



# ***N.C. FMP for Interjurisdictional Fisheries***

Draft Amendment 2

*DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY*

Marine Fisheries

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# Overview




- Timeline
- Goal and Objectives
- Management Strategy



# Timeline

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- Marine Fisheries Commission approve goal and objectives of FMP
- Division draft FMP
- Division hold workshop to further develop draft FMP with plan advisory committee
- Division update draft plan for Marine Fisheries Commission presentation
- Marine Fisheries Commission vote to send draft FMP for public and advisory committee review
- Commission advisory committees meet to review draft FMP and receive public comment
- Marine Fisheries Commission select preferred management options
- Department of Environmental Quality secretary and legislative review of draft FMP
- Marine Fisheries Commission vote on final adoption of FMP
- Division and Marine Fisheries Commission implement management strategies

# Goal

To adopt FMPs, consistent with N.C. law, approved by the ASMFC or Councils by reference and implement corresponding fishery regulations in North Carolina to provide compliance or compatibility with approved FMPs and amendments, now and in the future.





# Objectives

- Participate fully, consistent with N.C. law, in all levels (advisory panels, technical committees, stock assessment subcommittees, plan development and review teams, management boards, monitoring committees and other committees) of the ASMFC and Councils processes for developing FMPs and amendments through appropriately informed NCDMF staff, NCMFC members, citizen advisors, and the public at large.
- Adopt management measures appropriate for North Carolina coastal waters to implement measures promulgated by the Secretary of Commerce or approved by the ASMFC necessary to implement FMPs, as well as to achieve sustainable harvest for ASMFC and Councils managed species.



# Objectives

- Promote education and public information to help identify the causes and nature of problems in the fish stocks managed by the ASMFC or Councils, their habitat and fisheries, and the rationale for management efforts to solve these problems.
- Develop and implement a management and regulatory process that provides the greatest overall benefit to the State, with respect to food production, recreational opportunities, and the protection of marine ecosystems, and that will produce a sustainable harvest.
- Support research on population ecology and dynamics, socioeconomic impacts, fisheries habitat, and environmental impacts for ASMFC and Councils managed species.





# *Potential Management Strategy*

## Simplify management of interjurisdictionally managed species

- Streamline management and reduce duplication of effort
- Process to retire N.C. species FMP
- Still managed under N.C. FMP for Interjurisdictional Fisheries and ASMFC or Councils FMP
- Annual updates given to MFC for ASMFC or Councils FMP
- MFC continues to advise division and submit comments to ASMFC and Councils



# Next Steps

## Discussion

Provide input on potential management strategies for Amendment 2

## Action Item

Vote on approval of the Goal and Objectives for Amendment 2





# Questions?

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