

ZONE C OPEN MEETING

21 July 2009

WRLC INDUSTRY CONGRESS 24th & 25th JULY

- ** KEEPING ON MESSAGE, KEEP TO THE THEME **
- ** STICK TOGETHER AND BACK EACH OTHER UP **
- ** IF OUTCOMES ARE IN DOUBT, PUT IT TO A VOTE **

(1). DECISION RULES FRAMEWORK

- ESTABLISHING AN INDUSTRY DRIVEN "DECISION RULES FRAMEWORK"
- DECISION RULES FRAMEWORK IS NEEDED TO RESTORE COMMON SENSE WITHIN THE INDUSTRY
- DECISION RULES FRAMEWORK TO INCORPORATE AN ACTION PLAN THAT RESPONDS TO DIFFERENT SITUATIONS FACING THE INDUSTRY (GOOD, BAD & UGLY)
- FRAMEWORK TO INCORPORATE ALL VERIFIABLE AND OBSERVED STOCK ASSESSMENT MARKERS (INCLUDING PUERULUS, POST PUERULI COUNTS, 1 & 3 YEAR OLD SURVEYS, IBSS, FUTURE TAGGING STUDIES etc)
- THE ACTION PLAN TO BE WRITTEN OUT AND AGREED UPON BEFORE THE EVENT OCCURS
- FRAMEWORK TO ALSO INCLUDE AND CONSIDER OUTSIDE IMPACTS ON FISHING ACTIVITY (eg. MPAs etc) - OUTSIDE IMPACTS OF MPAs NEED TO BE EVALUATED TO DETERMINE THEIR LEVEL OF EFFECTIVENESS AS A TOOL FOR CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABILITY
- OUTSIDE IMPACTS ON FISHING ACTIVITY
- THE DECISION RULES FRAMEWORK NEEDS TO CONSIDER THE BIOLOGICAL, SOCIAL & ECONOMICAL CONSIDERATIONS WITHIN THE INDUSTRY
- FRAMEWORK TO INCLUDE APPROPRIATELY SET "TRIGGER" POINTS THAT ARE AUTOMATICALLY "TRIGGERED" SHOULD THESE POINTS BE REACHED
- FRAMEWORK TO HAVE FLEXIBILITY TO INCORPORATE GOOD & BAD SITUATIONS
- FRAMEWORK TO FORM THE BASIS OF FUTURE MANAGEMENT DECISIONS UNDER A CO-MANAGEMENT ARRANGEMENT WHEREBY FISHERMEN TAKE GREATER RESPONSIBILITY IN THE MANAGEMENT OF THE FISHERY

(2). ONE FAILED PUERULUS SETTLEMENT, THE OTHER TWO WERE NOT OUT OF THE ORDINARY CONSIDERING THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS

- ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS INCLUDING ENSO & ?IOD EVENTS? IMPACTING ON SETTLEMENT
- IDENTIFYING OTHER POTENTIAL FACTORS IMPACTING SUCCESSFUL SETTLEMENT
- OVERALL WESTERLIES & EASTERLIES DURING THE WINTER PERIOD

(3). THE NEED TO REMOVE OUR HEAVY RELIANCE ON ONE PARTICULAR MARKER (THE ANNUAL PUERULUS COUNT)

- WE ARE NOW IN UNCHARTERED WATERS WITH RESPECT TO THE RESULTS OF ONE MARKER, THEREFORE THERE EXISTS A STRONG REQUIREMENT TO HAVE THIS MARKER CROSS-CHECKED AGAINST OTHER STOCK STATUS MARKERS TO CHECK ITS FUTURE EFFECTIVENESS AND ACCURACY
- FUTURE STOCK STATUS MARKERS TO ALSO INCLUDE EXTENSIVE 1 & 3 YEAR OLD JUVENILE SURVEYS, IBSS, EXTENSIVE TAGGING STUDIES, DEEPER WATER SETTLEMENT STUDIES ETC AS REQUIRED
- THE NEED TO INCORPORATE REAL TIME OBSERVATIONS TO REMOVE OUR HEAVY RELIANCE ON ONE MARKER
- REAL TIME OBSERVATIONS OF FISHERMEN SHOULD BE RECOGNISED BY THE FISHERY AND COST-EFFECTIVE WAYS OF CONDUCTING RESEARCH REVIEWED WITH GREATER INDUSTRY PARTICIPATION AND INVOLVEMENT
- THE RECENT AND VERY DELIBERATE FOCUS ON NEGATIVE AND HIGHLY UNLIKELY POTENTIAL SCENARIOS ALSO NEEDS TO BE HIGHLIGHTED

Zone C 50%

Combined meeting suggested.

25th November commence fishing, 5 day week, 77 mm gauge and 54 gaps.

Or will give same result.

25th November commence fishing, 5 day week, 77 gauge whites, reds 76 mm gauge, 55 mm gaps.

Other suggestions.

Commence fishing 1st December.

78 mm Deep water 15th December 2009/15th January 2010 to save A's being frozen during the peaks.

Pots lifts Zone C.

2007/2008 if all boats fished average 140 days and 2009/2010 fish 120 days.

2007/2008 pots fished .82% 29206 pots.

Average pot lifts 140 per boat equals 4,088.840 pots lifts.

2009/2010 pots fished .50% 17,723 pots.

Say average fishing 120 pot lifts per boats equals 2,126,760 pot lifts.

Saving of pot lifts equals 1,962.080 pot lifts.