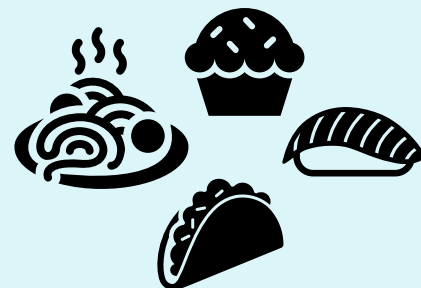


Status Update on the Gulf Fishery Ecosystem Plan

Acronyms

ETC	Ecosystem Technical Committee
FEP	Fishery Ecosystem Plan
FEI	Fishery Ecosystem Issue
O&E	Outreach and Education Technical Committee



Timeline

- 2020: ETC begins conversation on how to develop FEP and proposes mission statement, potential sections with their own goals and objectives.
- 2021: LGL contracted by Council
 - Draft FEP prepared by LGL
 - Case study and lessons learned
 - Stakeholder assessment and concept mapping
 - Indicator development for FEP



Council Member Ongoing Development

- Nov 2022: Information exchange about Ecosystem initiatives among the eight Regional Fishery Management Councils and NMFS



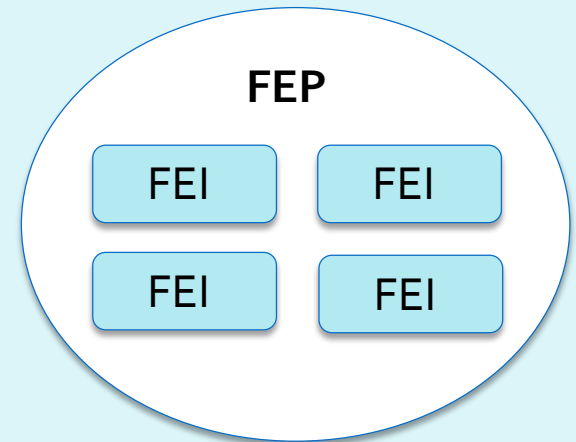
Timeline

- 2022-2023: Council accepts LGL's framework to begin discussion and operationalize FEP, and requests:
 - ETC develop goals and measurable objectives for the FEP and select up to 4 FEIs
 - Create criteria for prioritizing FEIs and utilize this criteria to recommend the top 4 FEIs
 - O&E to develop stakeholder engagement plan



Goals for this Meeting

- Develop a template on how the FEP would look like based on LGL's proposal (IV)
- If necessary, modify the FEI Loop to operationalize (IV and V)



Goals for this Meeting

- Develop metrics to prioritize the FEI selection or focus (VI)
- Recommend FEIs to the Council (VIII)
- Summarize discussions and next steps (IX)
- Update on Stakeholder Engagement Plan discussions by O&E (X)
- Based on this meeting, how to update the Ecosystem Status Report (XI)

