

# FOR-HIRE SECTOR 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

- For-Hire Sector – Payout \$114,400.12
- 16 applicants, 14 recipients, 11 prequalified (only federally permitted boats with VTR requirements were prequalified)
- Not fully paid out. 50% of losses during selected time frame were paid out.
- \$115,594.71 (50%) remains in losses for applicants

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# HISTORY CARES 1.0

Sector	Allocation	Approved Funds Applied For	Funds Paid	% Funds Paid	\$ Loss Remaining	\$ Late Applications	Total \$ Loss Remaining
<b>Commercial</b>	<b>\$1,066,848.00</b>	<b>\$1,343,717.76</b>	<b>\$1,066,847.64</b>	<b>79%</b>	<b>\$276,870.12</b>	<b>\$39,139.00</b>	<b>\$316,009.12</b>
<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>
<b>Seafood Sector</b>	<b>\$1,479,220.00</b>	<b>\$2,843,728.78</b>	<b>\$1,479,220.21</b>	<b>52%</b>	<b>\$1,364,508.57</b>		<b>\$1,364,508.57</b>
<b>For-Hire</b>	<b>\$114,400.10</b>	<b>\$229,994.83</b>	<b>\$114,400.12</b>	<b>50%</b>	<b>\$115,594.71</b>		<b>\$115,594.71</b>
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$2,660,468.10</b>	<b>\$4,417,441.37</b>	<b>\$2,660,467.97</b>		<b>\$1,756,973.40</b>	<b>\$39,139.00</b>	<b>\$1,796,112.40</b>

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# 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 30, 2021 - 1<sup>st</sup> NH For-Hire Work Group Meeting

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# CARES ACT 2.0 CRITERIA

- NH resident (person, LLC, company, etc.) only.
- >35% Economic Loss compared to prior 5-year average.
- Only Fisheries Related:
  - Qualifying: Commercial Fishing, **For-Hire**, Aquaculture, 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
	<b>For-Hire Fishing</b>	<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 Federally Permitted Charter Boat Trips

Boat 1

Year/Month	March	April	May	June	July	August	Total
2017			4	7	10		21
2018		2	13	12	11	4	42
2019		4	10	14	8	3	39
2020		4	11	12	18	13	58
2015-2019 Average		3.0	9.0	11.0	9.7	3.5	34.0
Change in Trips		1.0	2.0	1.0	8.3	9.5	24.0
Percent Change		33%	22%	9%	86%	271%	71%

Boat 2

Year/Month	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	Total
2015		3	24	22	23	28	16	16		132
2016		4	24	19	24	29	17	9	6	132
2017		13	25	31	26	28	18	11	8	160
2018		13	29	28	26	28	17	11	7	159
2019		12	29	30	27	30	24	13		165
2020			24	26	28	27	20	24	8	157
2015-2019 Average		9	26.2	26	25.2	28.6	18.4	12	7	149.6
Change in Trips		-9	-2.2	0	2.8	-1.6	1.6	12	1	7.4
Percent Change		-100%	-8%	0%	11%	-6%	9%	100%	14%	5%

Boat 3

Year/Month	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	Total
2015				5	6	9				20
2016			9	8	8	4	5			34
2017			1	8	11	8	3	3		34
2018			2	7	6	10	8	6	1	40
2019			1	9	8	12	8	4	4	46
2020			6	10	10	14	13	5	3	61
2015-2019 Average			1.5	6.5	7	9.4	7.4	4.5	3.5	34.8
Change in Trips			-1.5	-0.5	3	0.6	6.6	8.5	1.5	26.2
Percent Change			-100%	-8%	43%	6%	89%	189%	43%	75%

# NH Party Boat Anglers

Boat 1

Month/Year	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	Total
2015			647	691	658	1,090	167		3,253
2016			243	756	1,682	2,396	354	35	5,466
2017		252	545	804	1,287	1,240	438	65	4,631
2018			256	254	725	909	174		2,318
2019			410	711	960	1,320	649	146	4,196
2020			430	1,124	1,124	1,111	555		4,344
2015-2019 average		252	422	723	1,073	1,344	390	82	4,035
Change in Anglers		-252	8	401	51	-233	166	-82	309
Percent Change		-100%	2%	55%	5%	-17%	42%	-100%	8%

Boat 2

Month/Year	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	Total
2015			420	726	1,494	1,733	670	402	26	5,471
2016			768	1,170	1,723	1,622	484	82		5,849
2017		242	585	1,014	1,851	1,676	689	228	27	6,312
2018		228	500	992	1,677	1,589	520	24		5,530
2019		152	555	847	1,192	824	289	110		3,969
2020			240	117	962	305	10			1,634
2015-2019 average		207	566	950	1,587	1,489	530	169	27	5,426
Change in Anglers		-207	-326	-833	-625	-1,184	-520	-169	-27	-3,792
Percent Change		-100%	-58%	-88%	-39%	-80%	-98%	-100%	-100%	-70%

Boat 3

Month/Year	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
2015				295	1,039	1,022	1,415	1,565	622	250			6,208
2016				197		147	221	303	280				1,148
2017				45	37	104	239	287		46	38		796
2018					767	1,127	1,545	1,338	972	115	536	485	6,885
2019			115	503	1,068	1,059	923	1,366	825	658	355	632	7,504
2020	720	350	0	0	40	710	665	696	539	857	698	325	5,600
2015-2019 average	0	0	115	260	728	692	869	972	675	267	310	559	4,508
Change in Anglers	720	350	-115	-260	-688	18	-204	-276	-136	590	388	-234	1,092
Percent Change	100%	100%	-100%	-100%	-95%	3%	-23%	-28%	-20%	221%	125%	-42%	24%

# TASK

- Questions on CARES 2.0
- Discussion:
  - Data Review
    - Party boat anglers (Mandatory eVTRs)
    - Federally permitted charter boat trips (Mandatory eVTRS)
    - State only charter boats – self-certify with documentation
  - Timing of Data Review
    - Same (March 1 – May 31)?
      - 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)
  - Funding for a program/infrastructure can go to an entity with losses <35% if increases the resiliency and benefits the broader fishing community and not just that one entity
- Fishery-related Programs
  - Seafood marketing programs
  - Fishery related training programs
  - Seafood educational programs
  - Promotion and development of seafood products
  - Pilot programs (new market initiatives for underutilized spp.)
- Develop Strawman Spend Plan or Amend Previous Spend Plan for For-Hire Sector funds (Can be over 2 meetings).

## Next Steps for Workgroup

- Draft Strawman Plan (1 to 2 meetings)
- Send Survey to NH For-Hire Licensees
  - Email or paper
- 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> 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