

NEW ENGLAND FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Herring Committee

I. STATUS

A. Meetings:

- February 10, 2016 the Herring Plan Development Team (PDT) met to review outcomes from the January 2016 Council meeting and develop work regarding tasks from the Herring Committee related to localized depletion, in support of Amendment 8 to the Atlantic Herring FMP.
- March 15, 2016, the Herring Advisory Panel (AP) met to discuss the Industry-Funded Monitoring Amendment (see separate status sheet) and provide input on the development of a public workshop on the MSE of ABC control rules.
- March 16, 2016, the Herring Committee met to review the AP recommendations, discuss all topics considered by the AP, and develop PDT tasks and recommendations for the Council.
- March 22, 2016, the Herring PDT met primarily to develop work regarding tasks from the Herring Committee related to localized depletion, in support of Amendment 8.
- March 29, the Herring AP met to develop recommendations for the Committee, primarily on a potential framework regarding Georges Bank haddock catch cap accountability measures and on localized depletion, in support of Amendment 8.
- March 30, 2016, the Committee met to review the AP recommendations and recommendations for the Council.

B. 2016-2018 Atlantic Herring Specifications: The formal submission to NMFS was on March 1, 2016, after comments on the preliminary submission were received February 11, 2016.

C. Industry Funded Monitoring Amendment (see Observer Committee report under Tab 15)

II. COUNCIL ACTION

- A. Consider the Committee recommendations regarding aspects of Amendment 8 that would address the goals related to localized depletion.
- B. Discuss plans for a public workshop on the MSE of ABC control rules.
- C. Consider the Committee recommendations regarding, and potentially initiate, a framework to consider revising the Georges Bank haddock catch cap accountability measures

III. INFORMATION

1. Staff Presentation – April 20, 2016
2. March 16, 2016 Herring Committee Meeting Summary
3. March 30, 2016 Herring Committee Meeting Summary
4. Amendment 8 Draft Action Plan, Version 3 – March 24, 2016
5. Herring PDT Memo on Localized Depletion – March 25, 2016
6. MSE Workshop Overview – April 8, 2016
7. Herring PDT Memo on Georges Bank haddock Accountability Measure - January 5, 2016
8. Correspondence