

New England Fishery Management Council

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Ecosystem Based Fishery Management Plan Development Team (EBFM PDT)

Date: Wednesday, October 15, 2014

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Holiday Inn, 700 Myles Standish Boulevard, Taunton, MA 02780

Agenda:

The EBFM PDT will review and provide feedback on 1) a preliminary Georges Bank multispecies assessment model and 2) a draft Annual State of the Northeast Continental Shelf Ecosystem report.

Call In information:

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Online access:

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