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Lloyd's Register Eastern Canada Offshore Scallop MSC Fishery Announcement



1 Marine Stewardship Council fishery announcement

Table	1 – Fishery announceme	ent			
1	Fishery name				
	Eastern Canada Offshore Scallop				
2	Assessment number				
	2nd re-assessment				
3	Reduced reassessment (No)				
	N.A.				
4	Statement that the fishery is within scope				
	LR reviewed the previous assessment reports for the fishery under re-assessment as well as produced the Announcement Comment Draft Report, and can confirm the fishery is in scope in accordance with requirements at §7.4 in the MSC FCP V2.1.				
5	Unit(s) of Assessment - UoA(s) (Provisional - will be confirmed in accordance with MSC FCP V2.1 7.17.3)				
	UoA 1	Description			
	Species	Sea scallop (<i>Placopecten magellanicus</i>)			
	Stock	The ECOSF is restricted to Scallop Fishing Areas 10, 11, 12, 25, 26 & 27.			
		The Eastern Scotian Shelf (SFA 25)Browns and German Bank (SFA 26)			
	Harvest method / gear	New Bedford scallop rakes / dredge			
	Client group	Successful certification of the fishery will apply to the following companies and their vessels: • Adams and Knickle Limited • Clearwater Seafoods Limited Partnership • Comeau's Sea Foods Limited • LaHave Seafoods Limited • Ocean Choice International Limited Partnership • Mersey Seafoods Limited			
	Other eligible fishers All of the offshore scallop licenced vessels are art of the client group. There are other eligible fishers				

Certificate sharing statement



There are no other eligible fishers.

7 Name of proposed team leader

Paul Knapman - Team leader & Principle 3 expert

Paul is an independent consultant based in Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. Paul began his career in fisheries nearly 30 years ago as a fisheries officer in the UK, responsible for the enforcement of UK and EU fisheries regulations. He then worked with the UK government's nature conservation advisors (1993-2001), as their Fisheries Programme Manager, responsible for establishing and developing an extensive programme of work with fisheries managers, scientists, the fishing industry and ENGOs, researching the effects of fishing and integrating nature conservation requirements into national and European fisheries policy and legislation.

Between 2001-2004 he was Head of the largest inshore fisheries management organisation in England, with responsibility for managing an extensive area of inshore fisheries on the North Sea coast. The organisations responsibilities and roles included: stock assessments; setting and ensuring compliance with allowable catches; developing and applying regional fisheries regulations; the development and implementation of fisheries management plans; acting as the lead authority for the largest marine protected area in England.

In 2004, Paul moved to Canada and established his own consultancy providing analysis, advisory and developmental work on fisheries management policy in Canada and Europe. He helped draft the management plan for one of Canada's first marine protected areas, undertook an extensive review on IUU fishing in the Baltic Sea and was appointed as rapporteur to the European Commission's Baltic Sea Regional Advisory Council.

In 2008, Paul joined Moody Marine as their Americas Regional Manager, with responsibility for managing and developing their regional MSC business. He became General Manager of the business in 2012. Paul has been involved as a lead assessor, team member and technical advisor/reviewer for more than 50 different fisheries in the MSC programme. He returned to fisheries consultancy in 2015.

Paul has passed MSC training and has no Conflict of Interest in relation to this fishery. Full CV available upon request

Leadership Experience: Paul has undertaken multiple MSC surveillance and assessments in the past 5 years.

8 Name(s) of proposed team members

Julian Addison - Principle 1 expert

Dr Julian Addison is an independent fisheries consultant with 30 years' experience of stock assessment and provision of management advice on shellfish fisheries, and a background of scientific research on shellfish biology and population dynamics and inshore fisheries. Until December 2010 he worked at the Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science (Cefas) in Lowestoft, England where he was Senior Shellfish Advisor to Government policy makers, which involved working closely with marine managers, legislators and stakeholders, Government Statutory Nature Conservation Organisations and environmental NGOs. He has experienced shellfish management approaches in North America as a visiting scientist at DFO in Halifax, Nova Scotia and at NMFS in Woods Hole, Massachusetts. For four years he was a member of the Scientific Committee and the UK delegation to the International Whaling Commission providing scientific advice to the UK Commissioner. He has worked extensively with ICES and was Chair of the Working Group on the Biology and Life History of Crabs, a member of the Working Group on Crangon Fisheries and Life History and a member of the Steering Group on Ecosystems Function. He has recently completed or is currently undertaking MSC full assessments for the Newfoundland and Labrador snow crab fishery, the Ireland and Northern Ireland bottom grown mussel fisheries, both the Estonia and Faroe Islands Barents Sea cold water prawn fisheries, the Nephrops fishery in the Skagerrak and Kattegat, the Swedish shrimp fishery in the Skagerrak and Norwegian Deep and the Eastern Canada offshore lobster fishery. He has also undertaken various MSC preassessments and surveillance audits and has carried out peer reviews of MSC assessments in both Europe and North America of lobster, cold water prawn, razorfish, cockle and scallop fisheries. Other recent work includes a review of the stock assessment model for blue crabs in Chesapeake Bay, USA, and an assessment of three Alaskan crab fisheries under the FAO-based Responsible Fisheries Management scheme.

Julian has passed MSC training and has no Conflict of Interest in relation to this fishery. Julian has completed the MSC RBF training in the past 3 years. Full CV available upon request



Gudrun Gaudian - Principle 2 expert

Dr Gudrun Gaudian is an experienced marine ecologist and taxonomist, including coastal and marine surveys, EIA's for development and tourism, and research projects in tropical and temperate seas. Work experience also includes coastal and marine management issues, such as identifying sustainable coastal development projects, as well as addressing conservation issues, including selection and planning of marine parks and reserves, sustainable utilisation of natural resources and community based management programmes. Projects have been undertaken in temperate, polar and tropical marine regions. For some years now, Dr Gaudian has been working in fisheries certification applying the Marine Stewardship Council standard for sustainable fisheries, currently concentrating on Principle 2 of the Standard. Furthermore, Dr Gaudian holds an LLM degree in Environmental Law and Management, giving a deeper understanding of law and policy dealing with such relevant issues as the Common Fisheries Policy, water and waste management, and international environmental law including EU environmental policy.

Gudrun has passed MSC training and has no Conflict of Interest in relation to this fishery. Full CV available upon request

9 Stakeholder opportunities

Stakeholders are encouraged to review the scoring presented in the Announcement Comment Draft Report (ACDR) and use the Stakeholder Input Form to provide evidence to the team of where changes to scoring are necessary.

The Stakeholder input from can be found here: https://www.msc.org/what-you-can-do/engage-with-a-fishery-assessment

Lloyd's Register will be accepting stakeholder submissions on the ACDR from 10th October 2019 for a period of 30 days (10th November 2019).

All stakeholder comments will be published ahead of the on-site visit, scheduled for week commencing the 18th November. Stakeholders are invited to organise a time to meet with the assessment team remotely, or in person, week commencing the 18th November. Please get in touch with Lloyd's Register at your earliest convenience to organise this.

Please note: a variation request was accepted by the MSC allowing Lloyd's Register to announce the reassessment of this fishery after the 90-day deadline from certificate expiry date. The full Variation Request and Response can be viewed on the MSC track a fishery webpage here:

 $https://fisheries.msc.org/en/fisheries/eastern-canada-offshore-scallop/@\ @\ assessments$

10 Assessment tree to be used

Default assessment tree v2.01

11 Estimated timeline

ACDR publication (30 -day stakeholder engagement)	30 / 60 d	11th October
Surveillance announcement (30-day stakeholder engagement)	30 d	11th October
Stakeholder input on ACDR published on MSC website		Before site visit
Site visit	~3 d	18th November
Surveillance Report Publication	60 d	19th Jan
Client + peer review draft report (60-day consultation)	60 d	27th Jan – 27th March
Publish PCDR to MSC, peer reviewers + stakeholders (30 days)	30 d	13 April - 13th May
Publish FDR + Objection template (15 -work-day objection period)	15 d	25h may - 15th June



	Publish PCR + labor policies form within 60 days	60 d	June		
	Certification (within 10 days of PCR)	10 d	29 June 2020		
12	Site visit				
	The site visit for this fishery will take place the week commencing 18th November in Halifax, Canac Stakeholders are invited to take part in the site visit remotely or in person. If you would like to speak with t team please notify us as soon as possible, and before the end of the consultation period for submission information (see below) – we can then arrange appropriate discussion opportunity.				
	The MSC provide guidance and templates for stakeholder contribution which can be found her https://www.msc.org/what-you-can-do/engage-with-a-fishery-assessment				
	A key purpose of the site visit is to collect information and to speak to stakeholders with an interest in t fishery. For those parts of the assessment involving the MSC's RBF see http://www.msc.org/abous/standards/methodologies/fam/msc-risk-based-framework , Please note we will be using a stakehold driven, qualitative analysis during the site visit. To achieve a robust outcome from this consultative approach we rely heavily on participation of a broad range of stakeholders with a balance of knowledge of the fisher we recourage any stakeholders with experience or knowledge of the fishery to participate in these meeting				
	(FCP v2.1 7.12.3 and Annex PF2.3.2)				
	RBF has been announced on PI 2.1.1 and 2.2.1 please see full RBF announcement for more details.				
13	Local Context				
	English is widely spoken in Canada.				
	Both Paul and Julian have had assignments in the region in the last 10	years.			
14	Traceability				
	Julian has completed the MSC traceability module in the last year.				
15	Risk Based Framework (RBF)				
	Julian has completed the RBF training.				

The Announcement Comment Draft Report (ACDR) for this fishery is now available for consultation on the fishery's Track a Fishery page. Please note this does not represent a final outcome, and the scores are based on a review of documents submitted by the client in the Client Document Checklist – we fully recognise changes may be necessary following the site visit and stakeholder comments. Stakeholders can submit comments on the report, which will be published on the MSC website ahead of the site visit. As this is a re-assessment, stakeholders have 30 days to submit comments, using the MSC Stakeholder Input form (available to download here). The deadline for information submission is therefore 10/11/19 at 5pm UTC.

Please see the MSC's Summary of Changes document, which includes an overview of the Fisheries Certification Process (FCP) V2.1, particularly in contrast to previous process versions. Following the ACDR consultation and site visit, stakeholders will also have the opportunity to participate at the following stages:

Public Comment Draft Report: This version of the report contains updated scores and rationale following the ACDR consultation, site visit, client and peer review. Stakeholders will have 30 days to review the report. If the PCDR is not published within 9 months of the date of this announcement, there will be an opportunity for stakeholders to submit new information to the CAB.

Final Draft Report: This presents the draft determination on whether the fishery passes or fails, and includes any changes following the public consultation, with responses to stakeholder input. An objection to the draft determination can be submitted within the 15 working day period (more details here).

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Annual surveillances: If the fishery is certified, annual surveillances will monitor progress on open conditions and check ongoing compliance with the standard – stakeholders will have the opportunity to participate annually.

If you are not on the stakeholder list for this fishery, and would like to be to ensure you are notified of the consultation opportunities, please sign up here – or contact the LR fisheries team at fisheries-ca@lr.org

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Appendix 1: Summaries of CVs of team leader and team members

Assessor summary CV's are available on request.



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A controlled document list of MSC program documents is available on the MSC website (msc.org)

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