

Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission
Atlantic Striped Bass Methods Workshop

March 11-13, 2026
1050 N. Highland Street Suite 200A-N
Arlington, VA 22201

Draft Agenda

Please note the agenda times are approximate – the order in which items will be taken is subject to change and other items may be added as necessary.

Wednesday, March 11

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| 1. Call to Order/Introductions (<i>M. Conroy</i>) | 1:00 pm |
| 2. Finalize indices for inclusion & calculation methods | 1:10 pm |
| a. FI Surveys (<i>FIG members</i>) | |
| b. MRIP CPUE (<i>K. Drew</i>) | |
| c. Tagging model abundance estimates | |
| 3. Age/length key options | 3:15 pm |
| a. Scale-otolith conversions (<i>G. Nelson</i>) | |
| 4. Commercial discard estimates | 4:00 pm |
| a. Continuity run methods (<i>G. Nelson</i>) | |
| b. RI program estimates (<i>N. Lengyel Costa</i>) | |
| c. SBRM estimates | |
| 5. Public comment | 4:55 pm |
| 6. Adjourn for Day 1 | 5:00 pm |

Thursday, March 12

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| 1. Stock composition estimates | 9:00 am |
| a. Tag-based (<i>M. Celestino</i>) | |
| b. Genetic (<i>B. Gahagan</i>) | |
| 2. Release/discard mortality estimates | 10:00 am |
| 3. Environmental data/indicators (<i>SAS members</i>) | 11:00 am |
| ---- LUNCH ---- | 12:00 pm |
| 4. Treatment of natural mortality (<i>SAS members</i>) | 1:00 pm |
| 5. Delaware Bay-specific data (<i>M. Celestino</i>) | 2:00 pm |
| 6. Review initial continuity model runs (<i>G. Nelson</i>) | 2:45 pm |
| 7. Discuss alternate models' configuration (<i>SAS members</i>) | 3:15 pm |
| a. Spatial model structure | |
| b. Preliminary WHAM/SS3 model runs | |
| 8. Public comment | 4:55 pm |
| 9. Adjourn for Day 2 | 5:00 pm |

Friday, March 13

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| 1. Continue model discussions (<i>SAS members</i>) | 9:00 am |
| a. Identify preferred model configurations | |
| b. Develop initial set of sensitivity runs | |
| 2. Overview of striped bass recreational demand model (<i>S. Steinbeck</i>) | 10:00 am |
| 3. Discuss options for BRPs for further development (<i>SAS members</i>) | 10:30 am |
| ---- LUNCH ---- | |
| | 12:00 pm |
| 4. Review workshop decisions | 1:00 pm |
| 5. Review assessment report outline and writing assignments | 2:00 pm |
| 6. Review assessment timeline and tasks | 2:30 pm |
| 7. Public comment | 2:55 pm |
| 8. Meeting adjourns | 3:00 pm |