MSB - Illex

October 2019
Background

- 2 Components
- Modifications to the *Illex* permitting system
- Plan’s goals and objectives (all species)
Objectives for Today

- Review Committee and AP meetings
- Provide direction as necessary
MSB FMP Goals and Objectives

- Are the unified goals and objectives appropriate?
- Are any modifications warranted?
Goals and Objectives - AP

- Chub mackerel should not be singled out
  - If 2.4 (social/economic) is made more general, then the specific reference to HMS should also be removed.

- NAFO/international quota access

- More detail/clarification should be included for Objective 2.3 or remove (conflict)

- A goal or objective regarding reducing bycatch should be added.
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Permitting

- FMAT can develop along lines of Committee motions unless directed otherwise.
From Longfin Action...

- Consider the appropriate number of vessels in the directed...[fishery]...and...

- Design appropriate management measures for permitted vessels to avoid more frequent and disruptive fishery closures due to additional effort from vessels that have not substantively participated in the fishery in recent history.
Permitting

- Define problem
  - Mitigate Racing to Fish, Possibly...
    - Avoid more frequent and disruptive fishery closures
      - Impacts on vessels dependent on this fishery
      - Community impacts
    - Safety concerns (weather, maintenance, loading)
    - Quota over-runs
Permitting

- Define action’s goals
- Consider further limiting access to the *Illex* fishery and consider the appropriate number of vessels and types of access that could address the above problems
the benefits related to extending the *Illex* season from a simple permit requalification or even tiering may be short lived

the most direct way to end the race to fish is through an individual transferable quota (ITQ)
Use of the current 2013 control date is reasonable

Data since 1997 is the best quality

There should be some alternatives that include landings through 2018 to appropriately consider recent participation.
MSB Committee

- No ITQs
- No 10,000-pound single trip threshold
- No dates that extend through 2019
  - Staff recommended including a 2019 option in Committee memo
    - 2019 data available at time of decision making
    - MSA: “present participation in the fishery”
    - GARFO indicated the discussion and 2018 options address MSA requirements
MSB AP

- Wide variety of perspectives
- Do or not do requalification
- Use control date or not
- Consider through 2019 or not
- 10,000-pound trip qualifier or not
### Table: Potential Requalification Periods

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### Table: MRIs/Permits with No *Illex* landings in period

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MSB Committee

- 3 Tiers
  - Requalifiers
  - Non-requalifiers with recent landings (control date)
    - Accommodation with trip limit or sub-quota
  - Non-requalifiers without recent landings
    - Incidental limit (10,000 pounds) or 20,000 pounds
Other Issues

- VMS clarification
- Hold Capacity
- Start Date
Committee Motions
Other Permit Action

- Other Table Modifications?
- Tiers?
Other Issues

- VMS clarification
- Hold Capacity (like mackerel)
- Start Date
  - 2 million pounds dates:
    (not great proxy)
- FMAT can develop...