

**Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Monitoring Committee Meeting
Thursday, July 19, 2018, 8:30 AM-5:00 PM**



**Hyatt Place Inner Harbor, 511 South Central Avenue
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MEETING OBJECTIVES

- Review recent fishery performance and recommendations from the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC), staff, and Advisory Panels (APs).
- Recommend 2019 commercial and recreational Annual Catch Limits (ACLs) and Annual Catch Targets (ACTs) for summer flounder and black sea bass. Review, and, if appropriate, recommend changes to the previously implemented 2019 commercial and recreational ACLs and ACTs for scup. Review and recommend changes, if needed, to commercial management measures for all three species.
- Review 2018 black sea bass February recreational fishery data and recommend any changes to wave 1 management for 2019.
- Begin planning for 2019 recreational specifications and management responses to revised Marine Recreational Information Program (MRIP) estimates.

AGENDA

Times are approximate and may change based on pace of discussion. Public comment will be allowed at designated times, at the discretion of Council and Commission staff.

8:30 a.m.-9:30 a.m.	<p>Review of Collaborative Research Mesh Size Study for Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review study results and recommend management response as appropriate
9:30 a.m.-11:00 a.m.	<p>Summer Flounder Specifications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommend ACLs, ACTs, and commercial management measures for 2019
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.	<p>Update on Summer Flounder F-Based Recreational Management Contract</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on recreational Management Strategy Evaluation progress (J. McNamee)
12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.	Lunch
1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	<p>Scup Specifications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review implemented ACLs, ACTs, and commercial management measures for 2019; recommend changes as necessary • Review and make recommendations on Massachusetts mesh size exemption issue

2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.	Black Sea Bass Specifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommend ACLs, ACTs, and commercial management measures for 2019 • Review 2018 February recreational fishery data and recommend any changes to wave 1 management for 2019 • Update on Rhode Island study fleet project (J. McNamee)
4:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m.	Recreational Issues Framework/Addendum <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and provide feedback on initial analyses for summer flounder, scup, and black sea bass recreational framework/addendum
4:30 p.m.-5:00 p.m.	MRIP Data Revisions and 2019 Recreational Specifications <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review highlights of MRIP data revisions and identify next steps for 2019 recreational specifications process/other management responses
5:00 p.m.	Adjourn