

Science, Service, Stewardship



National Marine Fisheries Service
Office of Sustainable Fisheries

Catch Share Policy Implementation
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Catch Shares – Current Situation

- Administration Priority – Catch Share Policy
 - Encourage well-designed programs
 - Reduce barriers/address impediments
 - Inform and educate about options and capabilities
 - Encourage/organize collaborative efforts with interested parties to address design and implementation issues
- \$36.6M increase requested in FY11 President’s Budget
 - Uncertain future
 - Effects on newly implemented programs
 - Effects on national priorities
- 15 Catch Share Programs implemented
 - What is on the horizon?



Catch Shares Implementation – What's Next

- Organization/Coordination
- Budget/Performance Reporting
- Policy Issues
- Build Expertise and Capabilities
- Outreach and Education



Organization/Coordination

- Policy and Program Implementation – Office of Sustainable Fisheries
 - Catch Share Policy Coordinator – Kelly Denit
 - Catch Share Team – Galen Tromble + staff
 - NMFS Advisors
 - Working Group
- Catch Share Task Force
- Referral Group



Budget/Performance Measures

- FY11 budget – working on contingency plans
- Performance Reporting
 - New CS performance measure
 - Revisions to “LAPP” quarterly report.
 - Current: status of current and developing programs
 - Future: more narrative, management and performance data



Policy Issues

- Develop guidance to address priority policy issues
- Design and implementation issues raised in policy:
 - RFAs/Community issues
 - Goal setting and performance monitoring
 - Harvest privileges/excessive shares
 - Enforcement and compliance
 - Monitoring and data collection
 - Cost recovery/royalties
- Format
- Technical workshops/process
- Information exchange/outreach/information transfer



Communication, Outreach, and Education

- Reinforce the validity of the policy
- Improve catch share literacy
- Support for potential catch share programs



Build Expertise and Capabilities

- Referral network
- Provide access to external expertise
- Facilitate peer-to-peer information exchange
- Address common/compatible capabilities and infrastructure tasks and data needs



Next Steps

- Council input on priorities
 - Some is embedded in policy
 - Will need to make choices
- Any input on what we've identified?
- Any additional thoughts?