

DRAFT STRAWMAN PRIORITIES for 2010

November 17, 2009

Committee	Action	Staff
ACLs/AMs/Specs	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Prepare Amendments to set ACLs, AMs and Spec Packages (2011-2013) for Monkfish, Whiting and Red Crab. Prepare Monkfish Amend 6 for catch shares (sectors and IFQs) after Sep 2010. 	
Scallops (Committee will also address groundfish issues)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continue A15 to set ACLs, AMs, capacity reduction, DAS leasing, transfers for LA fleet, new overfishing definition, open area trips 2. Prepare FW 22 for 2011 and 2012 measures including YT allocation and bycatch reduction measures. 	
Habitat	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continue Omnibus Habitat Amendment 2. Conduct EBFM Planning 	
Herring	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continue A4 to set ACLs, AMs 2. Prepare A5 to include monitoring, mackerel, bycatch, criteria for access to closed areas, and protection of spawning aggregations. 	
RSC	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continue to steer research to support NEFMC plans 	
Interspecies (Committee will include MAFMC leadership as members)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop Goals and Objectives, issues and recommendations for catch shares and CFAs in those FMPs which are determined most appropriate. 2. Develop Goals and Objectives, issues and recommendations to improve monitoring in all FMPs 3. Develop Goals and Objectives, issues and recommendations to consolidate plans including an examination of joint plans with the MAFMC 4. Interspecies Cmte will meet jointly with AP chairs and vice chairs. Explore break out sessions among Committee members, APs, and public to brainstorm and better address 1-3 above. 	
SSC	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Support SSC activities such as recommending ABC and making recommendations in the FMP development process. 	

**** Note: No Groundfish Action, no specific catch share action for whiting, and no limited entry for whiting. Monkfish catch share development will start in Amend 6 after Amend 5 is submitted (Sep 2010)**