

We again thank both reviewers for their careful, constructive reviews. We have made the final corrections:

1. The Fig 1. caption wrongly stated that water masses were also shown. The figure 1 caption is now corrected to: “The locations of the Gulf of Maine Ecological Production Unit (GOM_EPU) and the Northeast Channel along the Northeast US continental shelf are shown along with the model bathymetry and the 1000-meter isobath (white line)”
2. We also revised format of the damping rate equation
3. Corrected “potion” to “portion” in line 172