

Recreational Red Abalone Fishery Management Plan Process

Proposed Next Steps for the Modelers:

These draft proposed next steps were originally shared at the May 22, 2019 Project Team meeting. Following that meeting, the Admin Team endorsed them and shared with the modelers for their review and to inform progress on their work leading up to the July 18, 2019 Project Team webinar and future meetings.

- (1) To develop a suite of proposed management strategies. These may include traffic light approaches, decision trees, and other frameworks for decision-making. These proposals will include various combinations of indicators (e.g. size structure analyses, kelp cover, density, body condition, etc.) and various recommended management actions (e.g. collect more data, reduce bag limit, close specific areas, etc.). The proposed approaches will be presented at the next Project Team meeting in July 2019 for vetting and refinement, and subsequently tested through Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE).
- (2) To revise the operating model (abalone dynamics and fishery dynamics) portion of the MSE detailed in the TNC-led collaborative proposal to address peer review recommendations including the incorporation of low density dynamics and environmental indicators.