Golden Tilefish

Upcoming Management Actions

SSC Meeting

March 9, 2021
Today

- Objective:
  - Brief review upcoming management actions

- Outline:
  - Background
  - Timeline
  - Specifications
  - Framework (FW)
Specifications Process Timeline

- 2021-2022 (interim) multi-year specifications cycle
- Typically, set/review specs in early Spring
- Slight change in timing to conduct specs process
NRCC stock assessment process/schedule

- Management track assessment update – June 2021
  - Review 2022 and set 2023-2024
- Research track stock assessment – June 2024
  - Set 2025-2026-2027
Specifications Process Timeline

- No other aspects of reviewing/setting specs for this cycle will change
  - SSC will review the 2021 management track assessment update, the 2021 Fishery Performance Report, and other background information to review/set ABCs (July)
  - The MC will also review all available information to review/recommend management measures (July)
Specifications Process Timeline

- Findings and recommendations will be presented to Council (August 2021)
Other ongoing projects/issues

- October 2020 Council meeting – E.O. 13921
  - List of recommendations
    - “Initiate a framework to allow golden tilefish specifications to be set for more than 3 years”
  - 2021 Council Proposed Actions and Deliverables
    - Initiate golden tilefish multi-year specifications framework (E.O. 13921 recommendation)
      - Specifications to be set for maximum number of years needed to be consistent with the Northeast Regional Coordinating Council (NRCC)-approved stock assessment schedule
Other ongoing projects/issues

- This FW will also address
  - Change to the fishing year (FY)
    - Currently (Nov 1 – Oct 31)
    - Consider change (Jan 1 – Dec 31)
  - FY = calendar year
  - Matches FY with cost recovery calculations
  - Matches stock assessment results/projections which are based on calendar year
  - AP members support FW development
Other ongoing projects/issues

- To facilitate this transition:
  - Modify 2022 specs/FY
  - Currently from Nov 1, 2021 – Oct 31, 2022, to
  - Nov 1, 2021 – Dec 31, 2022 (One-time only adjustment)

- Then, set specs for
  - 2023: Jan 1, 2023 – Dec 31, 2023; and
  - 2024: Jan 1, 2024 – Dec 31, 2024
Other ongoing projects/issues

- FW will be used to address all these topics
  - Multi-year specifications cycle
  - Fishing year
  - Set specifications (catch & landings limits)

- Framework meetings
  - 1st – April Council meeting
  - 2nd – August Council meeting