Today

1) Presentation on the data updates/fish info docs
2) Update on fishery performance report
3) Remind you what you did for OFLs and ABCs for 2020
4) Staff recommendations for 2020
Surf clam biomass
Surfclam Fishing Mortality

![Graph showing Surfclam Fishing Mortality]
2018: 39 vessels (down 1 from 2017)

6 processors SCOQ in 4 states

Prices:
- Decrease in overall ex-vessel value
- $30 million in 2018
- Down from $31 in 2017
Surfclam Landings (thru Apr 17)
Fishery Performance Report (For SCOQ)

- Critical Issues:
  - Closure of Nantucket Shoals through the Omnibus Habitat Amendment on April 9
  - Excessive shares amendment (esp. alts 5, 6)
  - Mixing of surfclam and ocean quahog, because of increased co-occurrence during harvesting operations

- Other additions to the document
Surfclam Current Measures

- Last year reviewed 2019 measures in place
- SSC recommendation to form a joint SSC/NEFSC working group – Council agreed
- Results presented to SSC in December 2018
- Council developed recommendations in April 2018 – letter to be sent, notification
### Current Recommended Measures (2019, 2020)

- **Staff Recommend no changes to OFL and ABC for 2020**

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Quahog Biomass
Quahog Fishing Mortality
2018: 16 non-ME vessels, 8 ME

6 processors SCOQ in 4 states

Increase in overall ex-vessel value
  - $24 million in 2018
  - Up $1 million from 2017
Quahog Landings – Non-Maine (thru Apr 17)
Quahog Landings - Maine (thru Apr 17)
## Current Measures (2019, 2020)

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