

Northeast Multispecies FMP Framework 47 Draft Measures

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Alternatives to No Action

- Revise winter flounder reference points
- Updated ABCs/ACLs, US/CA quotas
- Revise GB yellowtail flounder rebuild strategy
- Modify management of SNEMA winter flounder
 - Allocate and allow retention
- Remove scallop access area yellowtail flounder cap
- Revise AMs

GB Yellowtail Flounder Rebuilding Strategy

- Reasons:
 - Stock cannot rebuild by 2016
 - International Fishery Agreement Clarification Act (IFACA)
- Concerns
 - Retrospective pattern
- Only need to identify options today

Strategies Examined

No Action	75% FMSY	Maximum F	10% average growth	FMSY
F=0	F=0.18	F=0.21	F=0.209	F=0.25
2017/ 2018	2021/ 2023	2032	2032	Unk
50%	50%	50%	50%	50%
NPV 4	NPV 3	NPV 2	NPV 2	NPV 1

Committee Recommendation

	No Action	Alt. 1	Alt. 2
End Year	2016	2023	2032
Probability	50%	50%	50%

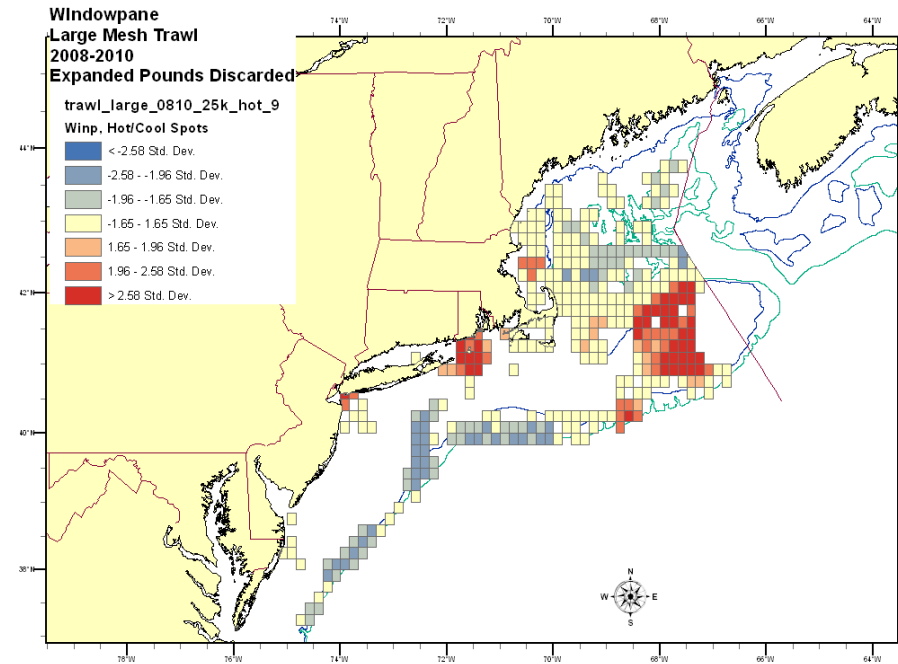
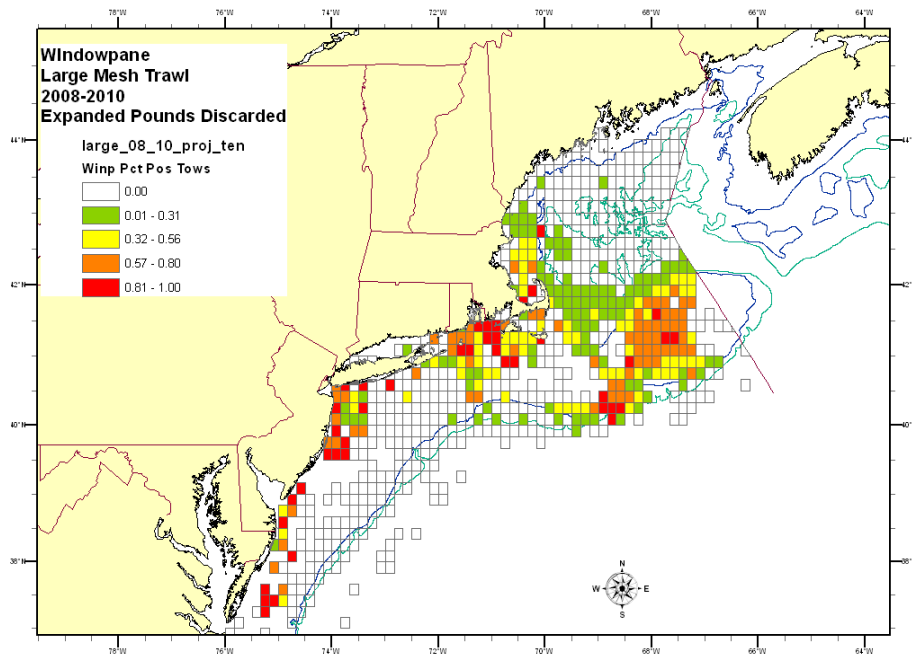
AMs

- Continued development of AM ideas for ocean pout, windowpane flounders, wolffish, halibut
- Approach:
 - Define gears
 - Define areas
 - Define measures
 - Timing: In-season or following season

Gears/Measures

- Windowpanes: trawl
 - And scallop dredge? 2010 catches of S. windowpane flounder
- Ocean pout: trawl
- Wolffish: trawl, longline, sink gillnet
- Halibut: primarily trawl
- Selective gear readily identified for trawls, but not for other gears

Areas



Example

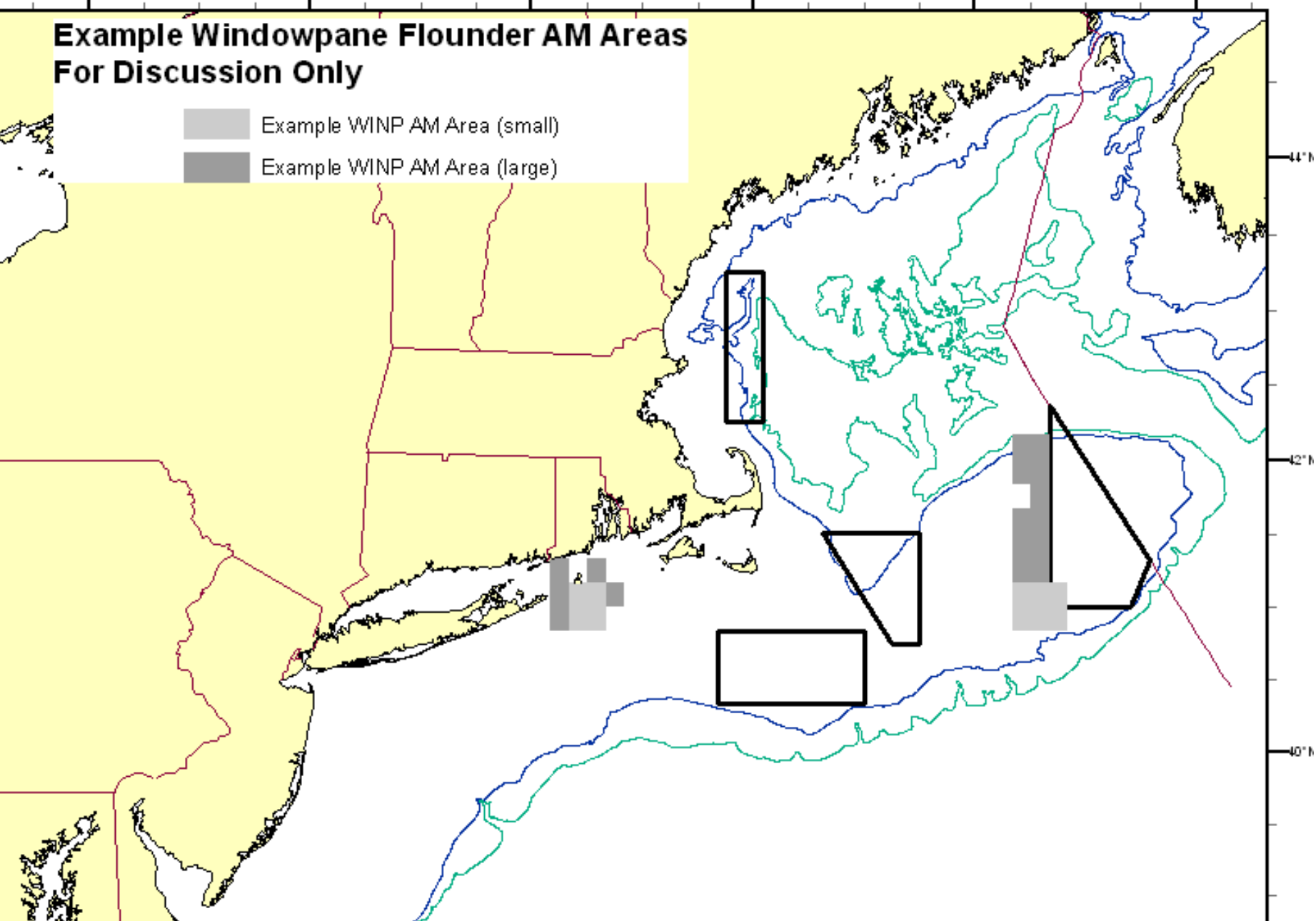
Windowpane Flounder

- Gear: requires use of selective trawl gear if AM implemented
- Timing: implemented following season (overage in year 1, AM implemented year 2)
- Area: see following chart. Two areas for each stock identified to allow scaling for amount of overage

76°W 74°W 72°W 70°W 68°W 66°W

Example Windowpane Flounder AM Areas For Discussion Only

- Example WINP AM Area (small)
- Example WINP AM Area (large)



AMs

- What about S windowpane and the scallop fishery?
- PDT will:
 - Extend to other stocks
 - Explore areas further – look for possible overlaps across stocks
 - Consider seasonal requirements

Questions?

