

Reef Fish Committee: Action Schedule for Tab E

Agenda Item IV: SSC Review of Integrated Ecosystem Assessment – Management Strategy Evaluation – Single Species

Timeline Status: Informational

Council Input and Next Steps: The SSC representative will review a presentation made to the SSC on the use of management strategy evaluation (MSE) in an ecosystem context. The presentation by Dr. Bill Harford of the SEFSC’s Integrated Ecosystem Assessment Group illustrates applying MSE in a single species context to project how harvest control rules could address potential consequences of an external event such as red tide. In a follow-up presentation to be given at a future SSC meeting, another member of the group will expand the MSE process to a multi-species context.

Agenda Item V: Presentation – NOAA Ecosystem Based Fisheries Management Policy

Timeline Status:

Council Input and Next Steps: Ecosystem-based management (EBM) is an integrated approach that incorporates the entire ecosystem, including humans, into resource management decisions across all ocean-use sectors. NOAA Fisheries is advancing EBM for the fisheries sector through development of an Ecosystem-Based Fisheries Management (EBFM) Policy Statement and associated Roadmap. This presentation by Dr. Jason Link will provide an overview and update of the draft EBFM Policy Statement and Roadmap, how they relate to other efforts, and discuss how we’ll know when we’re doing EBFM. Dr. Link would like to get the Councils input on this important policy.

Agenda Item XII: Other Business

Timeline Status: Additional items that can be brought up for discussion, but no action can be taken since they have not been announced

Council Input and Next Steps: Additional items may be brought up for discussion by Committee members, time permitting. If the committee wishes to pursue action, then action can be scheduled at a future Council meeting.