

Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission
River Herring Data Collection Standardization Meeting

November 18th-20th, 2015

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Meeting Goals and Objectives:

- Review long-term State, Federal, and Tribal Survey river herring fishery- independent monitoring programs, and acknowledge dependent data programs, in the U.S. and Canada. This includes survey design (timing and gear used; with or without fish ladder) and biological sampling (sample size, otolith, scales, lengths)
- Discuss standardized approaches to data collection, and identify what can be implemented quickly with minimal changes to current sampling programs. Identify long-term needs as time permits, including challenges (e.g., resources).
- Consider information needed for data limited stock assessment approaches.
- Produce a meeting summary to help improve river herring data collection throughout the range of river herring and help inform future efforts (e.g., stock assessment).

Draft Agenda

Wednesday, November 18 (1:00 pm – 5:00 pm)

1. Welcome and Introductions (*K. Rootes-Murdy*)
2. Goals and Objectives of Workshop (*K. Rootes-Murdy*)
3. Review of State, Federal, and Tribal Survey Programs (*TC members/Participants*)
4. Public Comment

Thursday, November 19 (8:30 am – 5:00 pm)

1. Review of State, Federal, and Tribal Survey Programs (cont'd)
2. Fishery dependent data
3. Standardization approaches presentation and discussion (*ASMFC Staff*)

- a. Survey design (*ASMFC Staff*)
 - b. Survey data (*ASMFC Staff*)
 - c. Recommendations (*ASMFC Staff*)
4. Public Comment

Friday, November 20 (8:30 am – 3:00 pm)

1. Standardization approaches presentation and discussion (cont'd)
 - Prioritize changes to surveys
2. Data Limited Approaches to stock assessments (*ASMFC Staff*)
 - Data Considerations (*ASMFC Staff*)
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3. Next Steps: 2017 ASMFC assessment and implementation (*ASMFC Staff*)
4. Public Comment
5. Adjourn

Other