

NEW ENGLAND FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC)

I. STATUS

A. Meetings

The SSC met on March 27 in Providence RI and completed the following tasks:

- Received an update on the Council's Risk Policy Working Group
- Discussed the role of social scientists on the SSC
- Discussed fishermen's participation on the SSC
- Reviewed the proposed NOAA stock assessment prioritization process
- Discussed the use of multiple models in assessment and catch advice
- Listened to a briefing on National Academy of Sciences report on stock rebuilding
- Discussed the SSC's work plan for 2014

II. COUNCIL ACTION

Consider SSC comments about the proposed NOAA stock assessment prioritization process

III. INFORMATION

1. April 17, 2014 memo from the SSC to Thomas Nies summarizing SSC recommendations from March 27 SSC meeting (*to be distributed*)

Background documents considered by the SSC are available from the Council's website at http://www.nefmc.org/tech/cte_mtg_docs/2014/140327/140327.html under the materials for the March 27, 2014 SSC meeting.