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September 13, 2024 MarineFisheries Advisory DMF's Fall Trawl Survey Expected to Start on Sunday, September 15

The Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF) fall trawl survey is expected to start on Sunday, September 15. The survey was delayed due to necessary maintenance on the NOAA R/V Gloria Michelle. The fall trawl survey anticipates beginning operations on Sunday, September 15, and working its way from Woods Hole to the North Shore. The survey plans to operate in Massachusetts Bay, Cape Ann, and Ipswich Bay between September 15 and September 18 or until all stations are completed. Beginning on or about September 18 survey operations will begin in Cape Cod Bay. Once Cape Cod Bay is completed, on or about September 21 survey operations will shift to complete stations east of Cape Cod, south of the Cape and Islands, Vineyard Sound, and Buzzards Bay.

The live map will be updated at the end of each day: <u>Massachusetts Trawl Survey Web Experience</u> (arcgis.com). Updates will also be distributed to the MLA each evening. As a reminder, survey updates including the original notice and a live map can be found on our website, <u>https://www.mass.gov/service-details/review-trawl-survey-updates.</u>

If you have any questions about the survey, please contact Steve Wilcox, <u>steve.wilcox@mass.gov</u>, (508) 742-9731. For other questions, please contact DMF at <u>marine.fish@mass.gov</u>.