

2016 Scallop Work – December 2015 Council Meeting

Cmt ExCmt Council

Sea Scallops				
	<p><u>Prepare a specifications package to set FY 2017 and 2018 (2019 default) specifications (i.e. setting DAS, access area trips, Northern GOM TAC, limited access general category IFQ allocations, potential modification of scallop access area boundaries, etc.). Clarification needed on whether this is for one or two year specifications.</u></p>	✓	✓	✓
	<p>Framework action to modify scallop access areas to be consistent with OA2 revised areas (including CAI carry-over trips in the north); develop gear modifications to further protect small scallops (same as reactive windowpane flounder AM)</p>	✓	✓	✓
	<p>Host a workshop to address concerns raised about scallop fishing pressure in inshore areas.</p>	✓	✓	✓
	<p>Staff: Support technical and management reviews for <u>Research Set Aside program</u></p>	✓	✓	✓
	<p><i>Integrate findings from Sea Scallop Survey Methods Peer Review (process TBD)</i></p>	✓		
	<p>Staff: NMFS and PDT have new annual responsibilities related to estimating scallop and YT catch during the year (i.e. LA AM exception, re-evaluation of YT sub-ACL based on updated information).</p>	✓	✓	✓

SCALLOPS	2015		2016											2017				
	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
FW27	prep for final action	Submit decision draft, deem regs	Submit pre-sub doc	Submit final doc.		Implmt.												
EFH	finish FEIS		Submit pre-sub doc			Submit final doc?		Prop. rule?		Final rule?				Implmt. ?				
A19	Public hearings comment period	final action			Submit pre-sub draft	Submit final doc.	deem regs			Implmt.								
Workshop		plan mtg	data prep	workshop		report to council					any action for 2017 work priorities?							
RSA		review 2016 apps	2016 Mngt review				PDT/AP meeting to review 2014/15 results	Approve 2017 priorities, 5 year priorities						review 2017 apps	2017 Mngt review			PDT/AP meeting to review 2015/16 results
2017 specs *								initiate					final action	submit decision draft, deem regs	submit pre-subm draft	submit final doc.		Implmt.
LAGC IFQ 5-year review				Working Group development		Review plan w/ Council		Update Council with draft analyses						Present final to Council				

* Still uncertain if 2017 spec action is for one year or two fishing years; also not clear if 2017 specs will be a specifications package, or a framework.

Council included work on GB access areas, gear modifications to reduce impacts on small scallops, and ACL flowchart in 2016 priorities (FW28)

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