

**FINAL
SUMMARY REPORT
SEDAR COMMITTEE MEETING
Atlantic Beach, NC
December 7, 2015**

The Committee received reports on SEDAR projects, the SEDAR Steering Committee meeting and the NMFS Stock Assessment Prioritization plan.

The Committee was briefed on the assessment schedule and developments with blueline tilefish in particular. Since an additional genetics study sponsored by SEFSC will be available in May 2015, the SSC discussion of stock ID will be delayed until results of that work can be considered. A multi-jurisdictional workshop is planned, to include representatives from the SAFMC and MAFMC SSCs and staff, NEFSC and SEFSC, and SERO and GARFO along with the life history researchers and others who would typically attend a SEDAR stock ID workshop. Consideration will be given to biological stock ID as well as how to handle a biological stock potentially overlapping management jurisdictions.

Clarification was provided on the assessment revisions necessary to address MRIP data updates. Revised recreational data through the terminal year of the existing assessment will be updated. This will provide a rapid means to bring these assessment and the resulting fishing level recommendations on equal footing with the current recreational survey methods. A newsletter story will be developed to explain the purpose for and approach used for these revision assessments.

No motions were made.