

New England Fishery Management Council Program Review

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Why do a review?

- Good institutional practice
- Identify resource limitations and practices
- Learn from other organizations
- Improve processes

Background: Other Reviews

- Regional Fishery Management Organizations
- Pate/Touchstone report, 2011 (in binder)



RFMO Reviews

- FAO overview of reviews conducted 2004 – 2014 (in binder)
- “External” reviews but with “internal” members
- 9 months to three years
- Public meeting(s) and correspondence
- Contractor support varied

Common Themes

- Conservation and management of fish stocks
- Compliance with international obligations
- Legal framework, financial affairs, organization:
- Cooperation with other organizations

NEFMC Review

- Review panel approach
 - 3 managers, 3 scientists
- Contractor support
 - Stakeholder input
 - Administrative/meeting/drafting

Scope

- Foundations of management
 - Legislation
 - Policy directives
 - Scientific information
- Council processes
 - FMPs
- Review of representative actions
- Challenges and opportunities



Meeting

- Four days
- Public and non-public sessions
- Background panels
- Example actions
- Webinar access (unplanned)

Next Steps

- Final report (55 pages)
- Review and implementation



http://s3.amazonaws.com/nefmc.org/Final_ProgramReview_Report_050318.pdf

Suggestions

- Focused TORs
- Stakeholder input structure
- Panel membership

Questions?