STAC Process Recommendation for Discussion at the Fall 2023 STAC Meeting

- Offered for consideration are the following process changes with the objective of increasing members' advisory participation:
- In lieu of serving on an action team where a STAC member provides technical advice associated with addressing a team's multiple CCMP actions (thus helping to implement the management "wedge" of adaptive management cycle), member(s) would be provided the opportunity to serve on a STAC focus team whose project would last no more than three months.
- Each focus team's assignment is to craft a series of recommendations associated with one or more CCMP actions as assigned. Funding for graduate student or faculty support could be included. The team would be led by one or more STAC members, who are responsible for identifying additional science & technology experts, citizen advisory committee (CAC) members, and Leadership Council members (when appropriate). Virtual presentations by external experts would be part of focus team findings.
- All focus teams would produce their advisory reports using a common template.
- STAC Executive Board would offer focus group assignments to members. An Executive Board workshop is suggested to craft these assignments.
- STAC member contributions to their assigned monitoring & assessment team would remain unchanged.
- General STAC meetings would still be quarterly but would focus on STAC administration and be reduced from 150 to 90 minutes. A significant time would be devoted to progress by the MATs and focus teams.