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Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office

Atlantic Large Whale Take Reduction Team Meeting

May 9-13, 2022

May TRT Meeting Goals

Phase 2: Complete the team's work on developing recommended measures for our Phase 2 process for risk reduction in mid-Atlantic lobster trap/pot, U.S. East Coast multispecies trap/pot, and gillnet fisheries coast-wide. These measures must be considered in the context of the Agency's overall coast-wide goal of approximately 90% risk reduction, as described in the agency's November 2021 webinar.

Phase 3 (preparation): Gauge conservation benefits from the Phase 1 rule and begin discussing the data and analyses needed to inform future Phase 3 discussions that will identify additional risk reduction measures in the Northeast lobster and Jonah crab fisheries to reach the coast-wide goal of 90% risk reduction.

Agenda Summary

Day 1: Monday, May 9 (1:00 pm - 5:45 pm)

Welcome, our meeting goals, recalibrating and reconnecting as a team, informational briefings and initial review of potential measures.

Day 2: Tuesday, May 10 (9:00 am - 6:30 pm)

Detailed discussion of potential Phase 2 measures for mid-Atlantic lobster trap/pot, U.S. East Coast multispecies trap/pot, and gillnet fisheries coast-wide; crafting collections of measures to run through the Decision Support Tool.

Day 3: Wednesday, May 11 (9:00 am – 6:00 pm)

In the morning, Phase 3 preparation: review conservation value of Phase 1 rule and consider data & analysis needed to develop Phase 3 recommendations. In the afternoon, reviewing input so far on Phase 2 measures and receiving DST run results.

Day 4: Thursday, May 12 (9:00 am - 5:45 pm)

Reviewing and refining draft Team Phase 2 document.

Day 5: Friday, May 13 (9:00 am - 12:30 pm)

Finalize Team Phase 2 document.

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| 12:45- 1 pm | Tech Check <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Team members join early for Zoom tech check and troubleshooting |
| 1-1:30 pm | Welcome and Getting Started <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome and meeting objectives - Agency• Agenda review and ground rules• Technology tips• Participant check-ins |
| 1:30-2:15 pm | Recalibrating and Reconnecting as a Team <p>Small group and plenary discussions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Why is this team’s work so challenging?• What can we do as individuals to overcome these challenges?• What has this team done well? What can we build off of? |
| 2:15-3:15 pm | Informational Briefings and Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none">• DST updates• Relevant research |
| 3:15-3:45 pm | Break |
| 3:45-5:15 pm | Initial Discussion: Understanding Conservation Benefits Tied to Different OTP and Gillnet Measures |
| 5:15-5:30 pm | Public Comment |
| 5:30-5:45 pm | Wrap-Up, Next Steps, and Adjourn |

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| 8:45-9 am | Tech Check |
| 9-9:15 am | Welcome and Review of Day <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Day Two approach and objectives• Brief opportunity for questions and observations from Team members from Day 1 |
| 9:15-10 am | Initial Plenary Discussion: OTP and Gillnet Measures <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Question 1: Among these measures, which of these do you think should be most seriously considered? Why?• Question 2: If this type of measure were to be included in an eventual collection of measures, what would be the smartest way to design it - i.e. how could it be done to maximize benefit to NARW and minimize impacts to fishermen? |
| 10-10:30 am | Break |
| 10:30 am-12:15 pm | Initial Cross-Caucus Discussion: OTP and Gillnet Measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• What are preferred measures and why?• What strategies could be employed to design these measures as wisely as possible? |
| 12:15-1:45 pm | Lunch/Break |
| 1:45-3:15 pm | Building Collections of Measures to Test in the DST Model (Plenary, then Caucus) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• In plenary: Brief opportunity for reflections from morning discussion• In caucus: Start considering possible collections of measures to model in the DST this week (modeling ≠ commitment) |
| 3:15-3:45 pm | Break |
| 3:45-4:15 pm | Caucus Report Back <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provide feedback on collections of measures to run through DST |
| 4:15-5:30 pm | Break |
| 5:30-6:00 pm | DST Group report back <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review and confirm collection of measures for modeling over the next 24 hours |
| 6:00-6:15 pm | Public Comment |
| 6:15-6:30 pm | Wrap-Up, Next Steps, and Adjourn |

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- 8:45-9 am** **Tech Check**
- 9-9:30 am** **Welcome and Review of Day**
 - Day Two approach and objectives
 - Brief opportunity for Team reflections
 - DST group check-in
- 9:30-10:45 am** **Preparing for Phase 3**
 - Review conservation value of Phase 1 rule and where risk remains
- 10:45-11 am** **Break**
- 11 am-12:30 pm** **Preparing for Phase 3**
 - Consider data and analysis needed to develop Phase 3 recommendations
- 12:30-2 pm** **Lunch**
- 2-2:30 pm** **Touch Base with DST Group**
 - Opportunity for DST group to pose clarifying modeling questions to Team
- 2:30-3:30 pm** **Phase 2 Measures - Emerging Team Perspectives**
 - Review what we have heard so far and clarify areas of convergence and divergence among the Team
- 3:30-4 pm** **Break**
- 4-4:15pm** **Public Comment**
- 4:15-5:45 pm** **DST Runs on Phase 2: Check-in/Refine the “Asks”**
 - DST shows (preliminary) results of runs requested on Tuesday regarding OTP and gillnet
- 5:45-6 pm** **Wrap-Up, Next Steps, and Adjourn**

Day 4: Thursday, May 12 (9:00 am - 5:45 pm)

Reviewing and refining draft Team Phase 2 document.

- 8:45-9 am Tech Check**
- 9-10:30 am Phase 2 Measures - Constructing a Team Document**
- Reviewing the outline of an emerging Team Phase 2 document
 - DST run updates (if any)
- 10:30-11 am Break**
- 11 am-12:30 pm Phase 2 Measures: Caucus Opportunity**
- Caucus meetings to review the emerging draft Team Phase 2 document
- 12:30-2 pm Lunch**
- 2-3:15 pm Phase 2 Measures: Caucus Report Outs and Begin Cross-Caucus Discussions**
- Report back from each caucus; opportunity for Q&A
 - Additional discussions on potential collections of measures
- 3:15-4:15 pm Break**
- 4:15-5:15 pm Phase 2 Measures: Reviewing a Revised Draft Team Phase 2 Document**
- 5:15-5:30 pm Public Comment**
- 5:30-5:45 pm Wrap-Up, Next Steps, and Adjourn**

Day 5: Friday, May 13 (9:00 am - 12:30 pm)

Finalizing Team Phase 2 document.

- 8:45-9 am Tech Check**
- 9 am-12 pm Finalize Phase 2 Measures:**
- Review and discuss near-final Team Phase 2 document; make a punch-list of revisions, as needed
 - Confirm Team message on OTP and gillnet measures
- 12-12:15 pm Public Comment**
- 12:15-12:30 pm Wrap-Up, Next Steps and Adjourn**

