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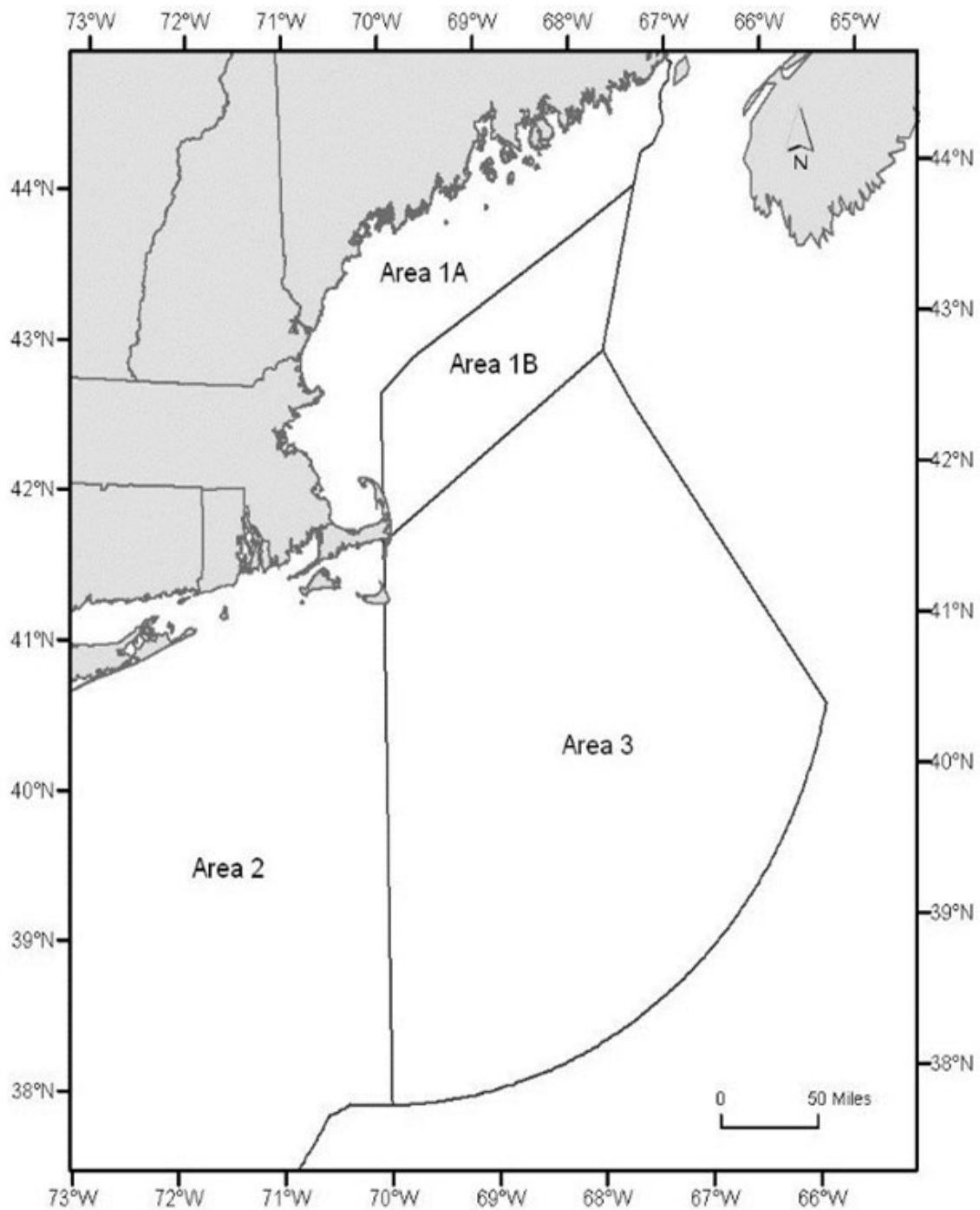
Reminder to Declare into the Atlantic Herring 1A Fishery

Category A, C and D federal permit holders seeking to participate in the 2024 directed commercial Atlantic sea herring fishery in Management Area 1A are reminded of the Interstate Fishery Management Plan's requirement to notify their state of their intent to fish in Area 1A. Vessels must also obtain a Letter of Authorization (LOA) from the Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF). To declare intent and obtain this LOA, please complete this [declaration form](#) and return it to DMF via e-mail (jared.silva@mass.gov) prior to 5:00PM on April 15, 2024.

[Declaration Form](#)

State-Only Fishermen

State-only permit holders do not need to submit a form to DMF. Nor do state only permit holders need to obtain a Letter of Authorization from DMF. Instead, these permit holders may fish under the 2,000 pound incidental catch and small scale fishery trip limit.



For more information regarding the management of Atlantic sea herring in Massachusetts, please visit www.mass.gov/marinefisheries and www.asmfc.org.



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