# Norton Sound Red King Crab SAFE2016 

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NSRKC Stock Assessment Model
Molting and Growth Transition


Does not molt $\longrightarrow$
Molt \& Grow $\longrightarrow$

## Data Sets



Tagging: 1980s: Legal Crabs only, 1990s: mostly sublegal (winter pot), 2012: legal, sublegal

## Model Assumptions

- Length classes: 74-123 mm above 10 mm interval, 6 length classes
- New and Old Shells: Constant and identical selectivity, catchability, and molting probability
- M: 0.18 for length classes $1-5$, and 0.648 for class 6
- Discards mortality = 0.2
- Fishery harvests occur instantly:
- Winter fishery: Feb 01: Nov - May
- Summer fisher: July 01: Jun - Sept
- Trawl survey selectivity: constant and identical for NMFS (19761991) and ADFG (1996-2015)
- Winter catch selectivity: winter pot survey selectivity constant and identical
- Commercial catch selectivity: constant and identical from 19772015


## Responses to CPT and SSC

- No model modification-improvement requests
- Incorporate results from data-weighting workshop.
- Waiting for CPT's guidelines.
- Provide retrospective estimates of spawning stock biomass and the appropriate statistics (e.g., Mohns' rho).
- Calculated Mohn's rho. Guidelines needed.


## Major changes in assessment model

- Alternative Models Considered

1. Jan. 2015 crab assessment model with updated data
2. Estimate M multiplier (ms) for $>123 \mathrm{~mm}$
3. Estimate M equal for all length classes
4. Estimate M for $\leq 123 \mathrm{~mm}$ and ms for $>123 \mathrm{~mm}$
5. Expand length classes $64-134 \mathrm{~mm}$ (from 6 to 8 classes)
6. Reduce length class interval from 10 to 5 mmm
7. All combinations above $=15$ alternative models

## Major changes in assessment model

| Scenario | Length <br> Range | Length <br> Interval | M | ms <br> $(>123 \mathrm{~mm})$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 (Default) | $74-124$ | 10 | 0.18 | 3.6 |
| 1 |  |  | 0.18 | Est |
| 2 |  |  | Est | 1.0 |
| 3 |  | 10 | 0.18 | Est |

## Summary of Alternative Model Scenarios

| Model | Number of Paramet ers | Total | TSA | St. CPUE | TLP | WLP | CLP | OBS | REC | TAG |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 59 | 310.9 | 9.7 | -21.7 | 124.5 | 44.6 | 59.7 | 33.5 | 12.0 | 48.6 |
| 1 | 60 | -0.1 | -0.1 | 0.0 | -0.3 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 0.1 | -0.2 |
| 2 | 60 | 13.3 | -0.4 | 0.5 | -4.4 | 0.3 | 12.5 | 0.9 | -0.8 | 4.7 |
| 3 | 61 | -0.2 | -0.1 | 0.0 | -0.9 | -0.2 | 0.8 | 0.1 | -0.1 | 0.1 |
| 4 | 61 | -18.0 | 0.3 | 0.6 | -22.5 | -2.3 | -1.6 | -3.6 | 0.3 | 10.8 |
| 5 | 62 | -18.0 | 0.3 | 0.6 | -22.5 | -2.3 | -1.5 | -3.6 | 0.3 | 10.8 |
| 6 | 62 | 3.1 | 0.2 | 0.7 | -21.2 | 0.6 | 10.0 | -2.1 | -0.6 | 15.5 |
| 7 | 63 | -18.3 | 0.2 | 0.6 | -21.9 | -2.4 | -1.8 | -3.9 | 0.4 | 10.6 |
| 8 | 60 | 42.3 | 0.1 | -0.4 | -5.1 | -0.9 | 3.7 | -3.0 | -0.4 | 48.1 |
| 9 | 61 | 42.2 | 0.1 | -0.4 | -5.4 | -1.0 | 4.1 | -3.0 | -0.4 | 48.2 |
| 10 | 61 | 55.4 | -0.2 | 0.0 | -7.8 | 1.7 | 11.5 | -1.4 | -1.0 | 52.6 |
| 11 | 62 | 41.9 | 0.1 | -0.4 | -6.2 | -0.8 | 4.0 | -2.7 | -0.5 | 48.4 |
| 12 | 64 | 43.9 | 0.6 | 0.4 | -22.6 | 0.2 | 2.9 | -5.5 | 0.3 | 67.7 |
| 13 | 65 | 43.9 | 0.6 | 0.4 | -22.6 | 0.2 | 2.9 | -5.5 | 0.3 | 67.7 |
| 14 | 65 | 67.5 | 0.5 | 0.5 | -19.9 | 4.4 | 13.7 | -3.7 | -0.4 | 72.3 |
| 15 | 66 | 43.4 | 0.5 | 0.3 | -22.4 | -0.3 | 3.2 | -5.9 | 0.3 | 67.5 |

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| Model | $M$ | $m s$ | MMB(2016) | OFL |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0 | 0.18 | 3.6 | 5.99 | 0.85 |
| 1 | 0.18 | $\mathbf{3 . 4 2}$ | 5.78 | 0.82 |
| 2 | $\mathbf{0 . 4 2}$ | 1 | 6.15 | 1.74 |
| 3 | $\mathbf{0 . 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{2 . 9 6}$ | 6.03 | 0.78 |
| 4 | 0.18 | 3.6 | 5.88 | 0.77 |
| 5 | 0.18 | $\mathbf{3 . 5 6}$ | 5.87 | 0.77 |
| 6 | $\mathbf{0 . 4}$ | 1 | 5.81 | 1.42 |
| 7 | $\mathbf{0 . 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{4 . 6 1}$ | 6.54 | 0.81 |
| 8 | 0.18 | 3.6 | 6.50 | 0.86 |
| 9 | 0.18 | $\mathbf{3 . 4 5}$ | 6.46 | 0.85 |
| 10 | $\mathbf{0 . 4 1}$ | 1 | 6.63 | 1.64 |
| 11 | $\mathbf{0 . 2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 . 7 8}$ | 6.54 | 1.02 |
| 12 | 0.18 | 3.6 | 6.17 | 0.76 |
| 13 | 0.18 | $\mathbf{3 . 6 0}$ | 6.17 | 0.76 |
| 14 | $\mathbf{0 . 3 9}$ | 1 | 6.16 | 1.33 |
| 15 | $\mathbf{0 . 1 4}$ | $\mathbf{4 . 8 2}$ | 6.05 | 0.59 |

## Alternative model summary

1. Estimate M for $>123 \mathrm{~mm}$ Little change in model fit (current assumption works)
2. Estimate M equal for all length classes

Lower model fit (Higher M)
3. Estimate M for $\leq 123 \mathrm{~mm}$ and ms for $>123 \mathrm{~mm}$ Little change in model fit: Model estimates of M and ms are similar to current assumption.
4. Expand length classes $64-134 \mathrm{~mm}$ (from 6 to 8 classes) Better model fit. (less model fit to tag recovery data)
5. Reduce length interval from 10 to 5 mmm Less model fit. (less model fit to tag recovery data)
6. All combinations above $=15$ alternative models MMB estimates are similar among all models. (5.87-6.63)

## Candidate Models

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## Author Preferred Candidate Models

Models 0, 1, 5, 13

- Better model fit:
- Trawl, Discards, Winter pot survey length comp
- But, worsen tag recovery

Retrospective Mohn's rho
Model 0: -0.482 : Appendix C1
Model 1: -0.556 : Appendix C2
Model 5: 0.115 : Figure 17
Model 13: 0.926 : Figure 18
Author recommended Model:
Model 5: the lowest Mohn's rho


## Selectivity



Fit to Trawl survey data


## ST CPUE

Summer commercial standardized cpue


## Residual Analyses

Residuals Histogram, Q-Q Plot, Predicted vs. Residual


## Com Harvest Length Composition

commercial harvest length: observed vs predicted





























## Winter Pot Length Composition

Winter pot length: observed vs predicted


## Trawl, Discards Length Composition

Trawl length: observed vs predicted











## Tag recovery composition



## Fit to Length Composition



## Effective Sample size



MMB Feb 01


## Retrospective Analyses



Andre's Retrospective Analyses of CPT adopted model MMB from 2009-16 SAFE


## OFL \& ABC

- $\mathrm{B}_{\text {MSY Proxy }}$
- Average MMB from 1980-2016 $=4.53$ million lb
- MMB
- $\mathrm{MMB}(2016)=5.87$ (SD 1.12) million lb
- $\mathrm{MMB}>\mathrm{B}_{\text {MSY Proxy }}$ : Tier 4a
- $F_{O F L}=M=0.18$
- $\mathrm{OFL}_{\mathrm{r}}$ (Retained Legal: Summer 2016) $=\left(1-\exp \left(-F_{\text {OFL }}\right)\right)$ Legal Biomass (July 01 2016)
- Legal Male Biomass (Feb 01, 2016) : 4.65 (SD 0.89)
- Legal Male Biomass (July 01, 2016) $=4.65^{*} \exp (-0.42 \mathrm{M})=4.31$
- $\mathrm{OFL}_{\mathrm{r}}=4.31^{*}(1-\exp (-0.18))=0.710$ million lb
- $\mathrm{ABC}=0.80 \mathrm{FL}_{\mathrm{r}}=0.568$ million $\mathrm{lb}=0.26$ Metric ton

