Framework 28
Draft Management Measures

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Presentation Outline:

- Discussion Document on FW28 Management Measures (Doc #8)
- See also: Doc #7 Draft Action Plan and PDT meeting summaries

Goals for discussion:

1. Review Management Measures in FW28 and make recommendations on how to proceed with alternative development
    1. New ideas? Stop developing measures?

FW28 Measures

1. Specifications
2. Restrict possession of shell stock inshore of the DAS Demarcation Line north of 42° 20' N
3. ACL Flowchart Measures
    1. Spatial Management
    2. Management Uncertainty
4. Potential Modifications to CA I Access Areas Boundary

2. Possession of Shell Stock Inshore of DAS Demarcation Line

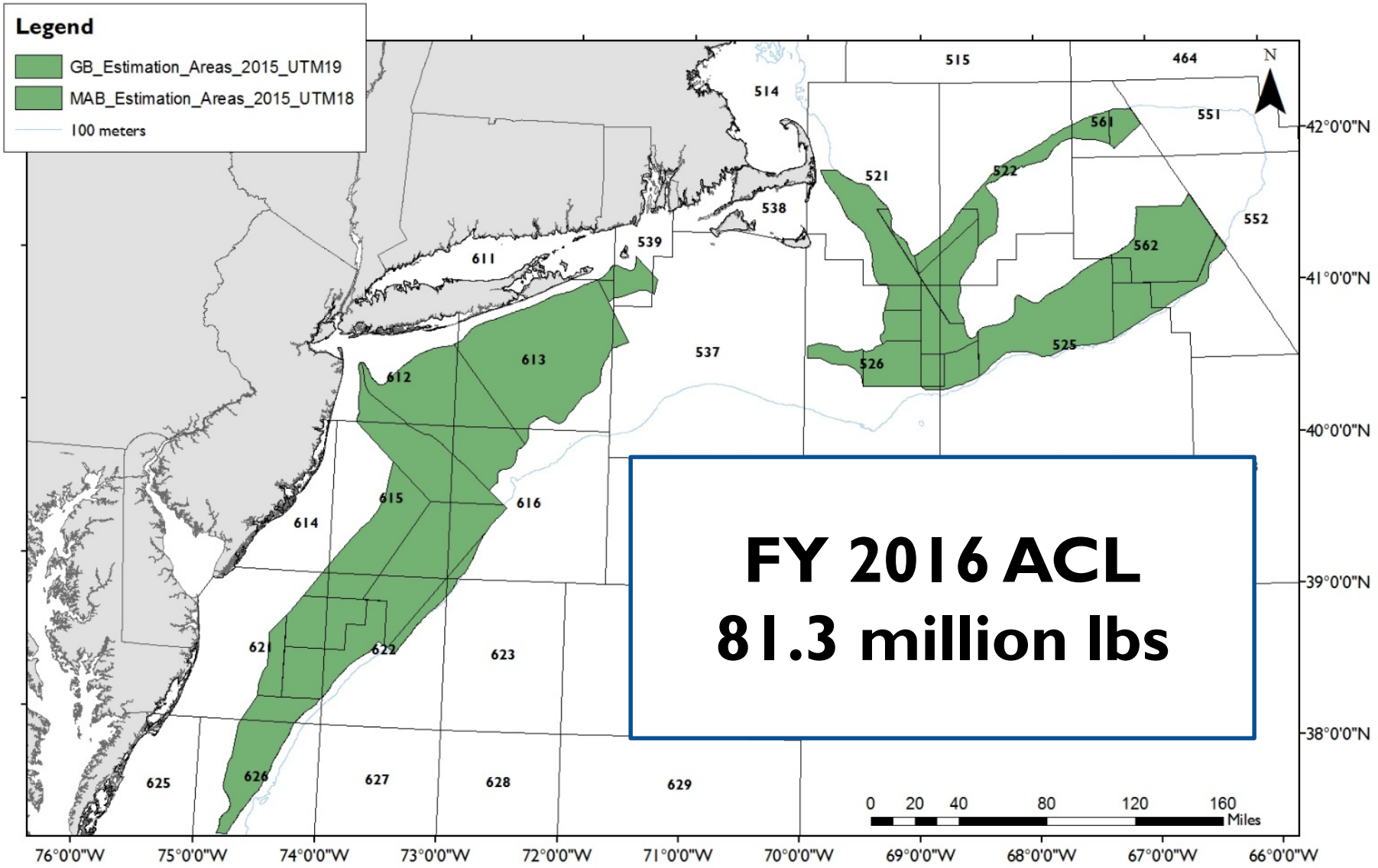
- *Doc. #8, Section 1*
- Council added priority in April
- Provision exists in the fishery south to 42°20′ N.
- Measure would expand this prohibition throughout the range of the fishery.
- Draft language modified from FW14

3. ACL Flowchart

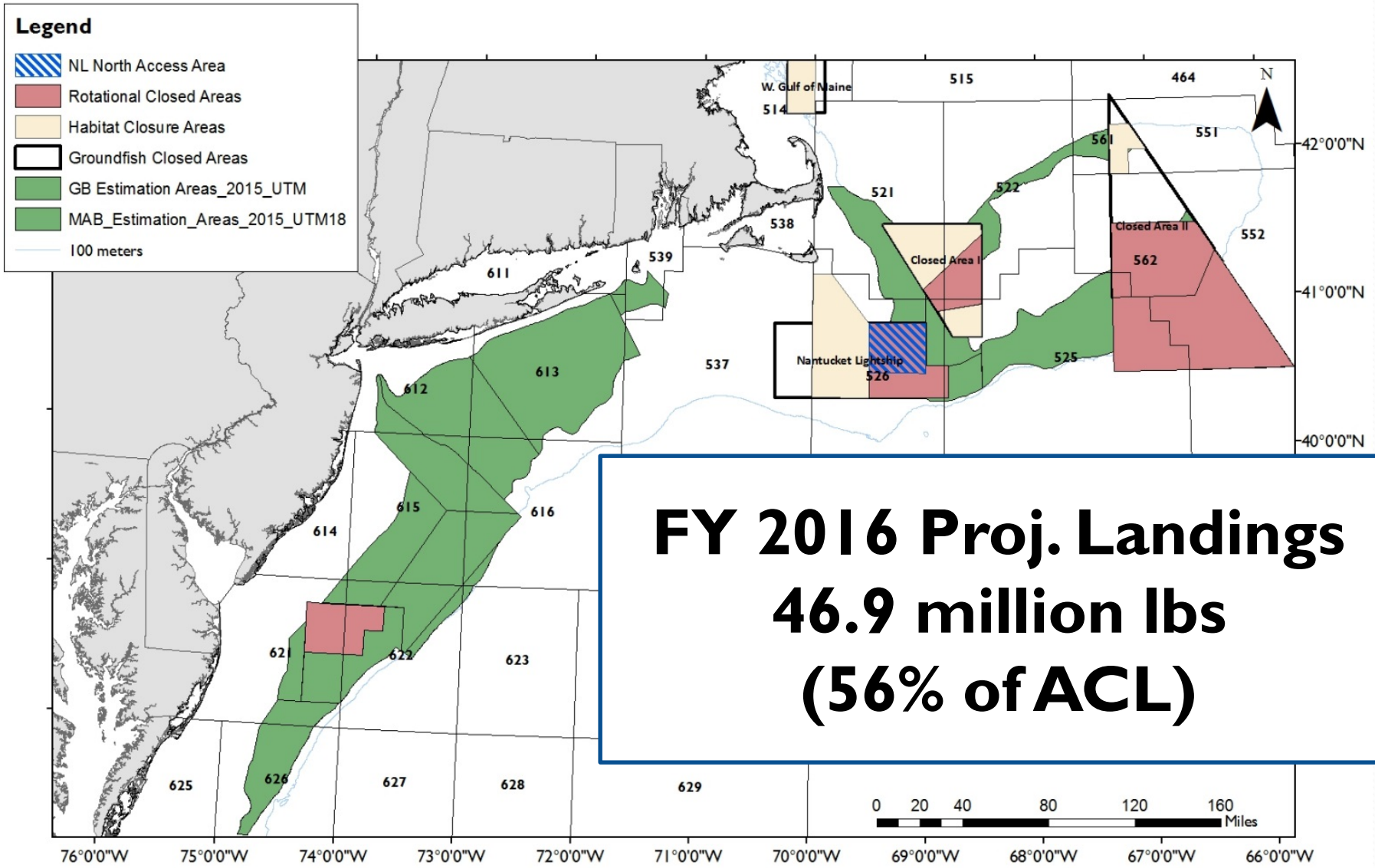
Document #8: Highlights

- Revised the Draft Problem Statements and Draft Objectives.
- Broken out Spatial Management and Management Uncertainty into two different alternatives.

- Looking for input on what to continue to develop in these alternatives.



FY 2016 ACL
81.3 million lbs



FY 2016 Proj. Landings
46.9 million lbs
(56% of ACL)

Status Quo
5.5% of Total Biomass
81.3 million lbs

"Spatial Management"
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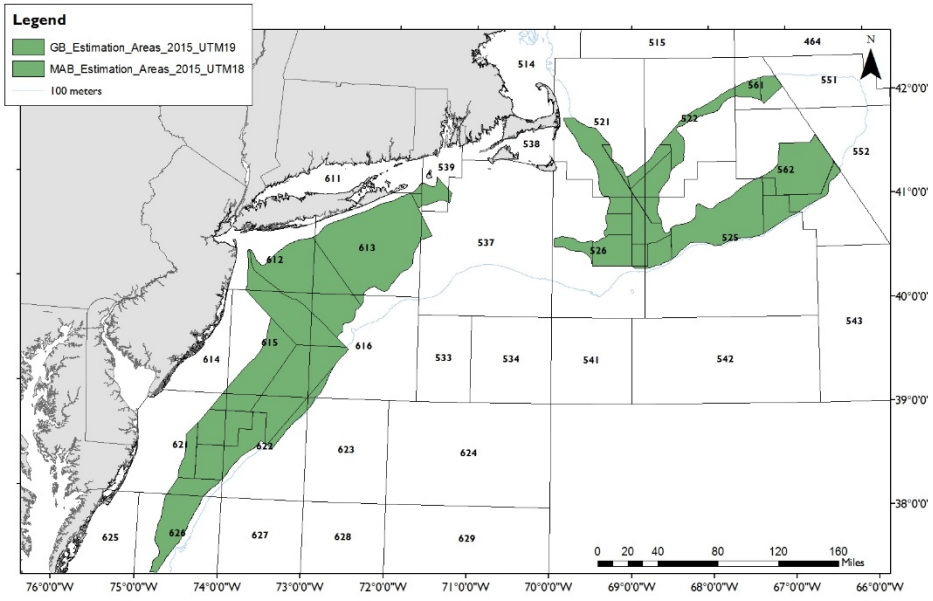

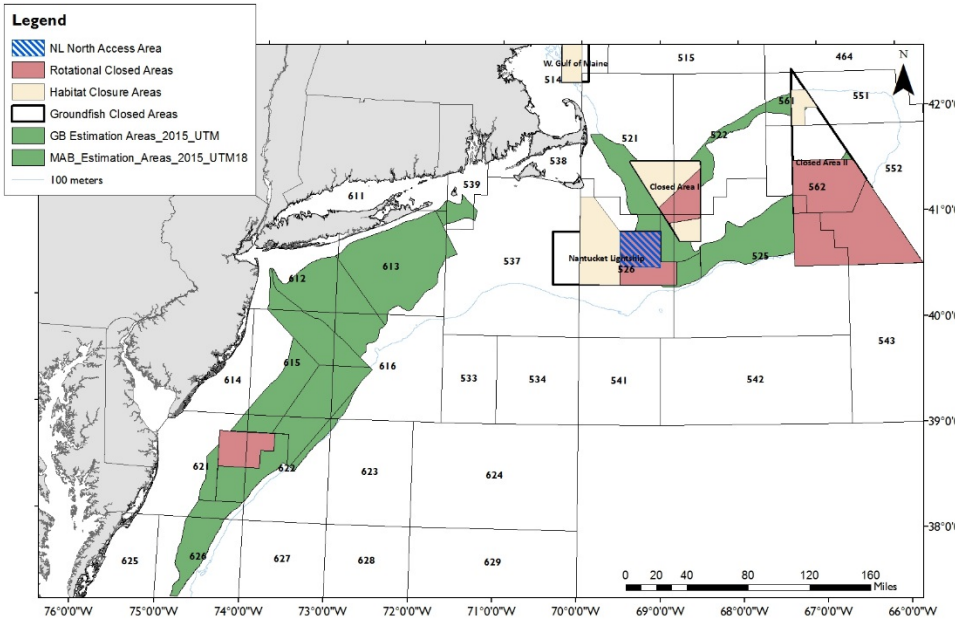

LACG Quota
~4.4 million lbs

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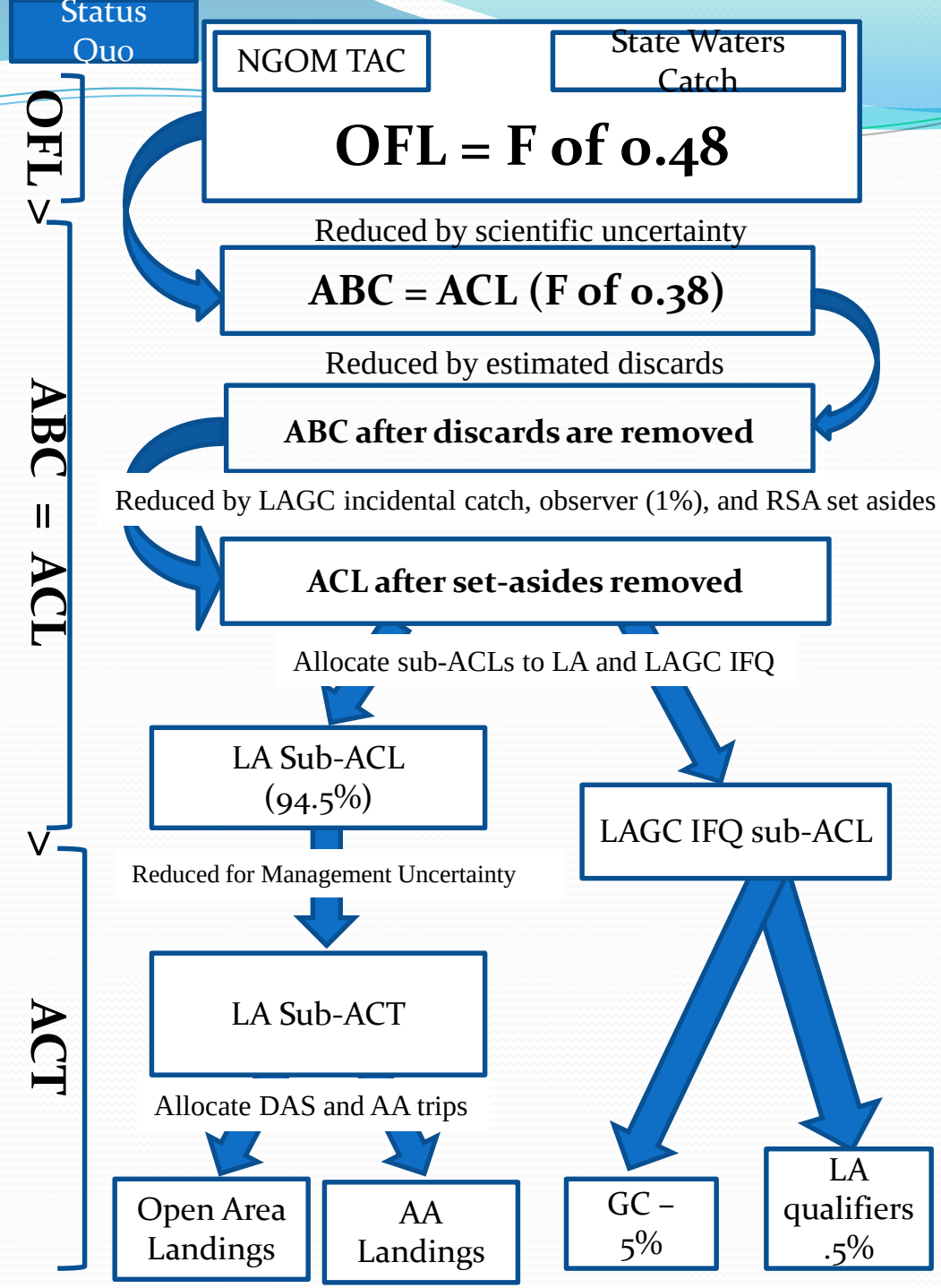
~2.5 million lbs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NGOM TAC
State Waters Catch
OFL = F of 0.48
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Reduced by scientific uncertainty
ABC = ACL (F of 0.38)
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ABC after discards are removed
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ACL after set-asides removed
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Allocate DAS and AA trips
Open Area Landings
AA Landings
GC – 5%
LA qualifiers .5%

Spatial Management

No change to current OFL/ABC/ACL process

Accountability Measures still trigger at ACL

OFL > ABC = ACL > ACT

NGOM TAC + State Waters Catch

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LA Sub-ACT (must be below overall limit of F=.34)

LAGC IFQ sub-ACL (5.5%)

For LAGC IFQ – Max. Allocation (Ceiling)
F=0.38 (ACL)
Or
F=0.34 (~90% of ACL)

Decision #2 (ceiling): Should IFQ max. allocation be = to the ACL or something less?

Decision #1: Should FY allocations be based on total biomass or projected landings for both LA and LAGC IFQ?

Spatial Mgmt

Ceiling – Not to exceed

Open Area DAS

Access Areas

LAGC IFQ 5%

LA Qualifiers%

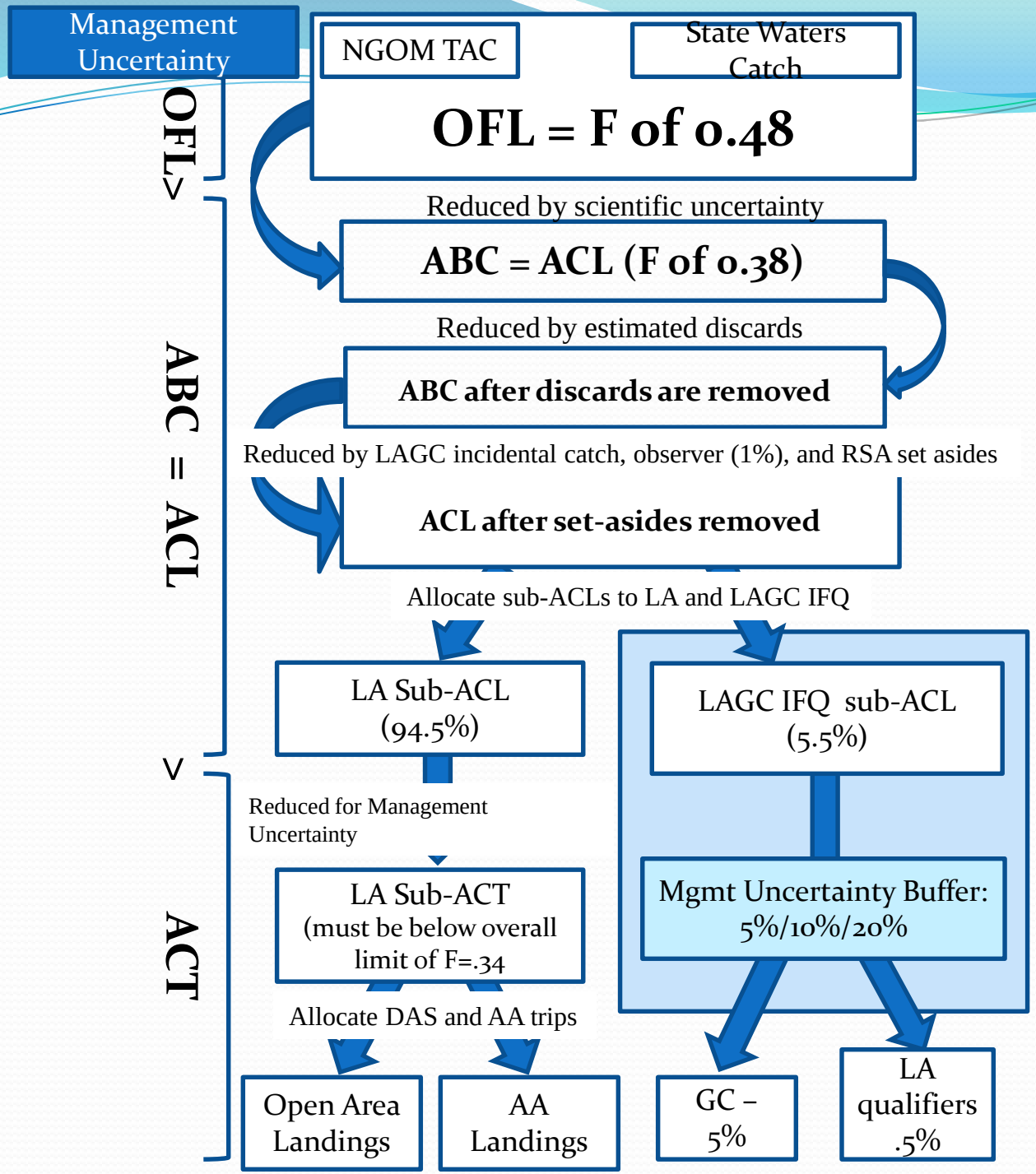
LA 94.5%

Minus set-aides, LAGC incidental catch

LAGC IFQ – 5.5%

Projected Landings
(Including set-asides, and LAGC incidental catch)

FY Allocations would be based on projected landings for LA and LAGC IFQ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Mgmt Uncertainty Buffer: 5%/10%/20%
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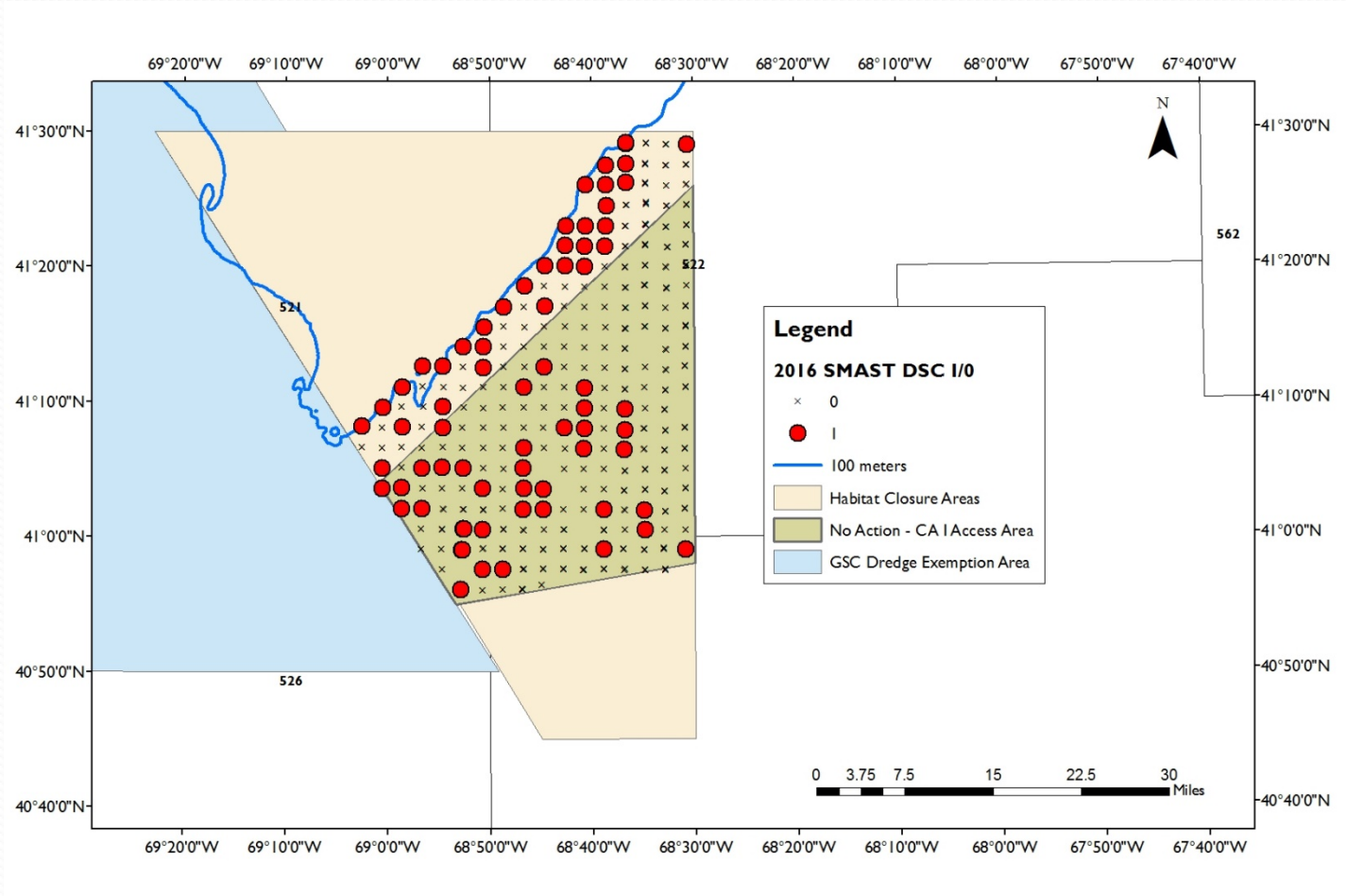
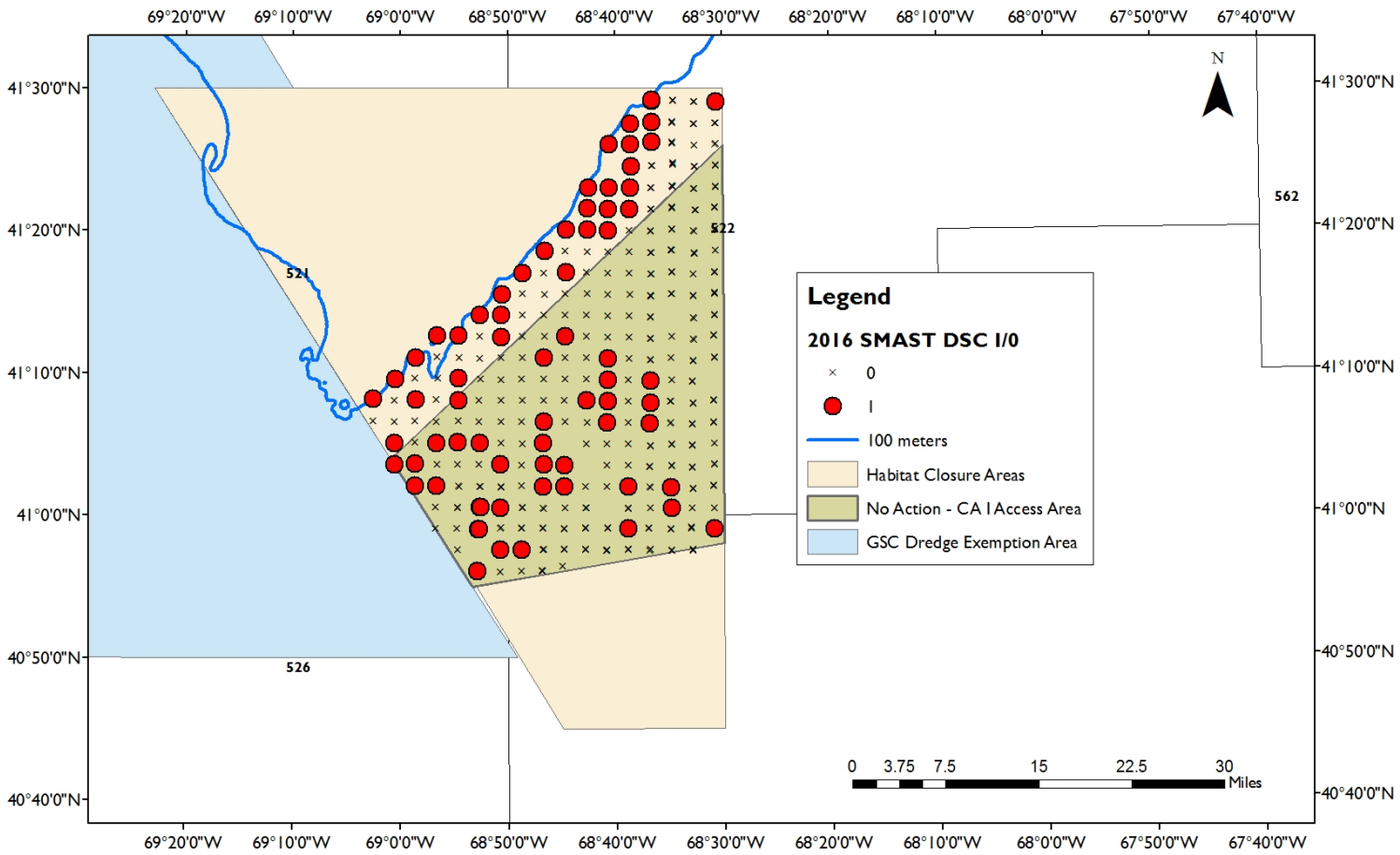
Comparison of Actual Landings

Actual Landings by LA and LAGC IFQ							
	LA		**LAGC IFQ**		**Combined Landings (LA and LAGC IFQ – No set-asides or LAGC incidental)**		
FY	**mt**	**%**	**%**	**mt**	**mt**	**% of Projected Landings**	**% of the ACL**
2011	**24,462**	**94.7%**	**5.3%**	**1,382**	**25,844**	**109%**	**95%**
2012	**23,711**	**94.0%**	**6.0%**	**1,511**	**25,222**	**97%**	**87%**
2013	**16,213**	**93.7%**	**6.3%**	**1,095**	**17,308**	**100%**	**82%**
2014	**12,948**	**93.2%**	**6.8%**	**948**	**13,895**	**80%**	**67%**
2015	**14,317**	**92.5%**	**7.5%**	**1,161**	**15,478**	**72%**	**61%**

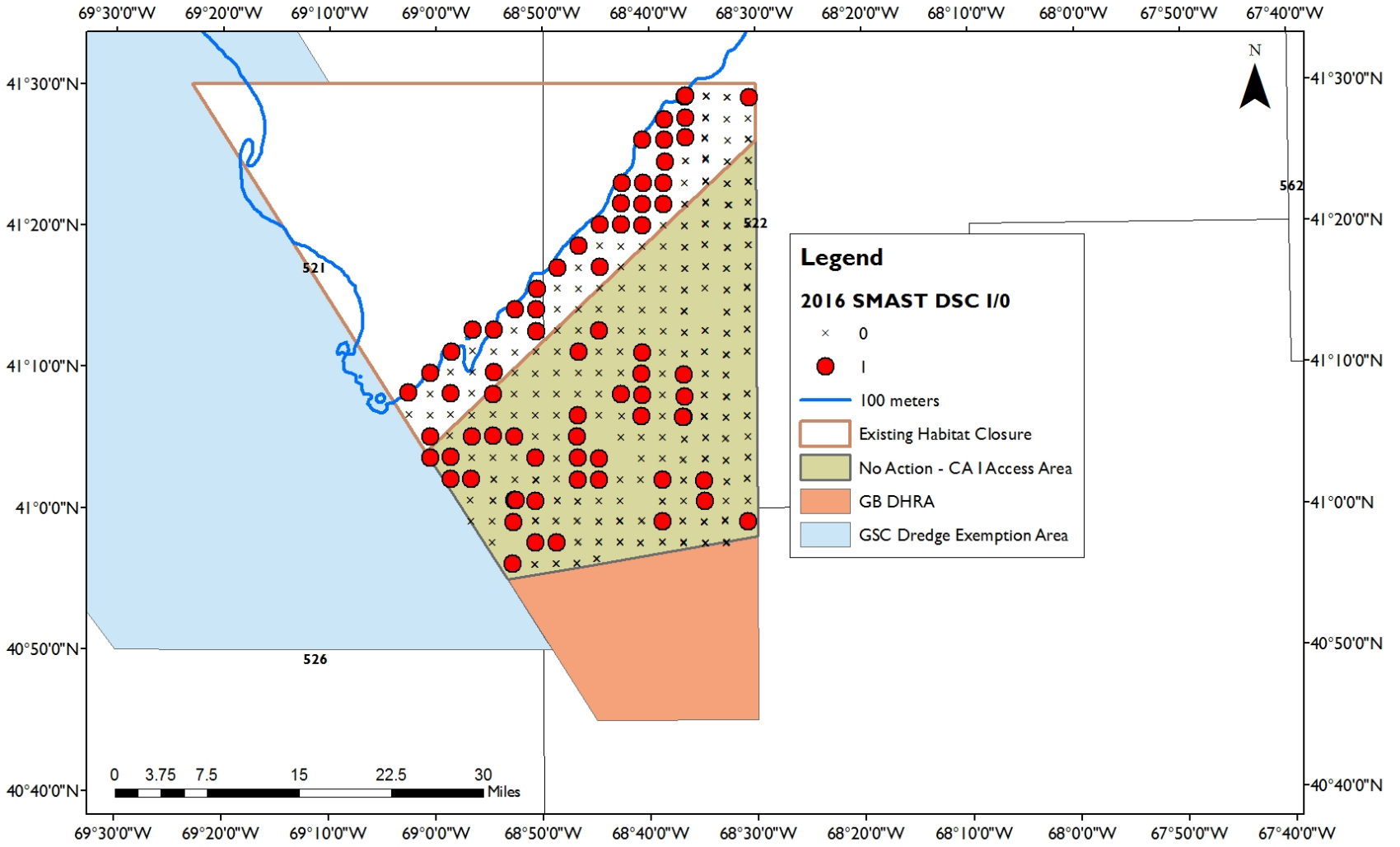
4. Potential Modifications to Closed Area I Scallop Access Areas



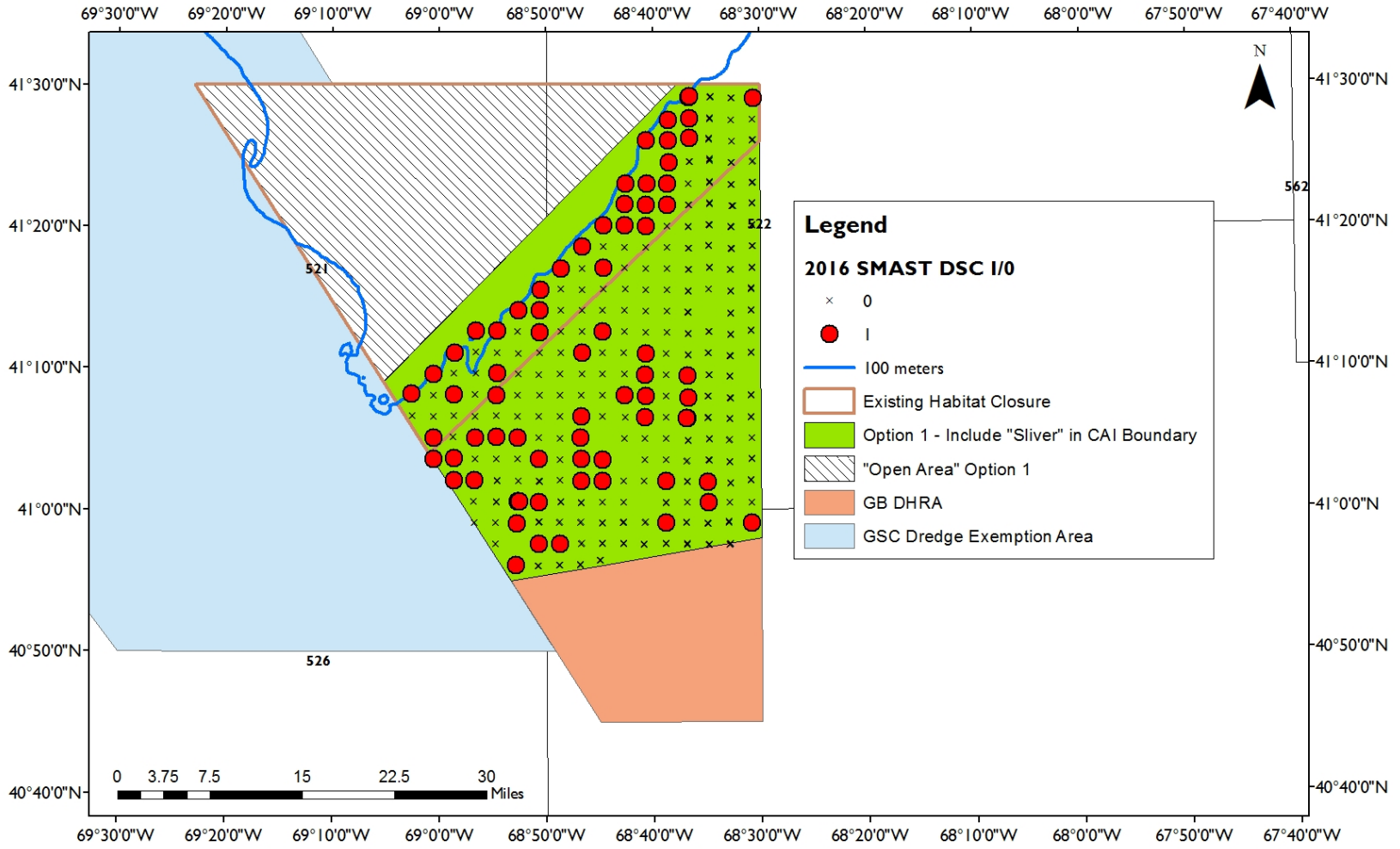
Current Status, No Action



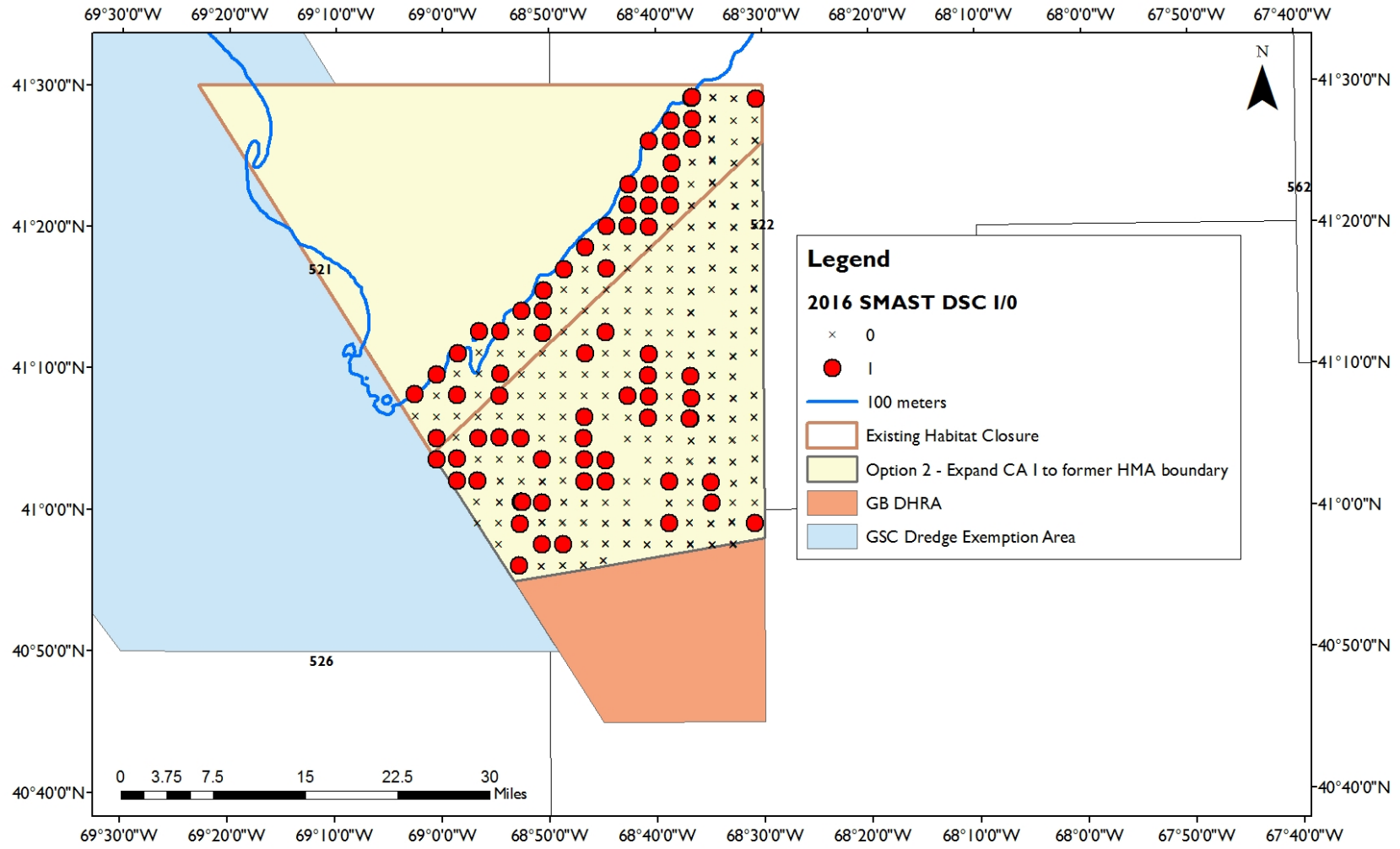
No Action, Council Preferred OHA2



Option 1, extend boundary to include "sliver"



Option 2, expand CA I AA to former HMA



Input on FW28 Measures

- ACL Flowchart Measures – How to proceed? New ideas?
  - Applying spatial management to specification setting
  - LAGC IFQ management uncertainty buffer
    - Can we refine the range of buffers (5%, 10%, 20%)?
- CAI I boundary approaches – other configurations?
  - 2 current option, plus status quo.