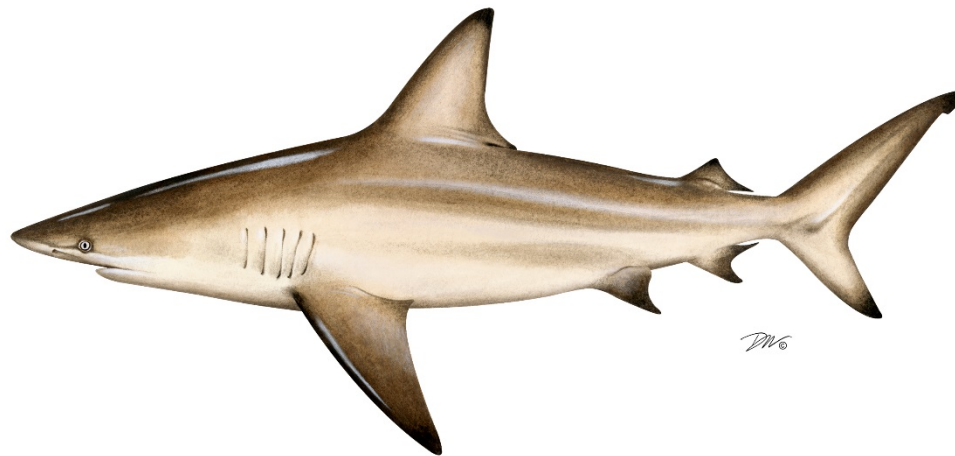




# Draft Addendum V



**Coastal Sharks Management Board**  
**New York, New York**  
**October 23, 2018**

# Presentation Outline



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# Document Development



Board initiated Draft Addendum V	May 2018
Board Approval of Draft Addendum V for Public Comment	August 2018
Public Comment	August-October 2018
<b>Board Considers Final Addendum</b>	<b>Today</b>

# Overview



- May 2018: ASMFC Coastal Sharks Management Board was presented the recent North Atlantic shortfin mako benchmark assessment and emergency rule measures implemented by NOAA HMS
- Board did not adopt emergency rule measures, instead initiated an addendum to provide flexibility in implementing measures for all species within the Coastal Sharks FMP

# Statement of the Problem



FMP allows only commercial quotas, possession limits, and season dates to be adjusted annually through specification.

All other commercial and recreational measures can only be adjusted through an 1) Addendum as outlined in the Adaptive Management section (4.5) of the FMP or 2) Emergency action.

Emergency action has a rigorous criteria; the recent assessment update for shortfin mako didn't meet the criteria in state waters. Board chose to initiate an Addendum to allow flexibility in making changes short of an emergency action

# Background



- FMP was adopted in 2008 and facilitates complementary management in state waters to those set by NOAA Fisheries for federal waters (3-200 miles) and Highly Migratory Species Permit Holders.
- Species are managed through 8 different complexes: prohibited, research, small coastal, non-sandbar, large coastal, pelagic, and smooth dogfish.
- The Board does not actively set quotas; annually follows NOAA Fisheries on setting specifications for the commercial fishery by adopting the same quota, possession limits, and openings and closures. This includes in-season changes to the possession limit.

# Management Options



- Option 1: Status Quo
  - No change; only commercial quotas, possession limits, and season dates to be adjusted annually through specification.
  - Addendum or Emergency Action needed to adjust additional measures (commercial and recreational)

# Management Options



- Option 2: Adjust all needed measures through annual specifications
  - Recreational size limits
  - Recreational possession limits
  - Recreational seasons
  - Area closures (both recreational and commercial)
  - Gear specifications (both recreational and commercial)
  - Effort controls (both recreational and commercial)
- Changes would be made once a year.
- Changes could be made through motion. This would not require a public hearing or public comment



# Management Options



- Option 3: Adjust Measures on an Ad Hoc Basis as Needed
  - Recreational size limits
  - Recreational possession limits
  - Recreational seasons
  - Area closures (both recreational and commercial)
  - Gear specifications (both recreational and commercial)
  - Effort controls (both recreational and commercial)
  - Commercial quotas\*
  - Commercial possession limits\*
  - Commercial seasons\*
- Changes could be made throughout the year.
- Changes could be made through motion. This would not require a public hearing or public comment

# Public and AP comment



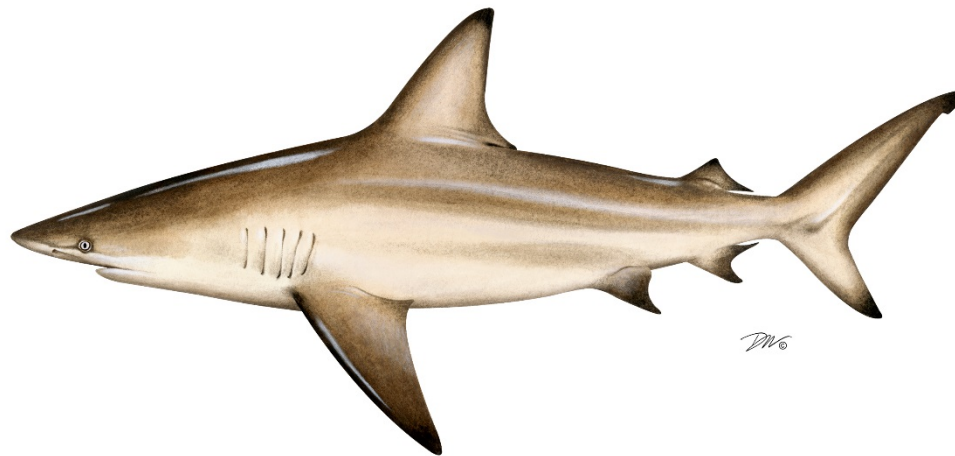
- No public comment were submitted
- Public Hearing Webinar held in September
  - 5 attendees, no public comment offered
- AP Meeting held in October
  - 3 attendees, 2 indicated preference for Option 3:  
Adjust Measures on an Ad Hoc Basis as Needed



# Questions?



# 2019 Commercial Specifications



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# Background



- Proposed rule was published on September 11 (83 FR 45866)
- Status Quo Quotas from 2018
- Proposed to open all shark management groups approx. 1/1/2019
- Status Quo retention limits - start at 25 LCS other than sandbar sharks/vessel/trip and adjust as needed, as was done the past few years.

# 2019 Quotas



Region or Sub-region	Management Group	2019 Proposed Annual Quota	Quota Linkages	Commercial Retention Limits for Directed Shark Limited Access Permit Holders	Season Opening Dates
Atlantic	Aggregated Large Coastal Sharks	168.9 mt dw <b>(372,552 lb dw)</b>	Linked	25 LCS other than sandbar sharks per vessel per trip  (If quota is landed too quickly, NMFS anticipates considering an in-season reduction, and later considering an in-season increase to 36 LCS other than sandbar sharks per vessel per trip around July 15, 2019)	Jan 1, 2019
	Hammerhead Sharks	27.1 mt dw <b>(59,736 lb dw)</b>			
	Non-Blacknose Small Coastal Sharks	264.1 mt dw <b>(582,333 lb dw)</b>	Linked (South of 34° N. lat. only)	N/A	Jan 1, 2019
	Blacknose Sharks (South of 34° N. lat. only)	17.2 mt dw <b>(37,921 lb dw)</b>		8 blacknose sharks per vessel per trip (applies to directed and incidental permit holders; in-season adjustments not possible)	
	Smoothhound sharks	1,802.6 mt dw <b>(3,973,902 lb dw)</b>	Not Linked	N/A	Jan 1, 2019

# 2019 Quotas



Region or Sub-region	Management Group	2019 Proposed Annual Quota	Quota Linkages	Commercial Retention Limits for Directed Shark Limited Access Permit Holders	Season Opening Dates
No regional quotas	Non-Sandbar LCS Research	50.0 mt dw <b>(110,230 lb dw)</b>	Linked	N/A	January 1, 2019
	Sandbar Shark Research	90.7 mt dw <b>(199,943 lb dw)</b>			
	Blue Sharks	273.0 mt dw <b>(601,856 lb dw)</b>	Not Linked	N/A	
	Porbeagle Sharks	1.7 mt dw <b>(3,748 lb dw)</b>			
	Pelagic Sharks Other Than Porbeagle or Blue	488.0 mt dw <b>(1,075,856 lb dw)</b>			



# Next Steps

- The Final Rule will be published later this fall
  - The Board can approve the specifications by email vote once the final rule is published





# Questions?