

<p><b>New England</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Heavy reliance on committees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Committees are comprised of council members and meet outside of full council meetings.</li> <li>• Committees review analysis, bring issues to the council and provide recommendations.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Plan Development Teams for each FMP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PDTs are comprised of council, science center, regional office staff and others as appropriate (state staff, academics, etc.); chaired by council staff</li> <li>• PDTs prepare NEPA documents.</li> <li>• Meetings are publically noticed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Pacific</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- All bodies (SSC, APs, SSC, Management Teams, etc.) meet immediately prior to or concurrent with the council.</li> <li>- Committees can include council and non-council members. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Administrative committees are council members only</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Management Team for each regulatory FMP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Management (plan) teams are chaired by state/federal agency staff (council staff are not members but facilitate the teams).</li> </ul> </li> <li>- The SSC typically addresses issues as a whole; though they can use sub-groups as necessary.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Mid-Atlantic</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Council meets twice a year with ASMFC</li> <li>- Heavy reliance on committees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Functional and species specific committees comprised of council members</li> <li>• Committees play important role in plan development and specifications; they develop recommendations that are brought to full council for vote.</li> <li>• Advisory Panels provide advice to committees.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Fishery Management Action Teams (FMATs) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FMATs are formed to work through specific amendments, which allows selection of specific expertise to support an action.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Western Pacific</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Council meets three times a year; advisory groups meet just prior to council meeting</li> <li>- Plan teams and advisory panels are aligned with archipelagos.</li> <li>- Plan teams are comprised of NMFS staff and local managers (council staff manage but are not members); teams monitor and develop recommendations; meetings are noticed in the Federal Register</li> <li>- Work with international management community (e.g. WCPFC)</li> <li>- Action teams <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Council, regional office and science center staffs coordinate prior to and after council meetings to distribute responsibilities and plan workloads.</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Regional Ecosystem Advisory Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordinating committees with federal, state, county, NGOs, business and others</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<p><b>Caribbean</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Work with international management community             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participate in formal meetings</li> <li>• Use specific committees and groups to advise on international issues</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Leverage some part time staff and consultants</li> <li>- Translate documents and meetings into Spanish</li> <li>- Plan teams work with regional office</li> <li>- Low comfort level with ACLs and specifying OFL/ABC with data limitations</li> </ul>	<p><b>North Pacific</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 6 FMPs; though management of scallop and salmon are delegated to the state of Alaska</li> <li>- Council, SSC, AP and committees meet together.             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plan teams are comprised of government and academics; plan teams have evolved into stock assessment teams.</li> <li>• Single advisory panel; ad-hoc committees of appointed stakeholders function like mini APs</li> </ul> </li> <li>- FMATs are action-planning teams to coordinate with NMFS, AK, AFSC, and NOAA GC.</li> </ul>
<p><b>South Atlantic</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Administer stock assessment program for the Southeast (SEDAR)</li> <li>- Full SSC meets prior to council             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Socioeconomic sub-panel of their SSC</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Reliance on committees             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Committees are comprised of council members and meet the first 4 days of council meetings.</li> <li>• Most council members attend committee meetings.</li> <li>• A lot of record building is done at committee level; committees bring their recommendations to full council.</li> </ul> </li> <li>-Interdisciplinary Plan Teams (IPTs)             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comprised of council, regional office, science center and GC staff to coordinate and develop documents and analyses</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	