

Table 2. A preliminary list of NMFS's susceptibility attributes and proposed scoring thresholds.

Susceptibility Attribute	Ranking		
	Low (1)	Moderate (2)	High (3)
Management Strategy	Targeted stocks have catch limits and proactive accountability measures; non-target stocks are closely monitored.	Targeted stocks have catch limits and reactive accountability measures	Targeted stocks do not have catch limits or accountability measures; non-target stocks are not closely monitored.
Areal Overlap	< 25% of stock occurs in the area fished	Between 25% and 50% of the stock occurs in the area fished	> 50% of stock occurs in the area fished
Geographic Concentration	stock is distributed in > 50% of its total range	stock is distributed in 25% to 50% of its total range	stock is distributed in < 25% of its total range
Vertical Overlap	< 25% of stock occurs in the depths fished	Between 25% and 50% of the stock occurs in the depths fished	> 50% of stock occurs in the depths fished
Fishing rate relative to M	<0.5	0.5 - 1.0	>1
Biomass of Spawners (SSB) or other proxies	B is > 40% of B0 (or maximum observed from time series of biomass estimates)	B is between 25% and 40% of B0 (or maximum observed from time series of biomass estimates)	B is < 25% of B0 (or maximum observed from time series of biomass estimates)
Seasonal Migrations	Seasonal migrations decrease overlap with the fishery	Seasonal migrations do not substantially affect the overlap with the fishery	Seasonal migrations increase overlap with the fishery
Schooling/Aggregation and Other Behavioral Responses	Behavioral responses decrease the catchability of the gear	Behavioral responses do not substantially affect the catchability of the gear	Behavioral responses increase the catchability of the gear [i.e., hyperstability of CPUE with schooling behavior]
Morphology Affecting Capture	Species shows low selectivity to the fishing gear.	Species shows moderate selectivity to the fishing gear.	Species shows high selectivity to the fishing gear.
Survival After Capture and Release	Probability of survival > 67%	33% < probability of survival < 67%	Probability of survival < 33%
Desirability/Value of the Fishery	stock is not highly valued or desired by the fishery (< \$1/lb; < \$500K/yr landed; < 33% retention)	stock is moderately valued or desired by the fishery (\$1 - \$2.25/lb; \$500k - \$10,000K/yr landed; 33-66% retention)	stock is highly valued or desired by the fishery (> \$2.25/lb; > \$10,000K/yr landed; > 66% retention)
Fishery Impact to EFH or Habitat in General for Non-targets	Adverse effects absent, minimal or temporary	Adverse effects more than minimal or temporary but are mitigated	Adverse effects more than minimal or temporary and are not mitigated