

# Stellwagen Survey Data

October 1, 2019

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Committee Tasking:

*Closure to protect small scallops*

## **Motion 4: Smith/Patterson**

Task the PDT to develop a targeted closed areas for Stellwagen Bank corresponding to survey data for North Stellwagen and South Stellwagen Bank to protect small scallops. Closed area to remain for 2 years with possible adjustments made after year 1 to account for scallop movement.

*Rationale:* Closure is expected to improve YPR. Consider separate closures for these areas (north and south of 42° 20') that focus on protecting the small scallops. Focused closure would be intended retain some access on Stellwagen Bank to larger scallops.

*The motion carried on a show of hands (11/0/0).*





