

COMMERCIAL SECTOR COMMERCIAL SALTWATER WORK GROUP

Consolidated Appropriations Act (CARES ACT 2.0) – FISHERIES

(Supports same activities as Sec. 12005 of the
Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act)

HISTORY CARES 1.0

- Commercial Saltwater Payout \$137,236.51
- 19 pre-qualified, 14 applicants, 12 recipients
- Not fully paid out. 43% of losses during selected time frame were paid out.
- \$296,095.12 (57%) remains in losses for applicants

HISTORY CARES 1.0

Sector	Allocation	Approved Funds Applied For	Funds Paid	% Funds Paid	\$ Loss Remaining	\$ Late Applications	Total \$ Loss Remaining
Commercial	\$1,066,848.00	\$1,343,717.76	\$1,066,847.64	79%	\$276,870.12	\$39,139.00	\$316,009.12
<i>Lobster and Crab/Aquaculture</i>	<i>\$1,002,837.00</i>	<i>\$929,611.13</i>	<i>\$929,611.13</i>	<i>100%</i>		<i>\$19,914.00</i>	<i>\$19,914.00</i>
<i>Commercial Saltwater</i>	<i>\$64,010.86</i>	<i>\$414,106.63</i>	<i>\$137,236.51</i>	<i>43%</i>	<i>\$276,870.12</i>	<i>\$19,225.00</i>	<i>\$296,095.12</i>
Seafood Sector	\$1,479,220.00	\$2,843,728.78	\$1,479,220.21	52%	\$1,364,508.57		\$1,364,508.57
For-Hire	\$114,400.10	\$229,994.83	\$114,400.12	50%	\$115,594.71		\$115,594.71
Totals	\$2,660,468.10	\$4,417,441.37	\$2,660,467.97		\$1,756,973.40	\$39,139.00	\$1,796,112.40

CARES 2.0

- March 29, 2021:
 - NOAA Fisheries announced allocation of \$255 million in fisheries assistance funding.
 - The funding supports activities previously authorized under CARES 1.0.
 - Allocated to states and territories with coastal and marine fishery participants who have been negatively affected by COVID-19.
- June 28, 2021- 1st NH Commercial Saltwater Sector Work Group Meeting

CARES ACT 2.0 CRITERIA

- **Same qualifying criteria as CARES 1.0**
- NH resident (person, LLC, company, etc.) only.
- >35% Economic Loss compared to 2015-2019 average.
- No minors
- Only Fisheries Related:
 - Qualifying: **Commercial Fishing**, For-Hire, Aquaculture, Seafood Processors/Dealers, and “Other” Related Fishery Businesses.
 - Non-Qualifying: Further down the supply chain; such as vessel repair, restaurants, or seafood retailers.

CARES ACT 2.0 CRITERIA (continued)

- Cannot compensate, state, local, or tribe for lost municipal or government tax revenue
- Only address fishery-related direct or indirect losses
- **Cannot apply to other federal programs for assistance to address the same impacts resulting from COVID-19.**
- **Cannot be compensated from all federal programs combined for assistance to address COVID-19 for more than related losses. “Cannot be made more than whole of loss”.**

NH CARES ACT PACKAGE

Entity	<i>Percentage of Total Annual Revenue (All Sectors)</i>				Allocation	After NOAA/ASMFC overhead
	For-Hire Fishing	<u>Commercial Fishing and Aquaculture</u>	Seafood Sector	Tribal Commercial Fishing, Aquaculture & For Hire		
New Hampshire	4.30%	40.10%	55.60%		\$3,000,000	\$2,959,612

NH Landings Value 2015-2020 All Species Except Lobster and Crab

Month/Year	January	February	March	April	May	June
2015	\$62,001	\$47,299	\$84,699	\$95,175	\$71,987	\$140,688
2016	\$17,049	\$60,958	\$80,507	\$119,544	\$44,214	\$39,057
2017	\$17,620	\$17,476	\$27,907	\$36,089	\$322	\$46,902
2018	\$30,809	\$26,376	\$23,768	\$97,152	\$19,131	\$36,775
2019	\$86,943	\$113,521	\$100,261	\$103,166	\$32,030	\$157,822
2020	\$91,330	\$27,167	\$24,386	\$69,761	\$29,467	\$259,507
Average Value 2015-2019	\$42,884	\$53,126	\$63,428	\$90,225	\$33,537	\$84,249
Percent Change in Value	113%	-49%	-62%	-23%	-12%	208%
Value of Loss		\$25,959	\$39,042	\$20,465	\$4,070	

Month/Year	July	August	September	October	November	December
2015	\$145,154	\$768,761	\$133,845	\$92,699	\$111,182	\$87,118
2016	\$147,299	\$315,819	\$404,453	\$474,895	\$84,986	\$90
2017	\$362,054	\$723,860	\$719,998	\$215,445	\$37,980	\$42,792
2018	\$430,822	\$827,486	\$468,965	\$205,463	\$72,615	\$54,019
2019	\$361,738	\$360,231	\$654,066	\$146,411	\$43,654	\$113,580
2020	\$397,785	\$600,259	\$320,541	\$351,910	\$57,351	\$62,533
Average Value 2015-2019	\$289,414	\$599,231	\$476,266	\$226,983	\$70,083	\$59,520
Percent Change in Value	37%	0%	-33%	55%	-18%	5%
Value of Loss			\$155,724		\$12,732	

NH Tuna Landings Value 2015-2020

Month/Year	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
2016	*	\$54,020	\$215,753	\$324,542	\$405,497	\$66,201	
2017	*	\$233,301	\$178,392	\$268,812	\$154,630		*
2018	*	\$176,799	\$378,457	\$364,721	\$134,497	\$56,710	*
2019	*	\$134,893	\$105,443	\$174,644	\$97,864		*
2020	\$6,113	\$43,296	\$165,864	\$126,109	\$89,924	\$22,737	\$15,276
Average Value 2015-2019	\$12,784	\$149,753	\$219,511	\$283,180	\$198,122	\$61,456	\$39,614
Percent Change in Value	-52%	-71%	-24%	-55%	-55%	-63%	-61%
Value of Loss	\$6,671	\$106,457	\$53,647	\$157,070	\$108,199	\$38,718	\$24,338

*Values removed to protect confidentiality

TASK

- Questions on CARES 2.0
- Discussion:
 - Data Review
 - Commercial Landings (Atlantic Coast)– Mandatory reports
 - Commercial Landings (Pacific Coast) – Self-Certify with documentation
 - Timing of Data Review
 - Same (February 1 – June 30)?
 - Payout remaining losses of CARES 1.0 qualified applicants
 - Select different months?
 - Direct Payments
 - No minors

TASK (Continued)

- Fishery-related Infrastructure (repairs, or improve fish distribution, or storage based on mitigating impacts of COVID)
 - e.g., Lobster pound expansion at Yankee Fisherman's Co-op
- Fishery-related Programs (Programs that mitigate the impacts of Covid-19 or add resiliency to fisheries and fishing communities)
 - Seafood marketing programs
 - Fishery related training programs
 - Seafood educational programs
 - Promotion and development of seafood products
 - Pilot programs (new market initiatives for underutilized spp.)
 - Resiliency – e.g., add to NH State Permit Bank, Revolving Loan Fund (RLF), etc.

TASK (Continued)

- Develop Strawman Spend Plan or Amend Previous Spend Plan for Commercial Saltwater Sector portion of Commercial funds (Can be over 2 meetings).

Next Steps for Workgroup

- Draft Strawman Plan (1 to 2 meetings)
- Send Survey to NH Commercial Saltwater Licensees
 - Email or paper
- 2nd or 3rd Meeting to Review Survey Responses
- Finalize Spend Plan
 - Associate Funding to Spend Plan

Next Steps for NHF&G

- Draft Spend Plan for all CARES Associated Fisheries
- Send Spend Plan to ASMFC and NOAA Fisheries for Approval
- Start the Qualification Process
- Upon Approval by NHF&G:
 - ASMFC will distribute individual funds to NH CARES qualifiers (before 9/30/2021)
 - Programs – May be able to initiate after 9/30