

New England Fishery Management Council

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Risk Policy Working Group

Date: Tuesday, July 29, 2014

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Hampton Inn & Suites, 2100 Post Road, Warwick RI

Phone: 401/739-8888

Agenda Items:

The Risk Policy Working Group will:

- Continue the development of a risk policy to serve as guidance for ABC (acceptable biological catch) control rules and annual catch limits (ACLs) for Council-managed species;
- Develop Risk Policy Statement, to be reviewed by the Council's Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) in August and approved by the Council at its September 2014 meeting;
- Review/discuss baseline conditions related to overfishing definitions, ABC control rules, and harvest control rules in Council-managed FMPs;
- Discuss the next steps for applying the Risk Policy Statement across Council-managed FMPs;
- Address other business as necessary.

Directions:

From T.F. Green Airport - Exit terminal to Post Rd. Make a left onto Post Rd. The hotel is located on the left.

From I-95 - Take Exit 13 to T.F. Green Airport, take Post Rd. Exit. At the light at the end of the ramp make a left onto Post Rd. Proceed one block and our Warwick, RI hotel will be on the right.

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