NEW ENGLAND FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Scallop Survey Advisory Panel (SSAP)

I. STATUS

A. <u>Meetings</u>: During a meeting on Sept. 3rd, the SSAP reviewed and discussed the 2009 survey research results and plans for 2010 survey methods. The SSAP also discussed options for future survey platforms and research priorities, as well as development of a formal survey planning document. The SSAP agreed to develop potential terms of reference on survey evaluation and calibration during the benchmark scallop assessment, scheduled for June 2010. SSAP recommendations on these issues will be forthcoming after the Sept. Council meeting.

II. COUNCIL ACTION

A. No action is needed.

III. INFORMATION

1. September 3, 2009 meeting summary.