

Black Sea Bass Research Track Stock Assessment Working Group

Meeting #11

Friday, April 8, 2022

1:00PM - 3:00PM

AGENDA

1. Welcome & roll call - 5 min
2. Updates on outreach for the BSB stakeholder meeting- 15 min (Mercer)
 - a. The meeting link and registration are live on the [BSB WG webpage](#)
 - b. NEFSC [April Science Highlights](#) newsletter went out 4/4 and included a blurb and listing in "Upcoming Events".
 - c. Please share this [RSVP link](#) along with the [BSB WG webpage](#) with your personal networks - especially industry contacts - to help promote.
 - d. Update on stakeholder conversations
 - i. # of
 - ii. Topics:
 1. Gear selectivity
 2. Changes in migration, abundance
 3. Socio-economic impacts on fishing operations
 4. Food habits
3. Discard Mortality Discussion and Decision Making - 15 min (Tabendera)
 - a. Discard mortality rate literature review summary [here](#)
 - b. Previous discard mortality assumptions:
 - i. Trawl/gillnet: 100%
 - ii. Non-trawl: 15%
 - iii. Recreational: 15%
 - c. Discussion:
 - i. Do we maintain discard mortality estimates/assumptions? (needed for ASAP and WHAM)
 - ii. Are there specific additional analyses that we want to see to enable the WG to make a decision on maintaining or changing discard mortality estimates/assumptions?
4. Commercial Data - 50 min (Curti)
5. Commercial CPUE - 30 min (Jones)