

Appendix H. Example Timeline involving Regional Management Advisory Committees in Management/Regulation Process

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Collection of fishery information													
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Review of fishery status by Dept.													
Review available information and evaluate the status of fishery													
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Receive input from public													
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regional advisory committees FGC reviews proposed regulations at early August public meeting; FGC takes public input and may ask Dept. to look at additional regulatory changes; Dept. prepares initial statements for regulatory package; FGC staff notice regulatory pkg. For full rulemaking action, FGC holds 2 additional meetings before making decision; public comments taken for 45-day period after notice published FGC makes decision; final regulatory pkg. submitted to Office of Administrative Law (OAL) OAL has 120 days to review rulemaking package													

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