# MAFMC Motions Seaview Dolce, Galloway, NJ October 12-13, 2011

### **RSA**

On behalf of the RSA Committee, I Move to accept 3 science recommendations by staff and pass along to the Council for full action including:

- 1. Make SSC Chair and Vice-Chair members of the RSA Committee;
- 2. Develop protocol for technical review of RSA proposals and completed reports to be conducted by the SSC; and
- 3. Create SSC Research Subcommittee to oversee development of MAFMC Research Plan which outlines the research/information need along with a formal plan of action to address the needs identified based on prioritization developed jointly with RSA Committee.

Pate for Committee Motion carries unanimously

Move that the RSA Committee consider developing an Advisory Panel. Pate/deFur Motion carries unanimously

On behalf of the RSA Committee I move approve the following Administrative recommendations:

Administrative Recommendation 1 - request legal opinion from NOAA fisheries on the viability of the Council operating the RSA Program under no cost contractual agreements or similar mechanisms and that the current RSA program be moved from the current grants administration process to a contractual acquisition system. Pate for Committee

Motion carries unanimously

Administrative Recommendation 2 - RSA program should enter into a formal agreement with an outside entity to sell the entire RSA quota through an auction mechanism with consideration for adjustments for fish kept during the research.

Pate for Committee

Administrative Recommendation 3 - funds generated from sale at auction of RSA quota should be deposited in a RSA trust fund or similar mechanism to fund future RSA projects which may require hiatus of funding for some or all projects for 2-3 years to build up enough revenue to transition to new system, with the intent of maintaining funding for NEAMAP.

Pate for Committee

Move to table Recommendation 2 and Recommendation 3 Pate/Nolan Motion carries unanimously

#### Squid, Mackerel, Butterfish

Move to include the stock in the fishery alternative set (9) in the DEIS for public comments and hearings.

Berg for Committee (15/0/1)

Motion carries

Move to eliminate Alternative set 8 (mesh/gear requirements) from the Amendment. Berg for Committee (16/0/0)

Motion carries

Move to remove 7cM and 7cL and include the remaining alternative set 7 alternatives in the DEIS.

Berg for Committee (16/0/0)

Motion carries

Move to move the mortality cap motions forward for the inclusion in the DEIS.

Berg for committee (16/0/0)

Motion carries

Move to include alternative set 5 as written.

Berg for Committee (15/0/1)

Motion carries

Move that the Committee include alternative set 4 and incorporate 4b (new), 4c, and 4d. Berg for Committee (17/0/0)

Motion carries

Move that in Alternative set 3 recommend to delete 3d, 3f, 3g, 3j, 3k, 3l and forward the (remaining) Alternative set 3 alternatives in the public hearing document.

Berg for Committee (17/0/0)

Motion carries

Move to add Herring Amendment 5-2D to Amendment 14 document and adopt Herring Amendment 5's slippage definition.

Berg for Committee (17/0/0)

Motion carries

Move to include options to prohibit operational discards.

Berg for Committee (17/0/0)

Motion carries

Move to replace 2bM and 2bL with 2b and to remove 2c1 and 2d1. Add 2e per FMAT. Berg for Committee (17/0/0)

Motion carries

Moved that Alternative Set 1 is moved as is with all alternatives. Berg for Committee (18/0/0) Motion carries unanimously

Move to include Loligo fishing in Hotspot option (7i). defur/Pate (17/1/0)
Motion carries

Move to finalize and submit DEIS for public comment and hearings. Berg/Himchak (18/0/0)
Motion carries unanimously

#### Amendment 17 to the Summer Flounder, Scup, Black Sea Bass FMP

Move to forward with continued development of Amendment 17. Travelstead/Cole Motion approved by consent

## **Spiny Dogfish**

Move that the spiny dogfish ACL for 2012 be set at 44.868 million pounds, the ACT be set at 44.737 million pounds, and the TAL be set at 35.740 million pounds, and a commercial quota at 35.694 million pounds.

Himchak/Berg (16/0/2)

Motion carries

Move to amend the commercial quota to 30.0 million pounds. Travelstead/McMurray (7/11/0) Motion fails

Move to set the trip limit for spiny dogfish up to 4000 pounds for 2012 fishing year. Himchak/Berg (18/0/1) Motion carries

#### **Business Session**

Move to approve August 2011 minutes. Moved by consent.