

NEW ENGLAND FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Herring Committee

I. STATUS

A. Meetings:

- The Herring Committee has not met since the September 2010 Council meeting. Herring Committee meetings to continue work on the Amendment 5 alternatives are scheduled for November 30 and December 20, 2010 (December 20 joint with the Herring Advisory Panel), as well as January 20, 2011. The Council is scheduled to review/approve the range of alternatives for the Amendment 5 Draft Environmental Impact Statement at its January 2011 meeting.
- The Herring Plan Development Team (PDT) is working on analyses to support the development of alternatives related to catch monitoring and river herring bycatch in Amendment 5. The PDT is planning a meeting in early December to continue this work.

II. COUNCIL ACTION

- A. No action is required at this time.

III. INFORMATION

1. October 27, 2010 Correspondence from NOAA Fisheries regarding *Haddock Incidental Catch Cap and Potential Closure Affecting the Atlantic Herring Fishery*