Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission

Atlantic Striped Bass Circle Hook Ad Hoc Committee

Draft Agenda

February 19, 2021 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Webinar

Webinar: https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/319009421

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The times listed are approximate; the order in which these items will be taken is subject to change; other items may be added as necessary.

1. Welcome & Introductions (J. Davis)

9:30 a.m.

2. **Review Committee Task** (T. Kerns & E. Franke)

9:40 a.m.

Striped Bass Management Board Motion from February 3, 2021:

Create an ad hoc committee established by the chair to develop a definition of bait that would require the use of circle hooks and method of fishing that would require the use of circle hooks and how to handle incidental catch. This committee will report back to the Striped Bass Board at a special Board meeting to take place early March 2021 or as soon as possible.

3. Discuss Definition of Bait Requiring the Use of Circle Hooks (J. Davis)

9:50 a.m.

- Meeting Materials: Table of bait definitions
- 4. Scope Additional Issues for Next Meeting (T. Kerns & E. Franke)

11:15 a.m.

- Methods of fishing that would require the use of circle hooks
- Incidental catch of striped bass while targeting other species with non-circle hooks

5. **Adjourn** 12:00 p.m.