



Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Monitoring Committee Meeting

November 13-14, 2023

Loews Philadelphia Hotel
1200 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19107
Meeting Room: PSFS Room / 33rd Floor

Meeting Objectives

- Develop recommendations for 2024-2025 recreational management measures for summer flounder and scup, and 2024 recreational management measures for black sea bass.
- Review analyses of summer flounder commercial mesh regulations and exemptions, and provide recommendations for any changes.

Meeting Materials

- To be added

Agenda

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

Monday, November 13, 2023

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| 1:00 – 1:10 pm | Introductions and meeting objectives |
| 1:10 – 3:00 pm | Summer flounder minimum mesh regulations and exemptions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review staff and contractor analyses and industry feedback• Recommend any changes to summer flounder minimum mesh size regulations, Small Mesh Exemption Program, and/or flynet exemption |
| 3:00 – 3:10 pm | Break |
| 3:10 – 5:00 pm | 2024-2025 Summer flounder recreational measures <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review recent recreational fishery performance• Review Recreational Demand Model estimates of 2024-2025 harvest under 2023 measures and associated confidence interval• Determine percent change in harvest required under the Percent Change Approach |

- Recommend use of coastwide measures or conservation equivalency and associated measures (preferred or non-preferred coastwide measures; precautionary default measures)

Tuesday, November 14, 2023

9:00 – 11:00 am 2024-2025 Scup recreational measures

- Review recent recreational fishery performance
- Review Recreational Demand Model estimates of 2024-2025 harvest under 2023 measures and associated confidence interval
- Determine percent change in harvest required under the Percent Change Approach
- Recommend 2024-2025 federal waters recreational bag, size, and season limits, as well as considerations for adjustments to state measures, to achieve the percent change in harvest required

11:00 – 11:10 am Break

11:10 – 1:00 pm 2024 Black sea bass recreational measures

- Review recent recreational fishery performance
- Discuss considerations for use of Percent Change Approach for setting measures under a revised recreational harvest limit without an updated stock assessment
- Review Recreational Demand Model estimates of 2024 harvest under 2023 measures and associated confidence interval
- Determine percent change in harvest required under the Percent Change Approach
- Recommend use of coastwide measures or conservation equivalency and associated measures (preferred or non-preferred coastwide measures; precautionary default measures)