



## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### **Fisheries of the South Atlantic; Southeast Data, Assessment, and Review (SEDAR);**

#### **Public Meeting**

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of SEDAR 102 Review Workshop for Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC) Atlantic Menhaden and Ecological Reference Points.

**SUMMARY:** The review of the SEDAR 102 Assessment of Atlantic Menhaden and Ecological Reference Points will be conducted via an in-person review workshop. See

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

**DATES:** The SEDAR 102 ASMFC Atlantic Menhaden and Ecological Reference Points Review Workshop is scheduled for August 12-15, 2025. The meetings on August 12-14 will be held from 8:30 a.m. until 6 p.m. Eastern each day. The meeting on August 15 will be held from 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Eastern.

#### **ADDRESSES:**

*Meeting address:* The SEDAR 102 Review Workshop will be held at the Doubletree Hotel, 5264 International Blvd, North Charleston, SC 29418. The meeting will be livestreamed. Individuals may register by going to the SEDAR website: [www.sedarweb.org](http://www.sedarweb.org). The established times may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the timely completion of discussion relevant to the assessment process. Such adjustments may result in the meeting being extended from or completed prior to the time established by this notice.

*SEDAR address:* South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, North Charleston, SC 29405, [www.sedarweb.org](http://www.sedarweb.org).

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

The Gulf, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils, in conjunction with NMFS and the Atlantic and Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commissions have implemented the Southeast Data, Assessment and Review (SEDAR) process, a multi-step method for determining the status of fish stocks in the Southeast Region. SEDAR is a multi-step process including: 1) Data/Assessment Workshop, and 2) a series of webinars. The product of the Data/Assessment Workshop is a report which compiles and evaluates potential datasets and recommends which datasets are appropriate for assessment analyses, and describes the fisheries, evaluates the status of the stock, estimates biological benchmarks, projects future population conditions, and recommends research and monitoring needs. Participants for SEDAR Workshops are appointed by the Gulf, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils and NMFS Southeast Regional Office, HMS Management Division, and Southeast Fisheries Science Center. Participants include data collectors and database managers; stock assessment scientists, biologists, and researchers; constituency representatives including fishermen, environmentalists, and NGO's; International experts; and staff of Councils, Commissions, and state and federal agencies.

The items of discussion in the SEDAR 102 Review Workshop are as follows:

Participants will evaluate the data and assessment reports as specified in the Terms of Reference, to determine if they are scientifically sound.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the intent to take final action to address the emergency.

### **Special Accommodations**

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council office (see ADDRESSES) at least 5 business days prior to each workshop.

Note: The times and sequence specified in this agenda are subject to change.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.

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