

Scotian Shelf Snow Crab Trap Fishery

Client Group:

Affiliation of Seafood Producers Association of Nova Scotia (ASPANS)

Release of Public Draft Report for Stakeholder Comment

SAI Global would like to announce that the draft report on the MSC certification assessment of the above fishery is now available for comment by stakeholders for a period of 30 days. The scope of the assessment covers the **Scotian Shelf Snow Crab (*Chionoecetes opilio*) Trap Fishery, Snow Crab** caught using harvesting method **Conical crab pots (traps)**.

Stakeholders are invited to comment on the factual contents of the report, either in relation to the specific sections of the report or specific scoring indicators. In order for comments to be actionable, the provision of objective evidence is crucial and SAI Global can only consider information that is relevant, factual and substantiated.

Any input should both clearly relate to specific report sections or scoring indicators and be supported by data or literature citations. To assist in contributing relevant information and to ensure that any contributions have maximum impact stakeholders should use the [Stakeholder Input into MSC Fishery assessments](#) template alongside the [Stakeholder's Guide to the Marine Stewardship Council](#) when providing input.

Following receipt of comments from stakeholders, SAI Global will consider all available information and make a determination on whether the fishery should be certified. Following this determination, the final report will be made available.

The report is available at the MSC website <https://fisheries.msc.org/en/fisheries/scotian-shelf-snow-crab-trap/@assessments>

Comments on the report should be submitted by:

- **17:00 GMT, Thursday 6th July 2017**

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