

New England Fishery Management Council
Scallop PDT Meetings
Wednesday, September 1, 2021 & Thursday, September 2, 2021

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Agenda for September 1, 2021 – Subject to change as needed. Focus on survey results.

- 10:00 Introductions, summary of agenda, housekeeping
10:30 Review 2021 scallop survey results (VIMS, SMAST, CFF, ME DMR/UMaine, and NEFSC)
12:30 *Lunch*
1:00 Discuss survey results and data treatment
- HabCam data and methods for estimation
 - NLS-South: Slow growth (SH/MW) and dredge efficiency in high density areas, sensitivity analyses completed in the short reports (group discussion)
 - NGOM: Discuss SH/MW equations, and ME DMR/UMaine dredge efficiency in high density areas
 - Data agreement, combining survey estimates, modifications to SAMS areas needed?
- 2:45pm Identify next steps for September 2, 2021 meeting, including any homework assignments.
3pm Adjourn

Agenda for September 2, 2021 – Subject to change as needed. Focus on survey results

- 1:00 Review any follow-up analyses/homework/continue with Sept. 1 agenda (if needed)
1:30 Continue reviewing 2021 data and outlook for 2022
- Update on nematode and shell disease prevalence in Mid-Atlantic
 - Develop PDT input for 2022/2023 specifications
- 4:00 Recap: Additional analyses & modeling decisions; plan for next PDT meeting

Meeting Materials (subject to change/updates)

1. Meeting Agenda
2. Scallop survey results: Short reports (2a. VIMS, 2bi & 2bii. SMAST, 2c. CFF, 2d. ME DMR/UMaine, 2e. NEFSC)
3. Draft preliminary combined biomass estimates for 2021 (to be provided – will change)
4. Information on survey data treatment (also see short reports)
 - a. VIMS SH/MW Analysis for NLS survey areas
 - b. Recap of survey group call, August 18, 2021
5. LPUE and landings/price data by market grade

Presentations (DRAFT - will be updated as talks become available)

- P0. Council Staff Presentation
- P1. Scallop survey presentations – (VIMS, SMAST, CFF, ME DMR/UMaine, NEFSC)
- P2. Nematode and Shell Disease in the Mid-Atlantic (VIMS)

Background and Supporting Information (Available Online)

- B1. NEFMC to NEFSC re: Scallop Priorities
- B2. 2022/2023 Scallop RSA NOFO
- B3. PDT memo to SSC re: FW33 OFL and ABC
- B4. Projected Exploitable Biomass for FY 2021 from FW33
- B5. SARC 65 – Appendix 2: Shell Height/Meat Weight Equations
- B6. SARC 65 Assessment Summary Report
- B7. 2020 Management Track Assessment Documents
 - 1. Assessment Update
 - 2. Appendix I: CASA Updates
 - 3. Appendix II: SYM Updates
 - 4. Appendix III: Variable Selectivity SYM reference point model

List of Survey Groups and Presenters:

Survey Groups	Presenter
Coonamessett Farm Foundation (CFF)	Ms. Tasha O’Hara
Maine DMR/University of Maine (ME DMR/UMaine)	Ms. Amber Lisi
Northeast Fishery Science Center (NEFSC)	Dr. Dvora Hart
School for Marine Science and Technology (SMAST)	Mr. Kyle Cassidy
Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS)	Ms. Sally Roman