

Framework 48 Update

New England Fishery Management
Council

November 14, 2012

GB YTF Allocations to the Scallop Fishery

- Three inter-related decisions for the Council
 - GB YTF ABC
 - GB YTF allocation method
 - Scallop FW 24 management alternatives
- Additional decision
 - GB access area timing

ABC

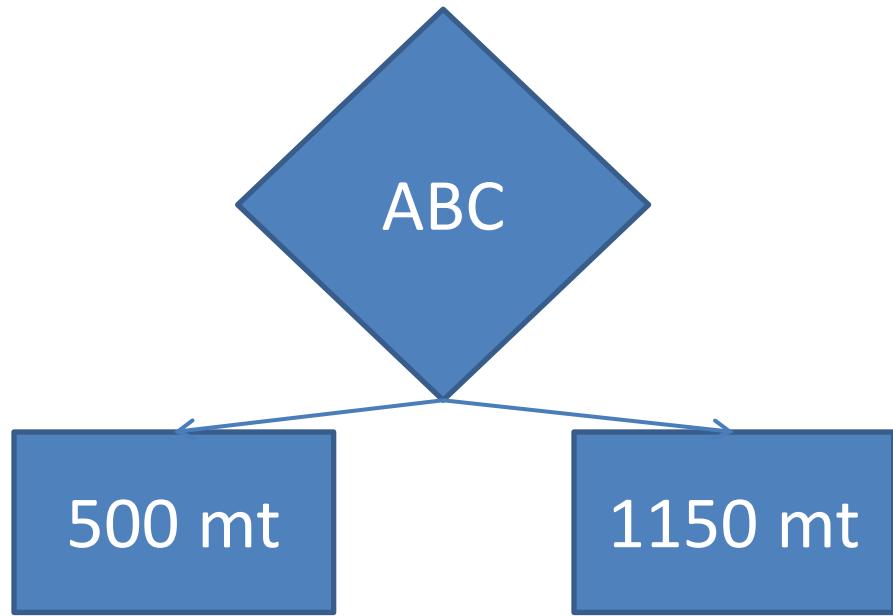
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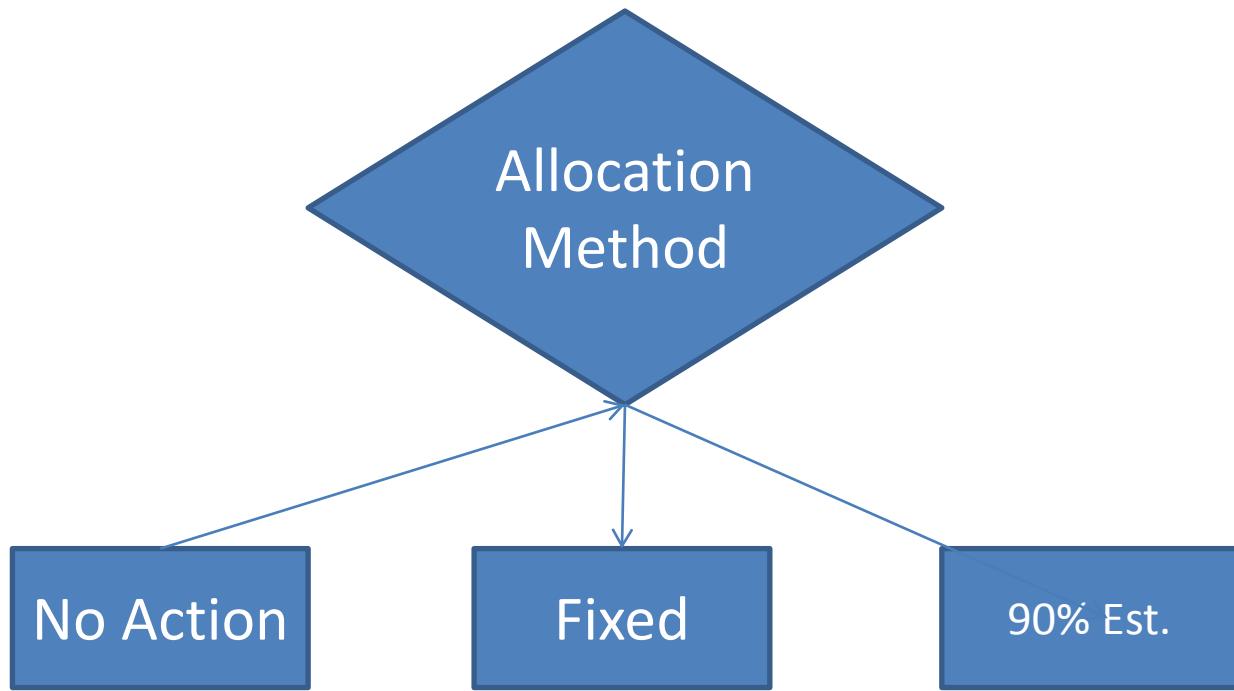
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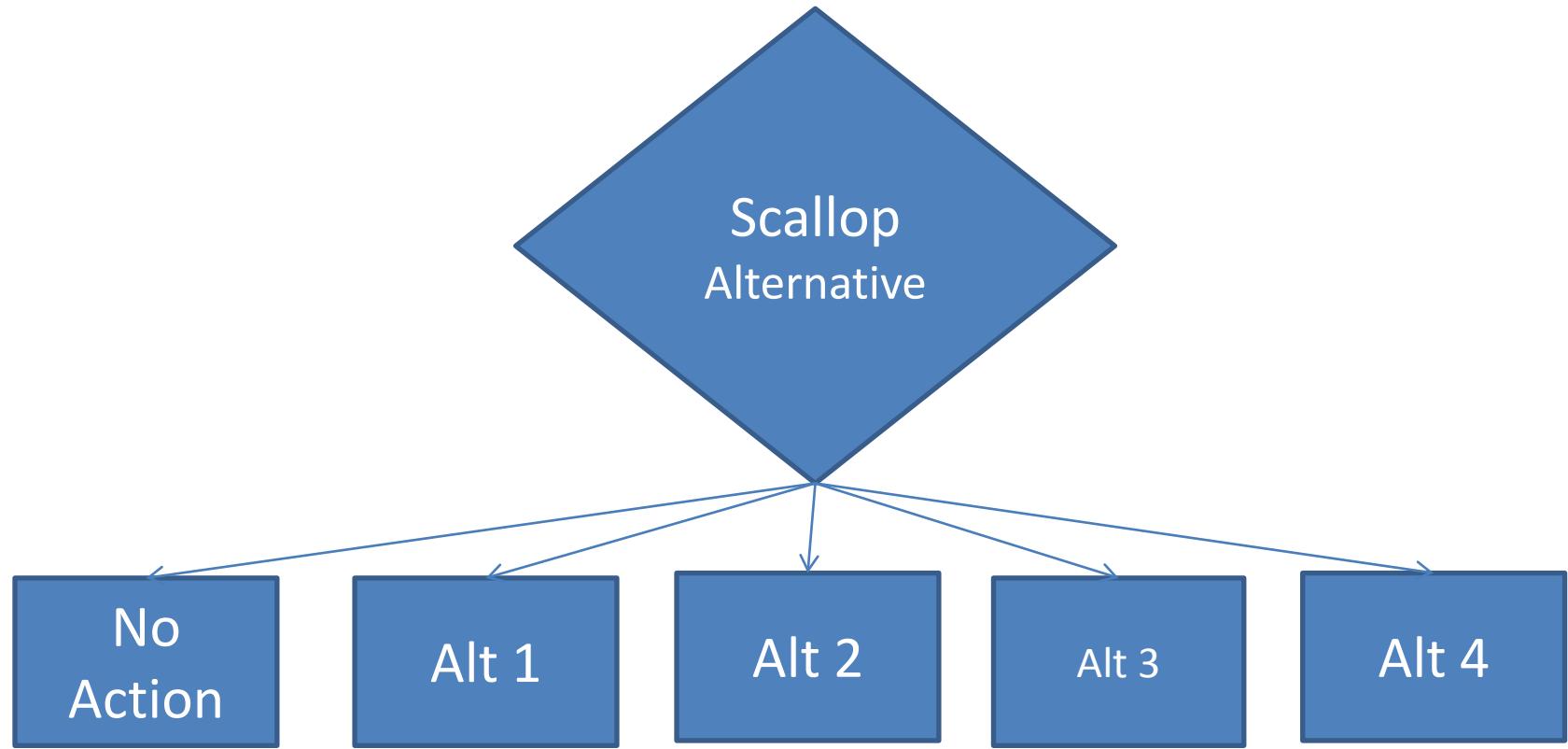
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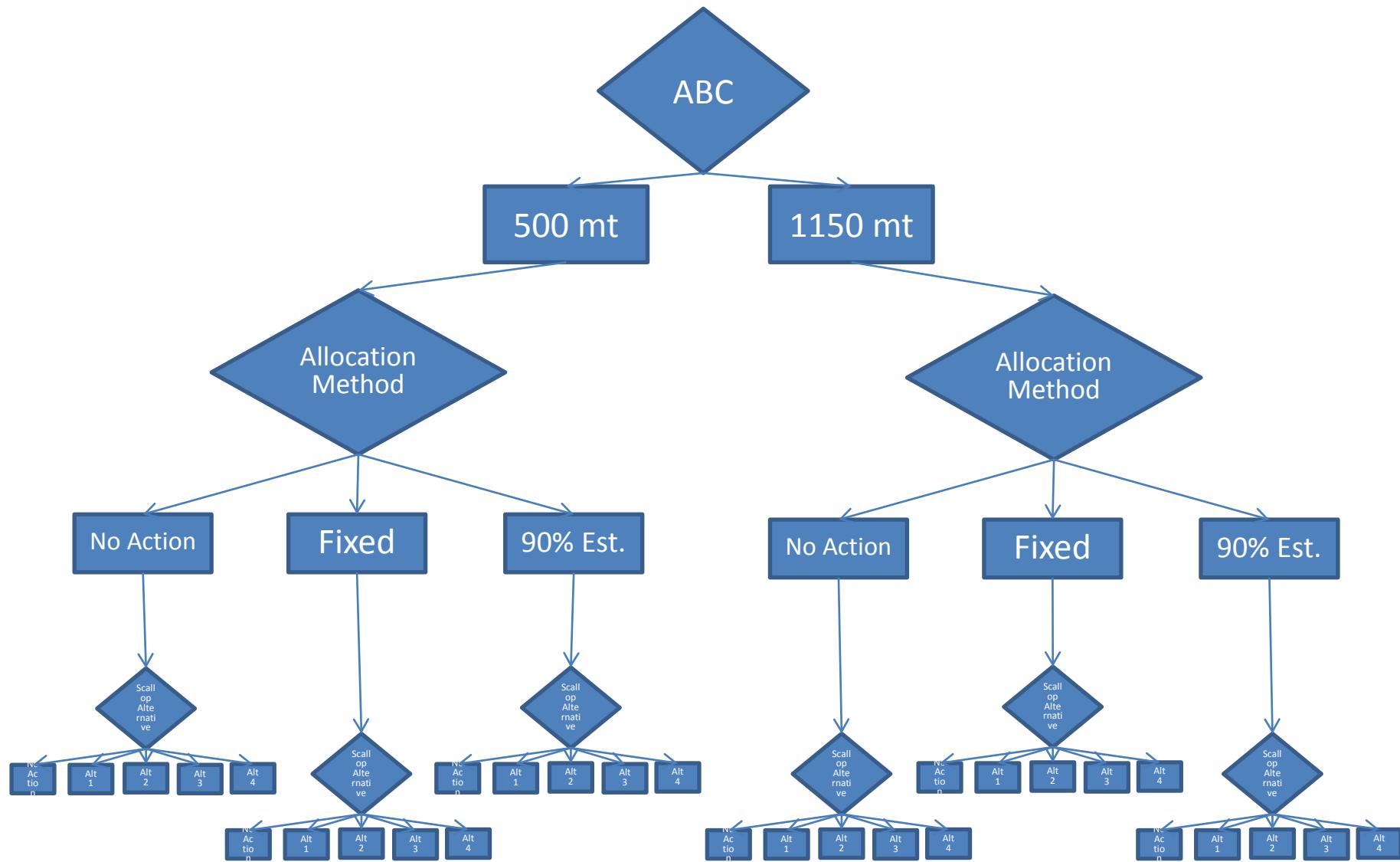
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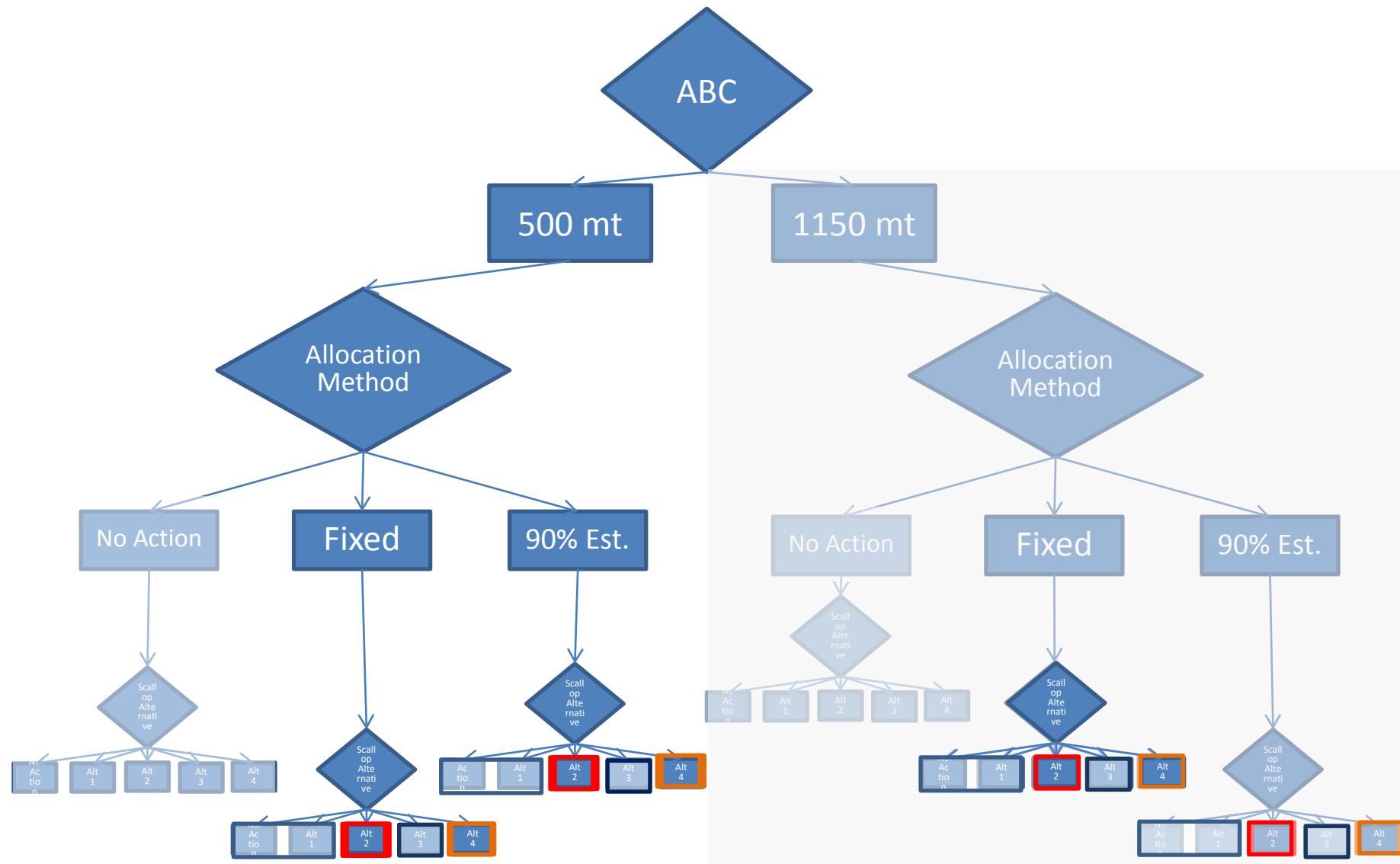
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Fixed vs. 90%

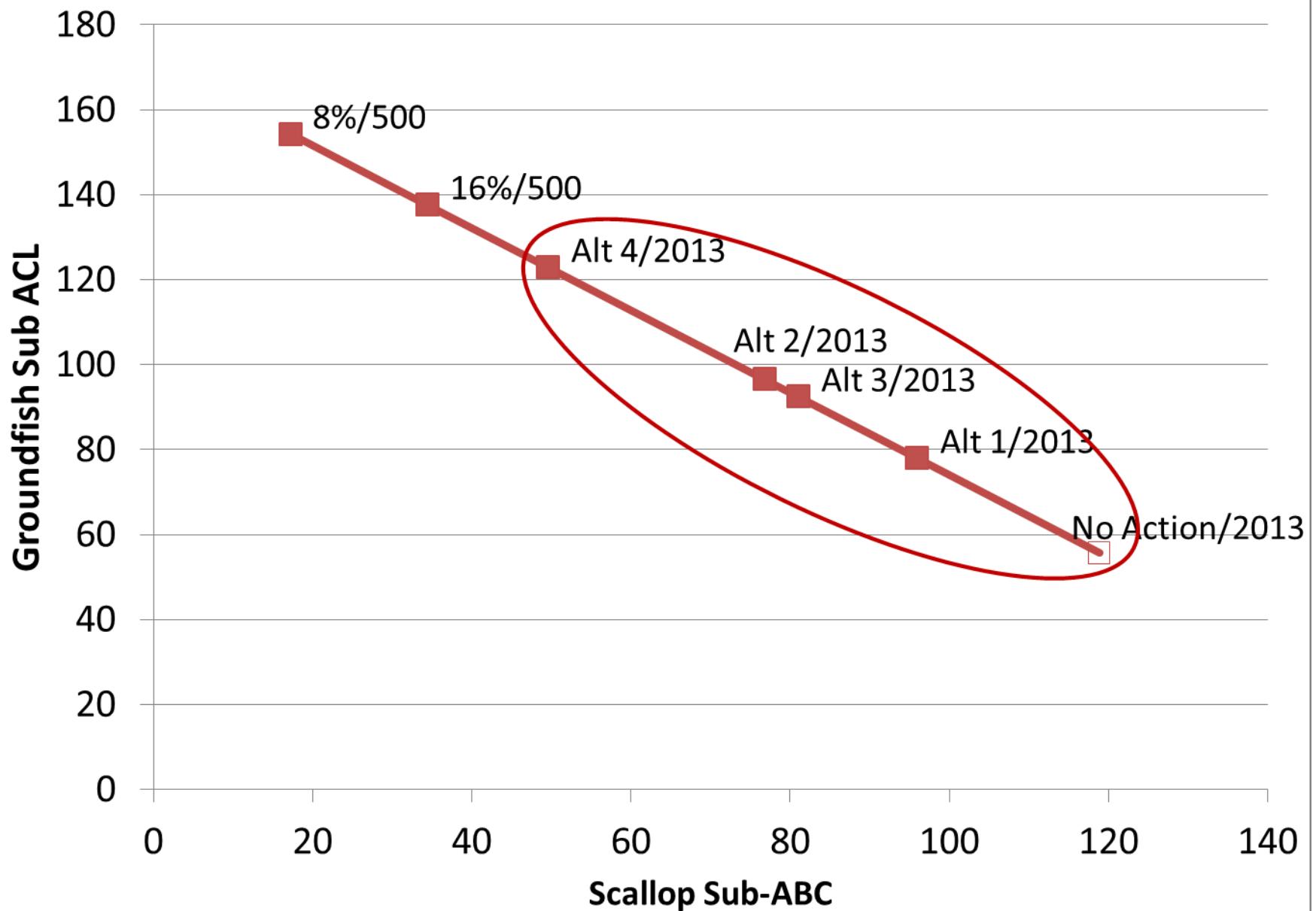
| Fixed | 90% |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pros<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Easy– Defined amount known in advance• Cons<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Ignores annual variation in fisheries– Is adjustment automatic? | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pros<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Closer match to planned fishing activity– Automatic adjustment• Cons<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Complicated– Mixed prediction performance |
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GB Yellowtail Flounder

| | Scallop FW 24 Management Alternative | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|--|--|
| | No Action | | Alt1 | | Alt2 | | Alt3 | | Alt4 | | | |
| | 2013 | 2014 | 2013 | 2014 | 2013 | 2014 | 2013 | 2014 | 2013 | 2014 | | |
| Expected scallop fishery catch | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| OLD | 222 | 318 | 175 | 202 | 134 | 210 | 145 | 173 | 73 | 97 | | |
| NEW | 132 | 186 | 106.6 | 123 | 85.3 | 127 | 90 | 108 | 55.1 | 71 | | |
| Scallop Sub-ABC at 90 percent of expected scallop fishery catch | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Old | 199.8 | 286.2 | 157.5 | 181.8 | 120.6 | 189 | 130.5 | 155.7 | 65.7 | 87.3 | | |
| NEW | 118.8 | 167.4 | 95.9 | 110.7 | 76.8 | 114.3 | 81 | 97.2 | 49.6 | 63.9 | | |

SNEMA Yellowtail Flounder

| | Scallop FW 24 Management Alternative | | | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|--|--|
| | No Action | | Alt1 | | Alt2 | | Alt3 | | Alt4 | | | |
| | 2013 | 2014 | 2013 | 2014 | 2013 | 2014 | 2013 | 2014 | 2013 | 2014 | | |
| Expected scallop fishery catch | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| OLD | 39 | 39 | 28 | 38 | 33 | 38 | 28 | 38 | 32 | 39 | | |
| NEW | 66 | 68 | 62 | 72 | 66 | 72 | 62 | 72 | 66 | 73 | | |
| Scallop Sub-ABC at 90 percent of expected scallop fishery catch | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| OLD | 35.1 | 35.1 | 25.2 | 34.2 | 29.7 | 34.2 | 25.2 | 34.2 | 28.8 | 35.1 | | |
| NEW | 59.4 | 61.2 | 55.8 | 64.8 | 59.4 | 64.8 | 55.8 | 64.8 | 59.4 | 65.7 | | |



Groundfish Fishery Impacts

- Complicated by unknown GOM and GB cod TACs, low EGB cod US/CA TAC
- Analyzed for three GB YTF groundfish sub-ACLs:
 - 100 mt
 - 225 mt
 - 350 mt

Groundfish Fishery Impacts

- Gross revenues on groundfish trips will decline due to expected low cod quotas
- Gross revenues at mid-GB YTF value (225 mt) are 40 pct higher than at low value (100mt)
- At some point near the high value, GB and EGB cod become constraining and more GB YTF does not increase revenue

Scallop Fishery Impacts

- Fixed Percentage Options
 - Allocations well below expected catch
 - Analysis assumes alternative modified to reduce GB YTF bycatch
 - Likelihood that AM would be triggered
- 90% of Estimated Catch Option
 - Allocations closer to expected catch
 - Effects on 2014 due to AM

Fixed Percentage Options

| Values | Scenario | 2013 | 2014 |
|----------------------|----------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Mod. | ALT2 | CAII Closed | Closed (AM) |
| | ALT4 | CAII Closed | Closed (AM) |
| Sub-ACL | 8% | 16.7 | |
| | 16% | 33.4 | |
| AM Trigger Potential | 8% | High | High |
| | 16% | Reduced risk but possible | Reduced risk but possible |

Fixed Percentage Options

| | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| | ALT2 | 38.2 | 38.8 | 77.0 |
| Total landings (mill.lb) | ALT4 | 36.2 | 38.0 | 74.2 |
| Landings after closures (mill.lb) | ALT2 | 35.85 | 37.18 | 73.0 |
| | ALT4 | 35.30 | 37.23 | 72.5 |
| Present value of Scallop revenue | ALT2 | 382.0 | 373.6 | 755.5 |
| | ALT4 | 362.8 | 366.0 | 728.8 |
| PV of Revenue after closures | ALT2 | 358.4 | 357.4 | 715.7 |
| | ALT4 | 353.8 | 358.5 | 712.3 |

90% Option

| | Values | Scenario | 2014 |
|-----------------------------|--------|----------|---------------------|
| Possible Impacts | | ALT2 | CAll closed (AM) |
| | | ALT4 | CAll closed (AM) |
| AM Trigger Potential | | ALT2 | Medium risk |
| | | ALT4 | Medium risk |

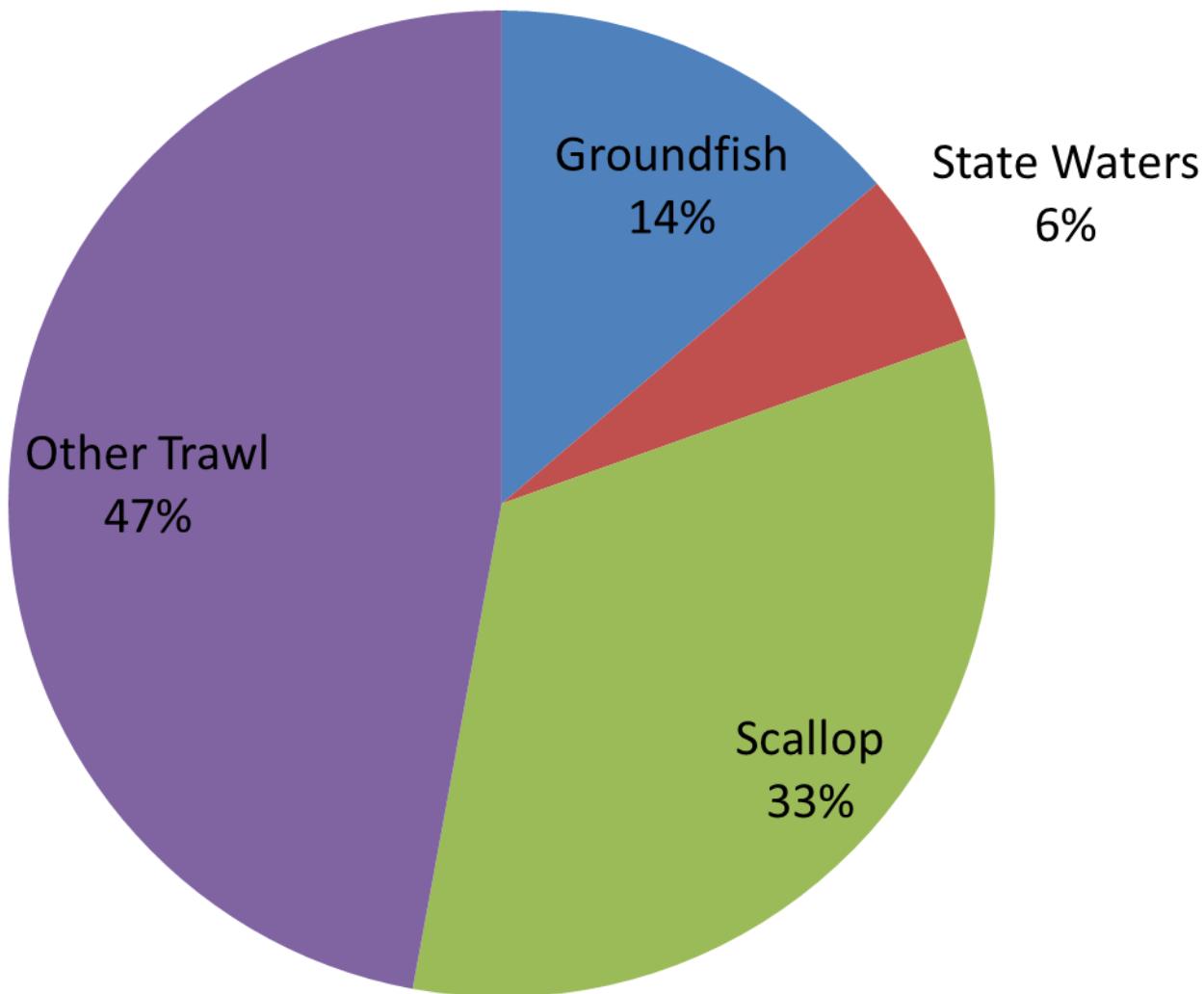
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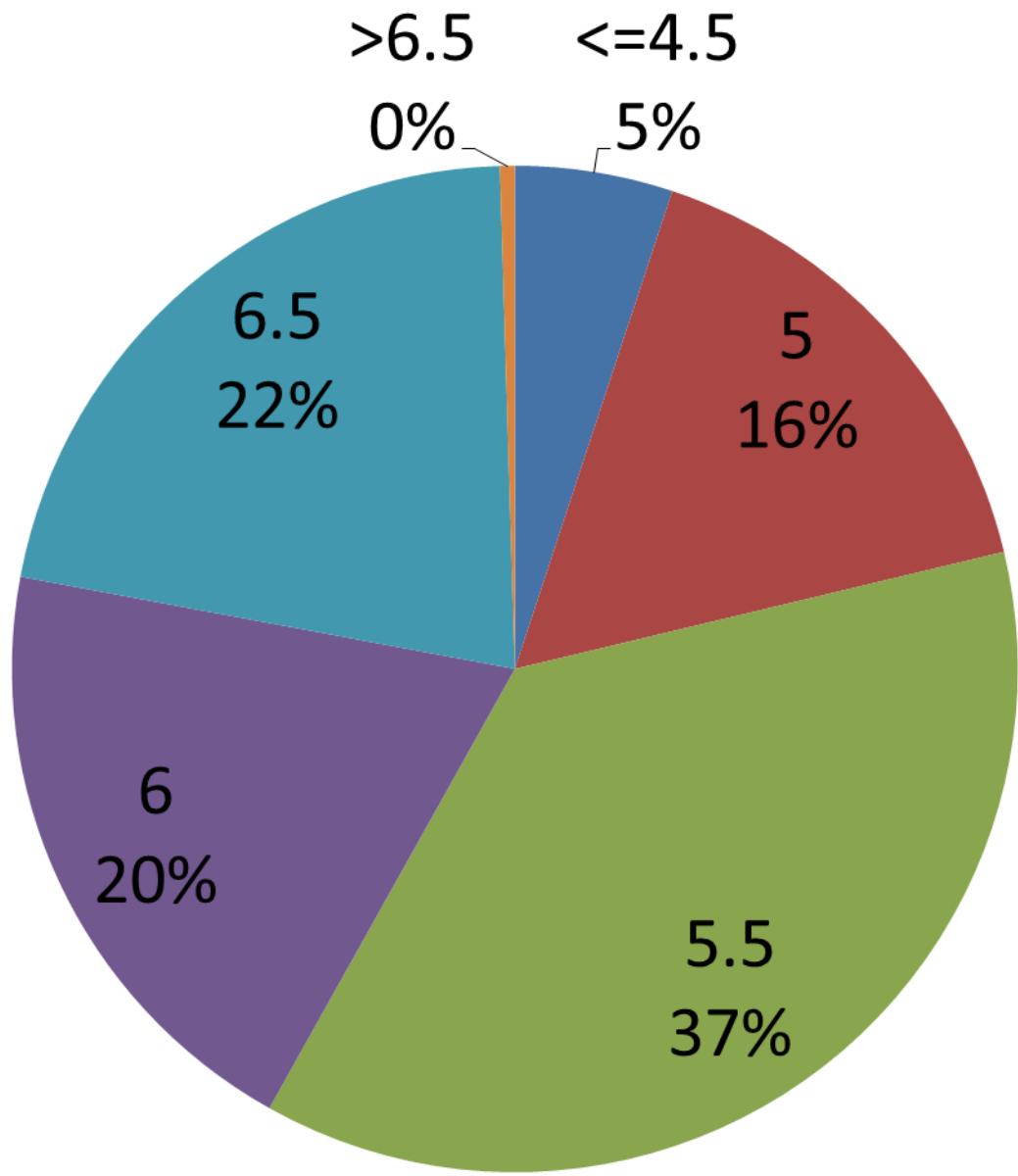
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|-----------------------------------|------|-------|
| Total landings (mill.lb) | ALT2 | 38.8 |
| | ALT4 | 38.0 |
| Decline in landings (mill.lb) | ALT2 | 1.635 |
| | ALT4 | 0.756 |
| Landings after closures (mill.lb) | ALT2 | 37.18 |
| | ALT4 | 37.23 |
| Present value of Scallop revenue | ALT2 | 373.6 |
| | ALT4 | 366.0 |
| PV of Revenue after closures | ALT2 | 357.4 |
| | ALT4 | 358.5 |

YTF Groundfish Allocation Decisions

- US/CA TACs
- Scallop fishery GB YTF allocation method
- Scallop fishery SNEMA YTF allocation method
- Scallop fishery SNEMA WINP sub-ACL

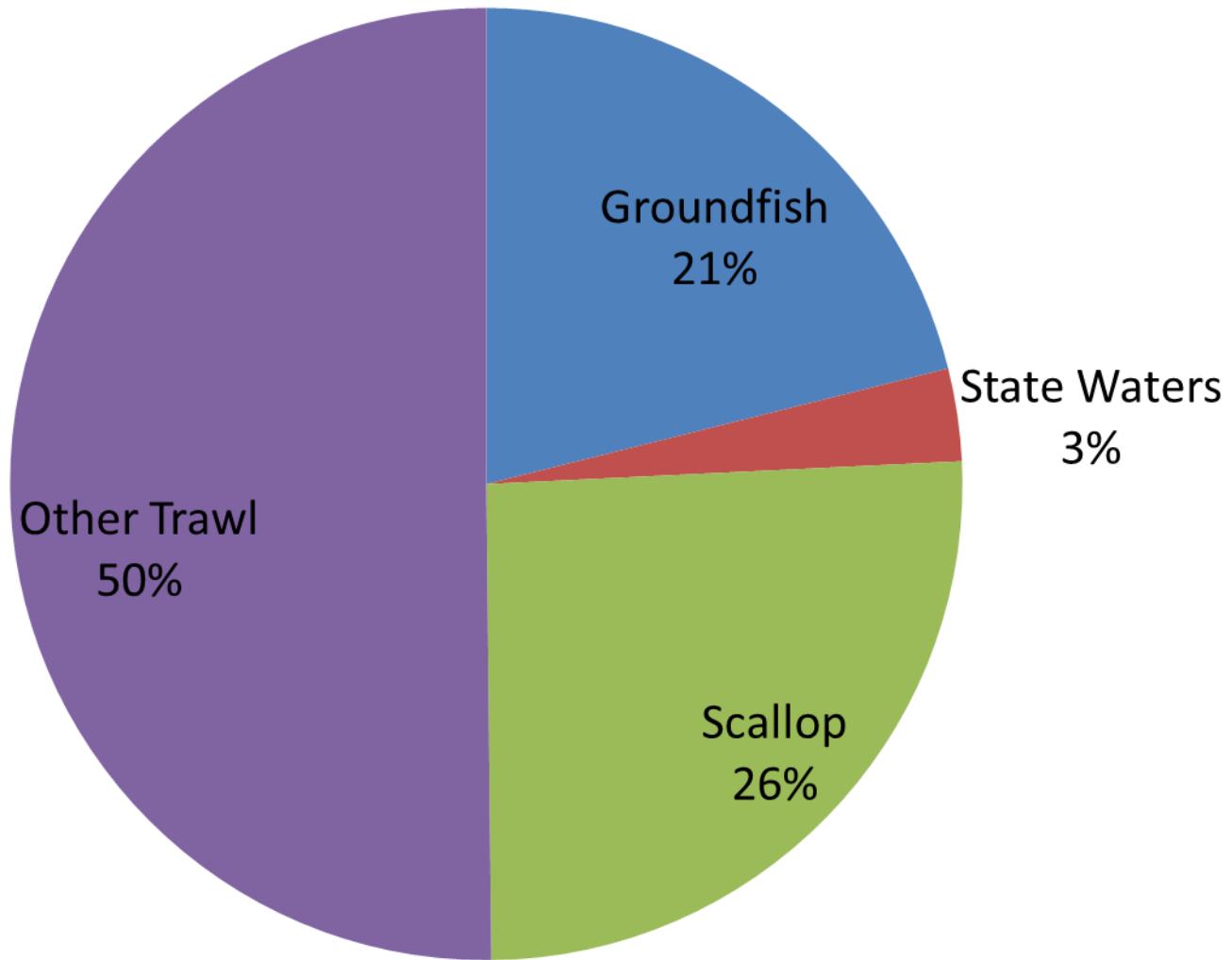
FY 2010 SNEMA Windowpane Catches

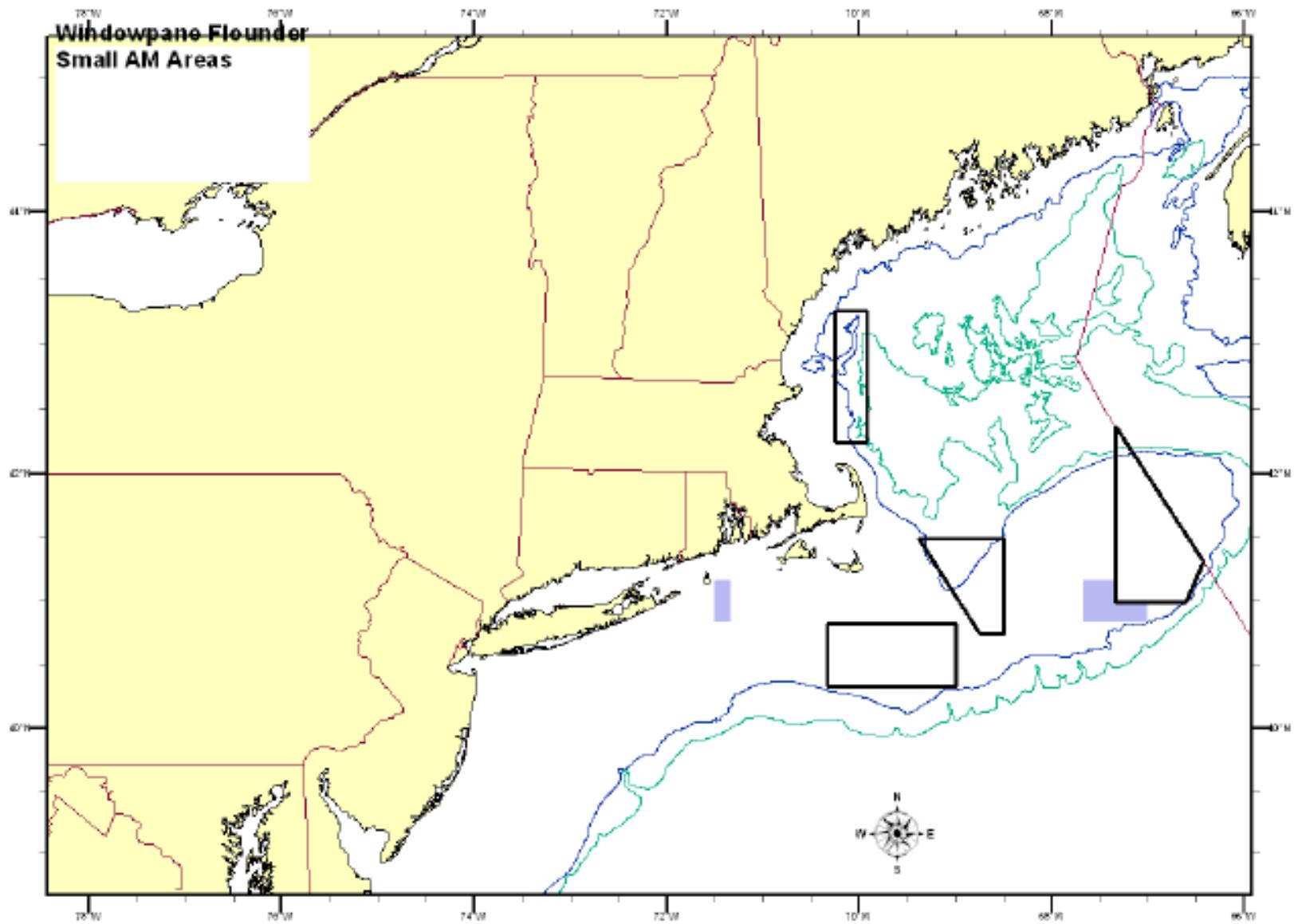


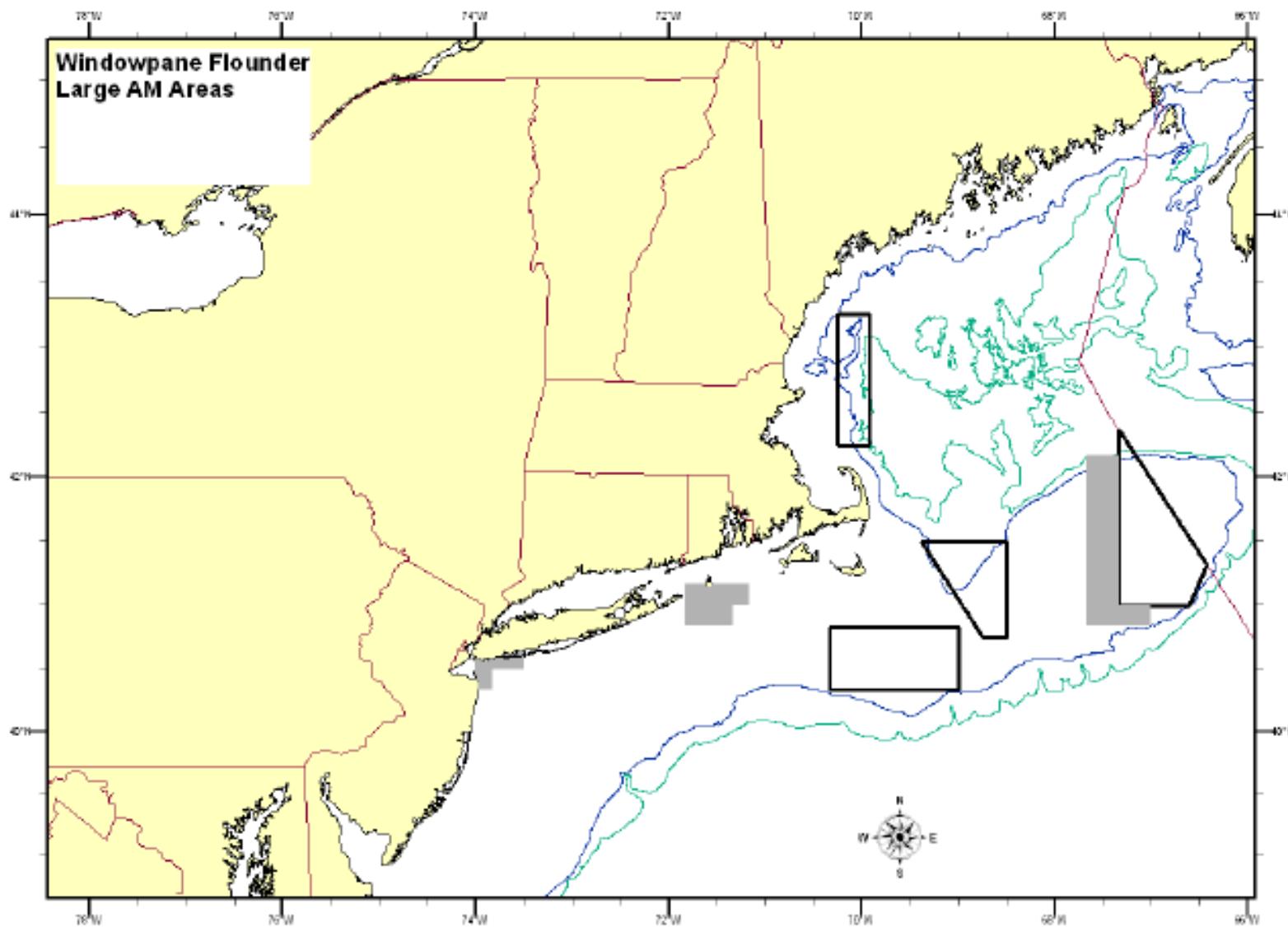


FY 2010 SNEMA Windowpane Catches by Trawl Mesh Size

FY 2011 SNE/MA Windowpane Flounder Catches







FW 48 Distro. Changes

| Stock | State sub-component | | | Other sub-component | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|---------------------|-------------|-------------|
| | FW 44 | FW 47 | FW 48 | FW 44 | FW 47 | FW 48 |
| GB Yellowtail Flounder | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.05 | <u>0.04</u> | 0.18 |
| CC/GOM Yellowtail Flounder | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.06 | 0.04 | <u>0.02</u> | 0.02 |
| Plaice | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.02 | 0.04 | 0.04 | <u>0.02</u> |
| Witch Flounder | 0.01 | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.15 |
| GB Winter Flounder | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.05 | 0.05 | <u>0.03</u> |
| Redfish | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.04 | 0.04 | <u>0.02</u> |
| White Hake | 0.01 | 0.02 | <u>0.01</u> | 0.04 | 0.03 | <u>0.02</u> |
| Pollock | 0.06 | <u>0.05</u> | 0.06 | 0.06 | 0.09 | <u>0.07</u> |
| Northern Windowpane | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.29 | <u>0.19</u> | 0.29 |
| Halibut | 0.50 | 0.50 | <u>0.40</u> | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.05 |

Rec AM

- Revised language coordinated with NERO
- (see measure text)

ASM Issues

- ASM coverage adequate to detect monitoring effects: not ready for prime time
- ASM option based on federal funding
- Reduced coverage on some trips
 - ELM sink gillnet in SNE
 - Bottom longline

Extra Large Mesh Gillnet Hauls | Summer FY 2011

