

# Redfish Exemption Areas

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## Tags

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## Summary

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## Description

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- Redfish Exemption Area Seasonal Closure II

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## Extent

There is no extent for this item.

## Scale Range

There is no scale range for this item.

## ArcGIS Metadata ▼

TITLE Redfish Exemption Areas

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## CONSTRAINTS

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DETAILS FOR OBJECT [Regulated Area ▶](#)

DEFINITION

NMFS Regulated Areas in Northeast and Mid-Atlantic Waters

DEFINITION SOURCE

GARFO

FIELD [FID ▶](#)

FIELD DESCRIPTION

Internal feature number

DESCRIPTION SOURCE

ESRI

DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

System-generated internal feature number

[Hide Field FID ▲](#)

FIELD [Shape ▶](#)

FIELD DESCRIPTION

Feature geometry

DESCRIPTION SOURCE

ESRI

DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

Coordinate geometry

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FIELD GARFO\_ID ►

FIELD DESCRIPTION

A unique identifier used to identify and track this feature; a new GARFO\_ID is generated for each version of a Regulated Area (i.e. whenever boundaries or attributes are changed, edited or updated)

DESCRIPTION SOURCE

GARFO

DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

System-generated number

*Hide Field GARFO\_ID ▲*

FIELD AREANAME ►

FIELD DESCRIPTION

Official name of the Regulated Area, usually the area name as printed in the CFR

DESCRIPTION SOURCE

GARFO

DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

Free text name

*Hide Field AREANAME ▲*

FIELD COMMNAME ►

FIELD DESCRIPTION

Most commonly used name. May be identical to AREANAME, an abbreviation of AREANAME, or a different name altogether.

DESCRIPTION SOURCE

GARFO

DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

Free text name

*Hide Field COMMNAME ▲*

FIELD AREAGROUP ►

FIELD DESCRIPTION

Specifies if the Regulated Area is part of a group of related areas

DESCRIPTION SOURCE

GARFO

DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

Free text name

*Hide Field AREAGROUP ▲*

FIELD DESCRIBE ►

FIELD DESCRIPTION

A brief description of the purpose of the Regulated Area

DESCRIPTION SOURCE

GARFO

DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

Free text description

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FIELD CFRTITLE ►

FIELD DESCRIPTION

CFR Title citation where the Regulated Area is legally defined

DESCRIPTION SOURCE

GARFO

DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

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FIELD CFRPT ►

FIELD DESCRIPTION

CFR Part citation where the Regulated Area is legally defined

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GARFO

DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

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FIELD DESCRIPTION

CFR Part citation header text

DESCRIPTION SOURCE

GARFO

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GARFO

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FIELD DESCRIPTION

CFR Section citation header text

DESCRIPTION SOURCE

GARFO

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FIELD CFRPARA ►

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CFR Paragraph citation where the Regulated Area is legally defined

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FIELD DESCRIPTION

CFR Paragraph citation header text

DESCRIPTION SOURCE

GARFO

DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

Free text name

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FIELD FRCITE ►

FIELD DESCRIPTION

Federal Register citation of original Regulated Area spatial definition, or last modification to the spatial definition, whichever is most recent. Refers to SPATIAL DEFINITION ONLY. Subsequent FR notices may have modified the requirements affecting waters within or outside this Regulated Area.

DESCRIPTION SOURCE

GARFO

DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

Free text name

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FIELD FRDATE ►

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DESCRIPTION SOURCE

GARFO

DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

Date

*Hide Field FRDATE ▲*

FIELD EFFECTDATE ►

FIELD DESCRIPTION

Date Regulated Area officially became law, or most recent modification

DESCRIPTION SOURCE

GARFO

DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

Date

*Hide Field EFFECTDATE ▲*

FIELD SOURCE ►

FIELD DESCRIPTION

If Regulated Area is defined in the CFR, this is the citation for the Amendment/Framework/etc. that established the area. If the Regulated Area is not defined in the CFR, this is the alternative source citation establishing the Regulated Area.

DESCRIPTION SOURCE

GARFO

DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

Free text citation

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FIELD RECURST ►

FIELD DESCRIPTION

Annually recurring date Regulated Area becomes active

DESCRIPTION SOURCE

GARFO

DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

Date

*Hide Field RECURST ▲*

FIELD RECUREND ►

FIELD DESCRIPTION

Annually recurring date Regulated Area becomes inactive

DESCRIPTION SOURCE

GARFO

DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

Date

*Hide Field RECUREND ▲*

FIELD GISAUTHOR ►

FIELD DESCRIPTION

Name of the NOAA staff person who created the GIS feature

DESCRIPTION SOURCE

GARFO

DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

Name

*Hide Field GISAUTHOR ▲*

FIELD CREATED ►

FIELD DESCRIPTION

Creation date of the GIS feature

DESCRIPTION SOURCE

GARFO

#### DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

Date

*Hide Field CREATED ▲*

#### FIELD AREANOTES ►

##### FIELD DESCRIPTION

Miscellaneous notes regarding the Regulated Area or feature

##### DESCRIPTION SOURCE

GARFO

##### DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

Free text description

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*Hide Details for object Regulated Area ▲*

#### OVERVIEW DESCRIPTION ►

##### ENTITY AND ATTRIBUTE OVERVIEW

Entity Attributes provide reference information for the Regulated Areas represented. Attributes provide citations for the legal spatial definition and originating documents, and currentness information for each area.

##### ENTITY AND ATTRIBUTE DETAIL CITATION

FIELDS\_Map.xlsx fully describes the Attribute Schema used for regulated area GIS data sets. To access this document, see the Contact Information.

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## FGDC Metadata (read-only) ►

### Identification ►

CITATION

CITATION INFORMATION

ORIGINATOR NOAA Fisheries Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office

PUBLICATION DATE 2021-09-22

TITLE

Redfish Exemption Areas

PUBLICATION INFORMATION

PUBLICATION PLACE Gloucester, MA

PUBLISHER NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) - Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office (GARFO)

ONLINE LINKAGE <http://www.greateratlantic.fisheries.noaa.gov/gis>

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#### TIME PERIOD OF CONTENT

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##### SINGLE DATE/TIME

CALENDAR DATE 2021-09-22

##### CURRENTNESS REFERENCE

##### Publication date

##### STATUS

PROGRESS Complete

MAINTENANCE AND UPDATE FREQUENCY As needed

#### SPATIAL DOMAIN

##### BOUNDING COORDINATES

WEST BOUNDING COORDINATE -80

EAST BOUNDING COORDINATE -64

NORTH BOUNDING COORDINATE 46

SOUTH BOUNDING COORDINATE 32

#### KEYWORDS

##### THEME

THEME KEYWORD THESAURUS ISO 19115 Topic Category

THEME KEYWORD boundaries

THEME KEYWORD environment

THEME KEYWORD location

THEME KEYWORD oceans

THEME KEYWORD planningCadastre

THEME

THEME KEYWORD THESAURUS EPA GIS Keyword Thesaurus

THEME KEYWORD Biology

THEME KEYWORD Compliance

THEME KEYWORD Conservation

THEME KEYWORD Ecology

THEME KEYWORD Ecosystem

THEME KEYWORD Environment

THEME KEYWORD Human

THEME KEYWORD Management

THEME KEYWORD Marine

THEME KEYWORD Monitoring

THEME KEYWORD Natural Resources

THEME KEYWORD Permits

THEME KEYWORD Regulatory

THEME KEYWORD Water

THEME

THEME KEYWORD THESAURUS GARFO Keywords

THEME KEYWORD Atlantic

THEME KEYWORD EEZ

THEME KEYWORD Exclusive Economic Zone

THEME KEYWORD GARFO

THEME KEYWORD Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office

THEME KEYWORD National Marine Fisheries Service

THEME KEYWORD National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

THEME KEYWORD NMFS

THEME KEYWORD NOAA

THEME KEYWORD US EEZ

#### PLACE

PLACE KEYWORD THESAURUS None

PLACE KEYWORD United States

PLACE KEYWORD Atlantic Ocean

PLACE KEYWORD Greater Atlantic Region

PLACE KEYWORD US EEZ

PLACE KEYWORD US Exclusive Economic Zone

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None.

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CONTACT POSITION Fishery Management Specialist

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#### SECURITY INFORMATION

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM <http://project-open-data.github.io/schema/#accessLevel>

SECURITY CLASSIFICATION public

SECURITY HANDLING DESCRIPTION Standard Technical Controls

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## Data Quality ►

#### LOGICAL CONSISTENCY REPORT

Check Geometry test has been performed in ArcGIS.

#### COMPLETENESS REPORT

Features represented are valid. No geometry problems were detected.

#### POSITIONAL ACCURACY

#### HORIZONTAL POSITIONAL ACCURACY

#### HORIZONTAL POSITIONAL ACCURACY REPORT

Data were collected using methods that have unknown accuracy (EPA National Geospatial Data Policy [NGDP] Accuracy Tier 10). For more information, please see EPA's NGDP at <http://epa.gov/geospatial/policies.html>

#### LINEAGE

#### SOURCE INFORMATION

#### SOURCE CITATION

#### CITATION INFORMATION

ORIGINATOR Department of Commerce (DOC), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS)

PUBLICATION DATE 2021-07-28

TITLE

Electronic Code of Federal Regulations

EDITION Special Edition of the Federal Register

GEOSPATIAL DATA PRESENTATION FORM document

PUBLICATION INFORMATION

PUBLICATION PLACE Washington, DC

PUBLISHER Office of the Federal Register, National Archives and Records Administration and the Government Printing Office

OTHER CITATION DETAILS

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ONLINE LINKAGE <http://www.ecfr.gov>

TYPE OF SOURCE MEDIA online

SOURCE TIME PERIOD OF CONTENT

TIME PERIOD INFORMATION

SINGLE DATE/TIME

CALENDAR DATE 2021-97-28

SOURCE CURRENTNESS REFERENCE

publication date

SOURCE CITATION ABBREVIATION

e-CFR

SOURCE CONTRIBUTION

Spatial definitions for Regulated Area boundaries.

SOURCE INFORMATION

SOURCE CITATION

CITATION INFORMATION

ORIGINATOR Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement, Mapping and Boundary Branch

PUBLICATION DATE 2010-10-05

TITLE

Atlantic NAD83 Submerged Lands Act Boundary

GEOSPATIAL DATA PRESENTATION FORM vector digital data

SERIES INFORMATION

SERIES NAME Digital Offshore Cadastre

ISSUE IDENTIFICATION current

PUBLICATION INFORMATION

PUBLICATION PLACE Herndon, Virginia

PUBLISHER Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement, Mapping and Boundary Branch

ONLINE LINKAGE <http://www.boemre.gov/offshore/mapping/atlantic.htm>

LARGER WORK CITATION

CITATION INFORMATION

ORIGINATOR Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement, Mapping and Boundary Branch

PUBLICATION DATE 2010-10-05

TITLE

BOEMRE Offshore Cadastral Data

GEOSPATIAL DATA PRESENTATION FORM map

PUBLICATION INFORMATION

PUBLICATION PLACE Herndon, Virginia

PUBLISHER Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement, Mapping and Boundary Branch

TYPE OF SOURCE MEDIA digital download (ESRI shapefile)

SOURCE TIME PERIOD OF CONTENT

TIME PERIOD INFORMATION

RANGE OF DATES/TIMES

BEGINNING DATE 2005

ENDING DATE 2008

SOURCE CURRENTNESS REFERENCE

publication date

SOURCE CITATION ABBREVIATION

SLA

SOURCE CONTRIBUTION

This source marine boundary was used to generate template shapefiles, which were copied and used when Regulatory Area boundaries followed portions of the Submerged Lands Act boundary (a.k.a. 3 nautical mile line; a.k.a. Fed-State boundary).

SOURCE INFORMATION

SOURCE CITATION

CITATION INFORMATION

ORIGINATOR Department of Commerce (DOC), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service (NOS), Office of Coast Survey (OCS)

PUBLICATION DATE 2011-05-01

TITLE

USMaritimeLimitsNBoundaries

EDITION 1

GEOSPATIAL DATA PRESENTATION FORM vector digital data

PUBLICATION INFORMATION

PUBLICATION PLACE Silver Spring, MD

PUBLISHER NOAA's Ocean Service, Office of Coast Survey (OCS)

ONLINE LINKAGE <http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/csdl/mbound.htm>

TYPE OF SOURCE MEDIA digital download (ESRI shapefile)

SOURCE TIME PERIOD OF CONTENT

TIME PERIOD INFORMATION

SINGLE DATE/TIME

CALENDAR DATE 2011-05-01



SOURCE CURRENTNESS REFERENCE

publication date

SOURCE CITATION ABBREVIATION

US EEZ

SOURCE CONTRIBUTION

This source marine boundary was used to generate template shapefiles, which were copied and used when Regulatory Area boundaries followed portions of the US Exclusive Economic Zone.

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CALENDAR DATE 2011-05-01

SOURCE CURRENTNESS REFERENCE

publication date

SOURCE CITATION ABBREVIATION

Territorial Sea

SOURCE CONTRIBUTION

This source marine boundary was used when Regulatory Area boundaries followed portions of the limit of the US Territorial Sea (12nmi line).

SOURCE INFORMATION

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ORIGINATOR Department of Commerce (DOC), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service (NOS), Special Projects (SP)

PUBLICATION DATE 1998

TITLE

NOAA's Medium Resolution Digital Vector Shoreline (1998) for the Contiguous United States

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PUBLICATION INFORMATION

PUBLICATION PLACE Silver Spring, MD

PUBLISHER NOAA's Ocean Service, Special Projects (SP)

ONLINE LINKAGE <http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/mgg/shorelines/noaamrdvs.html>

SOURCE SCALE DENOMINATOR 70000

TYPE OF SOURCE MEDIA digital download (ESRI shapefile)

SOURCE TIME PERIOD OF CONTENT

TIME PERIOD INFORMATION

RANGE OF DATES/TIMES

BEGINNING DATE 1988

ENDING DATE 1992

SOURCE CURRENTNESS REFERENCE

publication date

SOURCE CITATION ABBREVIATION

NOAA Medium Resolution Shoreline

#### SOURCE CONTRIBUTION

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##### SOURCE CITATION

##### CITATION INFORMATION

ORIGINATOR DOC/NOAA/NESDIS/NGDC > National Geophysical Data Center, NESDIS, NOAA, U.S. Department of Commerce

PUBLICATION DATE 2009

##### TITLE

ETOPO1 1 Arc-Minute Global Relief Model

EDITION First

GEOSPATIAL DATA PRESENTATION FORM raster digital data

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PUBLICATION PLACE not specified

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##### OTHER CITATION DETAILS

Amante, C. and B.W. Eakins, 2009. ETOPO1 1 Arc-Minute Global Relief Model: Procedures, Data Sources and Analysis. NOAA Technical Memorandum NESDIS NGDC-24. National Geophysical Data Center, NOAA. doi:10.7289/V5C8276M.

ONLINE LINKAGE <http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/mgg/global/global.html>

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[http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/mgg/global/relief/ETOPO1/data/bedrock/grid\\_registered/binary/etopo1\\_bed\\_g\\_f4.zip](http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/mgg/global/relief/ETOPO1/data/bedrock/grid_registered/binary/etopo1_bed_g_f4.zip)

TYPE OF SOURCE MEDIA digital download (4-byte, 32-bit float)

##### SOURCE TIME PERIOD OF CONTENT

##### TIME PERIOD INFORMATION

##### SINGLE DATE/TIME

CALENDAR DATE 2009

SOURCE CURRENTNESS REFERENCE

publication date

SOURCE CITATION ABBREVIATION

ETOPO1

SOURCE CONTRIBUTION

This source topography dataset was used to derive bathymetric contour lines.

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Template Generation] Many NMFS Regulated Areas in Northeast and Mid-Atlantic Waters (Regulated Areas) share boundaries that are partially coincident with any combination of the following: 1) the U.S. Atlantic coastline; 2) the Submerged Lands Act boundary; 3) the U.S.-Canada Maritime Boundary in the Gulf of Maine; 4) the outward extent of the U.S. Exclusive Economic Zone (a.k.a. the "200-nautical mile line"). To standardize Regulated Area features sharing these boundaries, published shapefiles of the shared administrative boundaries were obtained from the authoritative agencies. A shoreline was selected that was suitable for general mapping purposes, freely and publicly available, of medium-resolution, and covering the extent of the U.S.. When necessary, the boundaries were transformed to NAD83. A series of template polygon shapefiles were then generated, using these authoritative boundaries as the outward extents of the polygon. All templates were generated in NAD83 geographic coordinate system. The templates created are: 1) Coast-to-EEZ: bounded by the coastline, the U.S.-Canada Maritime Boundary, the U.S. EEZ, and 81°W longitude off the southern extent of Florida (an arbitrary cut-off for the Atlantic); 2) Coast-to-SLA: bounded by the coastline, the U.S.-Canada Maritime Boundary, the Submerged Lands Act boundary, and 81°W longitude off the southern extent of Florida; 3) SLA-to-EEZ: bounded by the Submerged Lands Act boundary, the U.S.-Canada Maritime Boundary, the U.S. EEZ, and 81°W longitude off the southern extent of Florida. These templates were subsequently copied and edited, as needed by the Regulated Area spatial definitions.

PROCESS DATE 2013

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Get Definition Text] The current legal spatial definition for the Regulated Area was copied from the e-CFR website.

PROCESS DATE 2018

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

2 EDITS (Densification version) [Features From Templates] The (Coast-to-EEZ, Coast-to-SLA, SLA-to-EEZ) template shapefile was copied. If necessary, the coordinates of the Regulated Area definition were converted to Decimal Degrees. To generate the Regulated Area boundary in ArcGIS, the template polygon was split by connecting these points in the order specified in the spatial definition. When the spatial definition specified that points were connected by following a straight line, rhumb lines were constructed. As an exception, points intended to fall along the U.S.-Canada Maritime Boundary were connected by following the geodesic line that legally defines that international boundary. When the spatial definition specified that points were connected by following the

(Coastline, SLA, EEZ) the coinciding outward extent of the template polygon was used. After all points were appropriately connected, any portions of the template outside the defined Regulated Area were discarded. When multiple Regulated Areas are a part of a larger grouping of related Regulated Areas, these steps were repeated to generate a unique feature for each Regulated Area and the features were then combined into a single shapefile. The file was projected to NAD83 Mercator Projection, and the boundaries were densified with consecutive vertices spaced no more than 10 nautical miles apart to preserve rhumb line paths in other coordinate systems. The file was projected back to the un-projected NAD83 coordinate system.

PROCESS DATE 2018

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[COLREGS] Where specified in the Regulated Area definition, inshore and offshore waters were separated following COLREGS lines. These inlet/bay crossings were drawn after consulting a combination of a) the COLREGS definitions in 33 CFR 80, b) the NOAA Coastal Services Center COLREGS shapefile, and c) the NOAA Medium Resolution Shoreline shapefile because COLREGS lines described by a single source may not always fully cross the specified waterway as depicted by the source shoreline data set.

PROCESS DATE 2018

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

(Densification) [Features, No Template] If necessary, the coordinates of the Regulated Area were converted to Decimal Degrees. To generate the Regulated Area boundary in ArcGIS, these points were connected in the order specified in the spatial definition. When the spatial definition specified that points were connected by following a straight line, rhumb lines were constructed. When multiple Regulated Areas are a part of a larger grouping of related Regulated Areas, these steps were repeated to generate a unique feature for each Regulated Area and the features were then combined into a single shapefile. The file was projected to NAD83 Mercator Projection, and the boundaries were densified with consecutive vertices spaced no more than 10 nautical miles apart to preserve rhumb line paths in other coordinate systems. The file was projected back to the un-projected NAD83 coordinate system.

PROCESS DATE 2018

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Add Attributes] The standardized attribute schema was applied to the shapefile, and the fields were defined.

PROCESS DATE 2018

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Policy Review] The Regulated Area spatial definition text, shapefile geometry and attribute values were reviewed with policy staff to verify that the shapefile accurately depicted and described the intended boundaries.

PROCESS DATE 2018

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Check Geometry] The ESRI ArcGIS Check Geometry tool was run on the shapefile to identify any geometry problems. If problems were encountered, they were reviewed and corrected.

PROCESS DATE 2018

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Metadata] A GARFO Regulated Area shapefile metadata template was developed using the EPA Metadata Editor v3.2. This template was applied and customized to reflect the specific characteristics of the given shapefile. The metadata was validated for FGDC CSDGM compliance.

PROCESS DATE 2018

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Final Review] The shapefile was reviewed by members of the GARFO GIS Committee, policy experts from the GARFO Division responsible for the Regulated Area, and General Counsel, according to the GARFO GIS Data Distribution Policy.

PROCESS DATE 2018

PROCESS STEP

PROCESS DESCRIPTION

[Publication] The shapefile, with accompanying metadata, was uploaded for public download on the NOAA NMFS GARFO GIS website.

PROCESS DATE 2018-04-09

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## Spatial Reference ►

HORIZONTAL COORDINATE SYSTEM DEFINITION

GEOGRAPHIC

LATITUDE RESOLUTION 0.000001

LONGITUDE RESOLUTION 0.000001

GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATE UNITS Decimal degrees

GEODETTIC MODEL

HORIZONTAL DATUM NAME North American Datum of 1983

ELLIPSOID NAME Geodetic Reference System 1980

SEMI-MAJOR AXIS 6378137.000000

DENOMINATOR OF FLATTENING RATIO 298.257222

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## Entities and Attributes ►

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

ENTITY TYPE

ENTITY TYPE LABEL Regulated Area

ENTITY TYPE DEFINITION

NMFS Regulated Areas in Northeast and Mid-Atlantic Waters

ENTITY TYPE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL FID

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

Internal feature number

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE ESRI

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

System-generated internal feature number

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL Shape

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

Feature geometry

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE ESRI

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Coordinate geometry

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL GARFO\_ID

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

A unique identifier used to identify and track this feature; a new GARFO\_ID is generated for each version of a Regulated Area (i.e. whenever boundaries or attributes are changed, edited or updated)

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

System-generated number

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL AREANAME

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

Official name of the Regulated Area, usually the area name as printed in the CFR

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text name

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL COMMNAME

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

Most commonly used name. May be identical to AREANAME, an abbreviation of AREANAME, or a different name altogether.

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text name



ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL AREAGROUP

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

Specifies if the Regulated Area is part of a group of related areas

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text name

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL DESCRIBE

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

A brief description of the purpose of the Regulated Area

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text description

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRTITLE

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

CFR Title citation where the Regulated Area is legally defined

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text name

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRPT

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

CFR Part citation where the Regulated Area is legally defined

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text citation

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRPTTXT

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

CFR Part citation header text

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text name

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRSUB

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

CFR Subpart citation where the Regulated Area is legally defined

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text citation

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRSUBTXT

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

CFR Subpart citation header text

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text name

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRSXN

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

CFR Section citation where the Regulated Area is legally defined

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text citation

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRSXNTXT

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

CFR Section citation header text

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text name

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRPARA

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

CFR Paragraph citation where the Regulated Area is legally defined

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text citation

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CFRPARATXT

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

CFR Paragraph citation header text

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text name

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL FRCITE

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

Federal Register citation of original Regulated Area spatial definition, or last modification to the spatial definition, whichever is most recent. Refers to SPATIAL DEFINITION ONLY. Subsequent FR notices may have modified the requirements affecting waters within or outside this Regulated Area.

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text name

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL FRDATE

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

Federal Register citation date of original Regulated Area spatial definition, or the last modification to the spatial definition, whichever is most recent. Refers to SPATIAL DEFINITION ONLY. Subsequent FR notices may have modified the requirements affecting waters within or outside this Regulated Area.

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Date

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL EFFECTDATE

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

Date Regulated Area officially became law, or most recent modification

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Date

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL SOURCE

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

If Regulated Area is defined in the CFR, this is the citation for the Amendment/Framework/etc. that established the area. If the Regulated Area is not defined in the CFR, this is the alternative source citation establishing the Regulated Area.

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text citation

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL RECURST

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

Annually recurring date Regulated Area becomes active

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Date

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL RECUREND

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

Annually recurring date Regulated Area becomes inactive

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Date

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL GISAUTHOR

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

Name of the NOAA staff person who created the GIS feature

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Name

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL CREATED

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

Creation date of the GIS feature

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Date

ATTRIBUTE

ATTRIBUTE LABEL AREANOTES

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION

Miscellaneous notes regarding the Regulated Area or feature

ATTRIBUTE DEFINITION SOURCE GARFO

ATTRIBUTE DOMAIN VALUES

UNREPRESENTABLE DOMAIN

Free text description

OVERVIEW DESCRIPTION

ENTITY AND ATTRIBUTE OVERVIEW

Entity Attributes provide reference information for the Regulated Areas represented. Attributes provide citations for the legal spatial definition and originating documents, and currentness information for each area.

ENTITY AND ATTRIBUTE DETAIL CITATION

FIELDS\_Map.xlsx fully describes the Attribute Schema used for regulated area GIS data sets. To access this document, see the Contact Information.

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METADATA STANDARD VERSION FGDC-STD-001-1998

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