

May 14-15, 2024
Mid-Atlantic SSC Meeting:

OTHER BUSINESS



TOPICS

1. Scientific Coordination Sub-Committee 8th National Workshop
2. Joint SSC Sub-Panel Review of the NEFSC Survey Mitigation Plans
3. Assessment Oversight Panel Recommendations for 2024 Spring Management Track Assessments
4. 2024 Stock Assessment Schedule – SSC needs
5. 2024 SSC Meeting Schedule and Anticipated Topics
6. Other



SCS 8th National Workshop - Update

- At Seaport Hotel in Boston, MA from August 26-28, 2024
 - Virtual component for plenary sessions
- 5 representatives from each Council (SSC and staff)
 - Plus, NMFS, Council members (NEFMC), invited speakers, and public
 - MAFMC reps: P. Rago, M. Wilberg, S. Gaichas (presenter) and G. DePiper
- Workshop Theme – Applying ABC control rules in a changing environment
- Mixture of round robin, keynote, and case study presentations and facilitated and breakout discussions

SCS 8th National Workshop - Update

- Continue to develop and finalize the agenda details and activities
 - Input on facilitated/breakout session topics/questions
- Discuss workshop and outcomes at September SSC meeting
 - Potentially a joint discussion with NEFMC SSC members

Joint SSC Sub-Panel Review of NEFSC Survey Mitigation Plans Relative to Offshore Wind

- Members

MAFMC SSC	NEFMC SSC	ASMFC ASC
Brian Rothschild	Adam Delargy	Jim Gartland
Rob Latour	Richard Merrick	Marcel Reichert
Wendy Gabriel (Chair)	Yong Chen	

- May 22-24 at NEFSC Lab in Narragansett, RI

- Surveys covered

S/F Bottom Trawl	N. Shrimp Trawl	Coastal Shark L.L.	eDNA (new)
Scallop Video/Dredge	GOM Bottom L.L.	COATSPAN	Video/Trap (new)
Clam Dredge	EcoMon/CPR	Hook & Line (new)	

- More info at: <https://www.mafmc.org/council-events/2024/may-22-24/offshore-wind-peer-review>

- Report out at September SSC meeting

Assessment Oversight Panel

- Recommendations for 2024 Management Track assessments
 - Black Sea Bass – Level 2
 - Atlantic Surfclam – Level 2
 - Golden Tilefish – Level 3
 - Butterfish – Level 2

2024 Stock Assessment Schedule – SSC needs

Assessment Type	Stocks/Topic	Dates	SSC Needs
Research Track	Applying State-Space Models	February 12-15, 2024	None
Research Track	Golden Tilefish	March 11-14, 2024	Mike Wilberg
Management Track	Cod (4 stocks), At. Herring	June 18-21, 2024	Alexei Sharov
	Surfclam, Black Sea Bass, Butterfish, Golden Tilefish#	June 24-28, 2024	Need chair Yan Jiao
TRAC	Cod, Haddock, Yellowtail	July	None
Management Track	Plaice, Halibut, Haddock, Pollock, Witch Flounder	September 16-19, 2024	Panelist
Research Track	Yellowtail Flounder	November 18-22, 2024	None

2024 SSC Meetings – Schedule and Topics

Meeting 3: July 23-25, 2024 at the Le Méridien, Philadelphia, PA

- Anticipated Topics:

Management track assessment results and OFL/ABC recommendations for: Surfclam, Butterfish, Black Sea Bass, Golden Tilefish
2025 specs for Blueline tilefish
2025 ABC reviews: Summer Flounder, Scup, Bluefish, Ocean Quahog
Recreational Measures Setting Framework – review and approve sub-group recommendations

Meeting 4: September 11-12, 2024 at the Hyatt Place, Baltimore, MD

- Anticipated Topics:

Offshore wind discussion / SSC Sub-Panel Review of Survey Mitigation Plans
Review of 2025-2029 research priorities document / IRA project proposals
Scientific Coordination Sub-Committee workshop (SCS8): initial overview of meeting outcomes (possible joint discussion with NEFMC SSC)
2025 ABC reviews: Atlantic Mackerel, Spiny Dogfish
NRCC Research Track Steering Committee - Overview