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Scientific and Statistical Committee Webinar

Date: Thursday, August 10, 2023
Time: 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Agenda

The Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) will meet to discuss:

- Review the information provided by the Council's Red Crab Plan Development Team and recommend the overfishing limits (OFLs) and acceptable biological catches (ABCs) for red crab for fishing years 2024-2027.
- Review draft analyses provided by Council contractors on recruitment assumptions used in stock projections for white hake and comment on their utility when modifying the rebuilding plan and setting specifications.
- Comment on the draft NOAA technical memorandum: *Technical Guidance for Estimating Status Determination Reference Points and their Proxies in Accordance with the National Standard 1 Guidelines*.
- Any other business, including brief updates on:
 - Identifying SSC members to serve as discussion leads for developing ABC recommendations.
 - Enhancing use of SSC sociocultural and economic expertise.
 - Planning the 8th meeting of the CCC Scientific Coordination Subcommittee.
 - Commenting on updating National Standards 4, 8, and 9 Guidelines.

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If you would like your written comments to be considered at this meeting, they must be received at the NEFMC office by 8 a.m. on **Tuesday, August 8, 2023**. Please address them to Council Chair

Eric Reid or Executive Director Tom Nies. Email submissions should be sent to comments@nefmc.org.

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Notice date: July 14, 2023

cc: SSC and Red Crab IPs