

		IFM Amendment	
		Action	Comments
2017	March		
	April	Council takes final action	<i>Meeting is April 18-20</i>
	May		
	June		
	July	Revise and update EA consistent with Council action	
	August		
	Sept		
	Oct	EA in reivew; Proposed regulations in review; Drafting proposed rule package	<i>EA has 3-week review period</i>
	Nov	Finalize EA; Proposed regulations in review; Proposed rule package being drafted	
Dec	<b>Proposed regulations to Council for deeming</b> ; Report on EM project finalized; Proposed rule package in review		
2018	Jan	<b>NOA and proposed rule publishes</b> ; Monitoring service provider presentation at Council meeting; NMFS conducts internal review of EM project; Amendment decision and final rule package being drafted	<i>Amendment NOA has 60-day comment period; Proposed rule has 45-day comment period; Meeting is January 30 - February 1</i>
	Feb	NMFS conducts internal review of EM project; Amendment decision and final rule package being drafted	
	March	Amendment decision and final rule package in review	
	April	<b>Amendment decision</b> ; Council considers whether EM/Portside is an adequate substitute for ASM	<i>Amendment decision is 30 days after Amendment NOA comment period closes; Meeting is April 17-19</i>
	May	<b>Final rule publishes</b> ; NMFS determines IFM coverage levels for herring fishery in 2019; Proposed rule package for EM/Portside in review	<i>IFM coverage levels will depend on available Federal funding</i>
	June	<b>Proposed rule for EM/Portside publishes</b> ; Omnibus measures effective	<i>Proposed rule has 30-day comment period; Omnibus measures effective 30 days after final rule publishes</i>
	July	Final rule package for EM/Portside in review	
	August	<b>Final rule for EM/Portside publishes</b>	<i>Final rule effective 30 days after final rule publishes</i>
	Sept	Begin IFM coverage in herring fishery when PTNS is ready	<i>Use PTNS to select 50% coverage for ASM; State portside sampling will be used in 2018</i>
	Oct		
	Nov	Prepare for Federal portside program in 2018	
	Dec		