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Ecological Reference Points Benchmark Stock Assessment Workshop Scheduled for March 3 - 6, in Arlington, VA

Arlington, VA – The Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission’s Ecological Reference Points (ERP) Work Group will be meeting March 3 – 6, 2025 at the Commission’s office, 1050 N. Highland Street, Suite 200A-N, Arlington, VA. The ERP Work Group will explore various modeling approaches to be used in the assessment, which will be used to evaluate the health of the stock and inform the management of the species in an ecological context.



The ERP assessment is scheduled to be peer reviewed later in 2025 through the SouthEast Data Assessment Review process. Visit the Commission’s website calendar (<https://asmfc.org/events/>) for information on the dates and times of those meetings.

All Commission assessment workshops are open to the public. Time may be allotted for public comment at the discretion of the Chair of the ERP Work Group but may also be limited to keep the workshop on schedule. Additional information on the workshop, including webinar registration, can be found [here](#).

For more information about the assessments or attending the workshop, please contact James Boyle, Fishery Management Plan Coordinator, at jboyle@asmfc.org or 703.842.0740, or Jainita Patel, Fisheries Science Coordinator, at jpatel@asmfc.org or 703.842.0720.

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