



**SEDAR97/GDAR04 Update Assessment:
Gulf Menhaden
Terms of Reference**

Terminal Year: 2023

1. Update the GDAR03 Assessment of Gulf Menhaden with data through 2023.
2. Document any changes or corrections made to input datasets and any additional data added for the update.
3. Document any changes in assessment methodology incorporated in to the update.
4. Update estimates of stock status and biological reference points. Provide declarations of stock status relative to the reference points.
5. Review the reviewer comments and research recommendations from SEDAR63, note any which have been completed, and make any necessary additions or clarifications.
6. Complete a stock assessment report to fully document the data, methods, and results of the stock assessment update.

The draft report shall be provided to the Menhaden Advisory Committee by October 2024 for review by the TCC through November 2024.