



Gulf Region

Notice to Fish Harvesters

2022 BLUEFIN TUNA FISHING GULF NOVA SCOTIA

Antigonish, (NS) – April 14, 2022

Fisheries and Oceans Canada wishes to advise Gulf Nova Scotia (GNS) tuna licence holders that DFO GNS will manage a five year pilot using an Individual Shares (IS) management system that will run concurrently with the already established management system in Gulf Nova Scotia.

This will be a voluntary pilot for GNS Bluefin tuna licence holders who are interested in participating. GNS licence holders who participate in the pilot project will receive an annual initial quota equal to their share of the overall GNS Fleet initial quota.

The Department will evaluate the pilot after the 2026-2027 season. The Terms of Reference for the Pilot are attached for more information.

Licence holders who wish to participate in the pilot must make this intention known to Nicole Sampson by **May 15th, 2022**. In future years, as per the Terms of Reference, the deadline to register for the pilot each year will be **April 30th**.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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