

Canada American plaice (3LNO) - trawl

Overview

FIP Description

The general purpose of the Canada 3LNO American plaice FIP process is to improve the likelihood that this Canadian offshore fishery will pass the main assessment to receive MSC certification. Current markets for American plaice include the USA for fillets and Asia for H&G, with future market opportunities in Europe. MSC certification will be key for future sales opportunities. The FIP endeavors to improve information about the stock assessment, recovery planning, and fishery information on both target and bycatch species. Additional key goals for this FIP include habitat impact identification and improving management objectives and tools for the fishery.

The directed fishery for this stock of American plaice is currently in a moratorium. There is bycatch in other directed groundfish fisheries. The volume of catch is currently set at 0 and a control is set for bycatch.

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How is this FIP Doing?

Current Status:

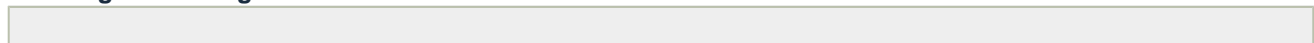
Actions Progress This shows the proportion of actions in the workplan that the FIP has completed.



Actions Overview This shows the proportion of actions that are behind schedule, on track, completed, or not yet started.

Behind	On Track	Complete	Future
33%	0%	67%	0%

FIP Progress Rating



FIP Objective(s)

The overall objective for this FIP is successful MSC certification of the fishery - individual FIP objectives expected to be achieved by December 2018 are:

- Project stock recovery time once SSB surpasses Blim.
- Confirm appropriateness of current stock model.
- Improve catch verification and estimation system.
- Evaluate catch profile and status of main bycatch species.
- Produce a fishery footprint relative to both sensitive and less sensitive benthic habitat.
- Develop an IFMP for the 3LNO American Plaice fishery addressing all elements for which PIs exist.
- Develop fishery-specific objectives and incorporate them into IFMP.

FIP Type

Comprehensive

FIP Stage

Stage 4: Improvements in Fishing Practices or Fishery Management

Start and Projected End Dates

November, 2013 -
December, 2025

Species

Common Name

American Plaice

Scientific Name

Hippoglossoides platessoides

Gear Type

Bottom Trawl

Location

— **FAO Major Fishing Area** _____

[Area 21 \(Atlantic, Northwest\)](#)

Exclusive Economic Zones

Country

Canada

Geographic Scope

Newfoundland

Regional Fisheries Management Organization (RFMO)

NAFO

Estimated Total FIP Landings

0 metric tons

FIP Leads

Organization Name

Atlantic Groundfish Council

Organization Type

NGO

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