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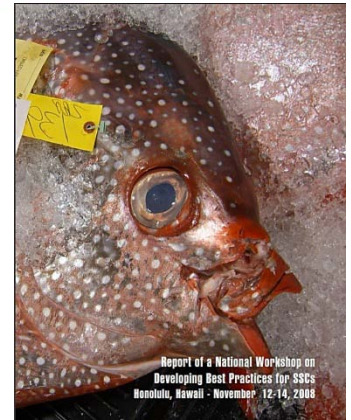
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Council Coordination Committee Meeting, May 18-20, 2010



1st National SSC Workshop

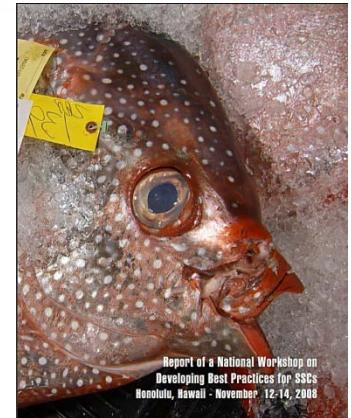


- Developing Best Practices for SSCs
 - SSC Structure and Practices.
 - ✓ Overview from each regional SSC
 - SSC role in peer review and catch limits
 - ✓ Overview from each regional SSC
 - ✓ Discussions

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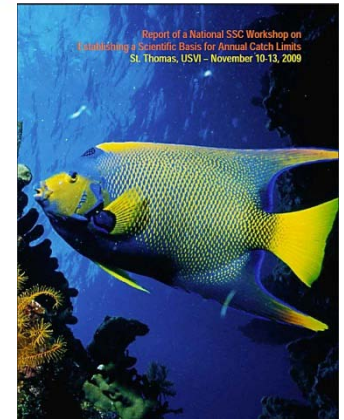


- Executive Summary
 - Regional differences exist in SSC operating procedures and practices in peer review
 - ✓ Reflects geographic and socioeconomic diversity
 - ✓ Fishery data availability
 - ACLs will be difficult in data limited regions
 - There is an increase in SSC responsibilities
 - SSCs should be final arbiter of BSIA

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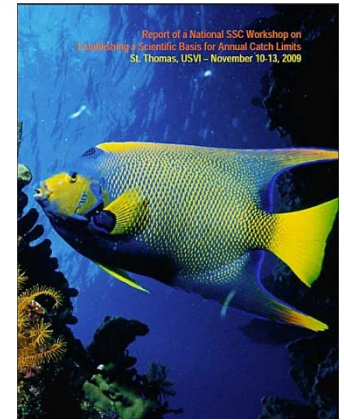


- Establishing a Scientific Basis for ACLs
 - National Standard 2: Best scientific information and role of SSC in the review of scientific information.
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 - National Standard 1: ACLS and scientific uncertainty
 - ✓ Overview from each regional SSC
 - ✓ Hitting the target (ACLs, max economic yield, management strategy evaluation, management uncertainty)
 - ✓ Other issues (catch shares, marine recreational information, marine protected areas, ecosystem)

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2nd National SSC Workshop



- Executive Summary
 - Different approaches exist for incorporating scientific uncertainty into ACLs
 - A general understanding was reached about the SSC's role to provide advice to the Council on what represents BSIA
 - The technical peer review should occur early enough into the process to inform the SSC when they make fishing level recommendations
 - SAFE reports should be requirement in all regions.
 - Development of a risk policy is a Council responsibility, informed by science

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3rd National SSC Workshop

- ABC Control Rule Implementation
 - Updates on ABC control rule progress.
 - ✓ Overview from each regional SSC
 - ✓ Developing fishing level recommends
 - Update on NS2 final rule
 - ✓ Review regional peer reviews from SSC
 - ✓ Role of SSC in peer review

Scheduled for 19-21 October 2010 in Charleston, SC

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