



## Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Monitoring Committee Meeting

November 13-14, 2023

Loews Philadelphia Hotel  
1200 Market Street Philadelphia, PA 19107  
Meeting Room: PSFS Room / 33rd Floor

### Meeting Objectives

- Develop recommendations for 2024-2025 recreational management measures for summer flounder and scup, and 2024 recreational management measures for black sea bass.
- Review analyses of summer flounder commercial mesh regulations and exemptions, and provide recommendations for any changes.

### Meeting Materials

- To be added

### DRAFT Agenda

*Times are subject to change based on the pace of discussion. Public comment will be allowed at designated times, at the discretion of Council and Commission staff.*

### *Monday, November 13, 2023*

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| <b>1:00 – 1:10 pm</b> | <b>Introductions and meeting objectives</b>   |
| <b>1:10 – 3:00 pm</b> | <b>Summer flounder minimum mesh regulations and exemptions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Review staff and contractor analyses and industry feedback</li><li>• Recommend any changes to summer flounder minimum mesh size regulations, Small Mesh Exemption Program, and/or flynet exemption</li></ul>   |
| <b>3:00 – 3:10 pm</b> | <b>Break</b>  |
| <b>3:10 – 5:00 pm</b> | <b>2024-2025 Summer flounder recreational measures</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Review recent recreational fishery performance</li><li>• Review Recreational Demand Model estimates of 2024-2025 harvest under 2023 measures and associated confidence interval</li><li>• Determine percent change in harvest required under the Percent Change Approach</li></ul> |

- Recommend use of coastwide measures or conservation equivalency and associated measures (preferred or non-preferred coastwide measures; precautionary default measures)

*Tuesday, November 14, 2023*

**9:00 – 11:00 am      2024-2025 Scup recreational measures**

- Review recent recreational fishery performance
- Review Recreational Demand Model estimates of 2024-2025 harvest under 2023 measures and associated confidence interval
- Determine percent change in harvest required under the Percent Change Approach
- Recommend 2024-2025 federal waters recreational bag, size, and season limits, as well as considerations for adjustments to state measures, to achieve the percent change in harvest required

**11:00 – 11:10 am      Break**

**11:10 – 1:00 pm      2024 Black sea bass recreational measures**

- Review recent recreational fishery performance
- Discuss considerations for use of Percent Change Approach for setting measures under a revised recreational harvest limit without an updated stock assessment
- Review Recreational Demand Model estimates of 2024 harvest under 2023 measures and associated confidence interval
- Determine percent change in harvest required under the Percent Change Approach
- Recommend use of coastwide measures or conservation equivalency and associated measures (preferred or non-preferred coastwide measures; precautionary default measures)