

MAFMC August 2010 Motions Holiday Inn Historic District Philadelphia, PA August 17-19, 2010

Richard Robins was elected Chairman Lee Anderson was elected Vice-Chairman

Scup Management Measures for 2011

Move that TAC be set at 24.10 mil lbs. in 2011 resulting in a TAL of 20.00 mil lbs. (commercial quota of 15.60 mil lbs and recreational harvest limit of 4.40 mil lbs.)

Council: King/Anderson (12/5/1) Board: Cole/Munden 8/1/1/0

Motion carries

Move to amend to raise TAC to 26.50 mil lbs. in 2011 resulting in a TAL of 22.00 mil lbs. (commercial quota of 17.16 mil lbs and recreational harvest limit of 4.84 mil lbs.)

Council: Augustine/Berg 8/9-Motion fails

Board: Augustine/Fote

Move to amend to raise TAC to 26.50 mil lbs. in 2011 resulting in a TAL of 20.00 mil lbs.

Council: Zeman/Augustine Board: Augustine/Pierce Motion ruled out of order

Move that up to 3% of the TAL be allocated for RSA in 2011 for scup.

Council: Kray/deFur (17/2/0) Board: Augustine/Travelstead

Motion carries

Move that up to 3% of the TAL be allocated for RSA in 2011 with 2% of that be specifically allocated to fisheries specific research.

Zeman/no second

Motion fails

Move to request that the NMFS commission an economic study which would offer guidance on the allocation percentages that would provide the greatest benefits to the scup fishery and that the Council and the ASMFC (Commission) revisit the scup allocation to determine that it both provides the greatest economic benefit.

Council: McMurray/Schafer

Board: Motion

Move to request that NMFS commission a study which would offer guidance on allocation percentage for the scup fishery.

Council: McMurray/deFur Board: Augustine/Miller

Move to table above motion indefinitely. Council: Augustine/Wheatly (14/4/0)

Board: Augustine/Gibson

Motion carries

Move that for winter II period from November 1 through November 15 that the trip limit be set at 750 lbs. From November 16 though December 31 the trip limit will be 2000 lbs increased by 1500 lbs for every one million lbs rolled over from winter I as called for in the FMP.

Board: Simpson/Pierce

Council: Augustine/Kray (0/18/0)

Motion fails

Move that we set the weekly landings limit for winter I to 30,000 lbs.

Board: Augustine/Simpson

Motion carries

Summer Flounder Management Measures for 2011

Move that TAC be set at 33.95 mil lbs. in 2011 resulting in a TAL of 29.48 mil lbs. (commercial quota of 17.69 mil lbs and recreational harvest limit of 11.79 mil lbs) for summer flounder.

Council: Augustine/Berg (14/4/1)

Board: Augustine/Fote

Motion carries

Move that if the ASMFC Summer Flounder, Scup, Black Sea Bass Board approves TAC/TAL, quotas, RHL, that differ from MAFMC recommendations, then admin. action to reconvene jointly at earliest convenience to revisit recommendations.

Board: Munden/Augustine

Motion carries

Move that up to 3% of the TAL be allocated for RSA in 2011.

Council: Augustine/Kray (17/1/1)

Board: Augustine/Simpson

Motion carries

Black Sea Bass Management Measures for 2011

Move that TAC be set at 4.50 mil lbs. in 2011 resulting in a TAL of 3.60 mil lbs. (commercial quota of 1.76 mil lbs and recreational harvest limit of 1.84 mil lbs.)

Council: Augustine/Munden (18/0/1)

Board: Augustine/Munden

Motion carries

Move that up to 3% of the TAL be allocated for RSA in 2011 for BSB.

Council: Augustine/Kray (17/2/0)

Board: Augustine/Munden

Motion carries

Bluefish Management Measures for 2011

Move to adopt a TAC of 31.744 million lbs. and TAL of 27.293 million lbs. for bluefish for the 2011 fishing

Council: Augustine/Kray (18/0/1)

Board: Augustine/Munden

Motion carries

Move for an initial transfer of 4.772 million lbs. from the recreational fishery to the commercial fishery, to achieve the maximum transfer allowed, with the understanding that the NERO has the ability to adjust the final transfer amount (downward) as needed when new information becomes available

Council: Augustine/Munden (18/0/0)

Board: Augustine/Munden

Motion carries

Move to allow up to 3 % of the TAL to be used for research set-aside

Council: Augustine/Kray (16/1/1)

Board: Augustine/Munden

Motion carries

Move that if the ASMFC Bluefish Board approves TAC/TAL, quotas, RHL, that differ from MAFMC recommendations, then admin. action to reconvene jointly at earliest convenience to revisit recommendations.

Board: Munden/Augustine

Motion carries

RESEARCH SET-ASIDE

Move to approve the 2012 RSA Priority List with the additions of SMB - "Investigate accuracy and precision of observer monitoring of (at-sea and/or port) catches of butterfish, river herrings, and shads in the Atlantic mackerel and squid fisheries" and for Tilefish - "Effect of hook size on tilefish size selectivity in the longline fishery".

Pate for Committee

Motion approved by consent

Move to approve the RSA Mission Statement.

Pate for Committee

Motion approved by consent

SQUID, MACKEREL, BUTTERFISH

Move to delay consideration of catch shares until completion of the visioning project.

Berg for Committee

Motion approved by consent

Move to recommend adoption of Goals A-F for Amendment 14.

Berg for Committee

Motion approved by consent

Move to request staff plan a non-decisional meeting regarding Amendment 14 science issues and for FMAT to begin generating alternatives pertinent to goals of Amendment 14.

Berg for Committee

Motion approved by consent

ACL/AM OMNIBUS AMENDMENT

ABC Alternatives

Move to select alternative ABC-B as the Council preferred alternative, with the clarification that in level 3 the probability distribution provided may not adequately reflect the uncertainty in the OFL estimate. The ABC recommendation is to be more precautionary as we move from tier 1 through tier 4.

Council: Travelstead/Augustine (17/0/0)

Motion carries

Risk Alternatives

Move to select alternative RISK-C as the Council preferred alternative. Augustine/Berg Motion

Substitute above motion to select alternative RISK-G as the Council preferred alternative. Travelstead/Munden (10/7/1)

Motion carries

Substitute motion is now main motion to select alternative RISK G 12/5

Motion carries

Atlantic Mackerel ACL

Move to select alternative ATM-B] as the Council preferred alternative. Council:

Augustine/deFur (18/0/0)

Motion: carries

Atlantic Mackerel Proactive AMs

Move to select alternatives ATM-D & E as the Council preferred alternative with the understanding for ATM-E the data will be based upon the information at hand.

Augustine/Berg (18/0/0)

Motion carries

Move to divide motion Zeman/Heins (6/10) Motion fails

Atlantic Mackerel Reactive AMs

Move to select alternative ATM-I as the Council preferred alternative.

Augustine/King (15/3/0)

Motion carries

Butterfish

Move to select alternative BUTTER-B, BUTTER-D, and BUTTER-F as the Council preferred alternative.

Council: Augustine/Berg Motion approved by consent

Bluefish

Move to select alternative BLUE-B and BLUE-D as the Council preferred alternative.

Augustine/Berg

Motion

Move to amend above motion to include alternative BLUE E with the language that the data will be based upon the information at hand.

Pate/Anderson (15/3/0)

Motion carries

Amended motion becomes main motion

15/3/0

Motion carries

Bluefish Reactive AMs

Move to select alternative BLUE-G as the Council preferred alternative.

Augustine/Kray (13/5/0)

Motion carries

Spiny Dogfish ACL

Move to select alternative DOG-B, DOG-D, and DOG-F as the Council preferred alternatives.

Augustine/Berg

Motion approved by consent

Summer flounder ACL

Move to select alternative FLUKE-C, FLUKE-E, FLUKE-H and FLUKE-J as the Council preferred alternatives.

Augustine/Kray

Motion

Move to amend above motion to include FLUKE-F and include only information at hand would be used.

Pate/deFur (15/3/0)

Motion carries

Amended motion is now the main motion.

13/5/0

Motion carries

Scup ACL

Move to select alternative SCUP-C, or SCUP-E, SCUP-H, and SCUP-J as the Council preferred alternative.

Augustine/Berg

Motion

Move to include Scup F and include only information at hand would be used.

Pate/Anderson

Motion (13/3/0)

Motion carries

Amended motion is now the main motion

14/4/0/

Motion carries

Black sea bass ACL

Move to select alternative [BSB-C, BSB-E, BSB-H, BSB-J as the Council preferred alternative.

Augustine/Berg

Motion: carries or fails

Move to amend to include BSB-F with clarifying language in previous motions.

Pate/Anderson

12/5/0

Motion carries

Amended motion is now the main motion.

12/5/0

Motion carries

At. Surfclam ACL

Move to select alternative [SURF-B, SURF-D, SURF-F] as the Council preferred alternatives and include clarification that the term ACT would be substituted for TAL in the document.

Augustine/Berg

Motion approved by consent

Ocean Quahog ACL

Move to select alternative QUAHOG-B, QUAHOG-D and Quahog-F as the Council preferred alternative.

Augustine/Berg

Motion carries by consent

Tilefish

Move to select alternative TILE-B, TILE-D, TILE-E, TILE-F, and TILE-H as the Council preferred alternative.

Augustine/Berg (15/2/0)

Motion carries

Performance Review Alternatives

Move to select alternative REVIEW-B, REVIEW-C, and MODIFY-B as the Council preferred alternatives as stated in the document.

Augustine/Berg

Motion carried by consent

Move to develop a preferred alternative to bluefish for joint action with the ASMFC to cover disconnect in catch limits.

Munden/Kray

Motion approved by consent

Move to approve and submit the document with changes of today to the service.

Kray/Augustine

Motion carries by roll call vote

Executive Committee

Move to appoint David Tomberlin to the SSC.

Robins for Committee

Motion approved by consent

Committee Reports

Ecosystems

Move to ask the SSC to establish an ecosystem sub-committee and to develop a set of terms of reference for Council consideration at our October meeting.

Kray/McMurray

Motion approved by consent

MRIP

Move to direct Council staff to develop a list of recreational data collection needs specific to the Mid Atlantic region for consideration by the MRIP operations team at their priorities setting meeting in October.

King/Travelstead

Motion approved by consent

Move to engage with ACCSP to increase and advance the Council's participation in the improvement of data collection in the Mid Atlantic region.

King/Travelstead

Motion approved by consent

Business Session

Move to approve June 2010 minutes.

Deferred to October meeting.

Continuing and New Business

Move that the Council establish an Ad-Hoc Committee to evaluate a River Herring and Shad Complex FMP.

Zeman/McMurray

Move to table above motion. Pate/Augustine 13/2/1 Motion carried