

New England Fishery Management Council

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Risk Policy Working Group

Date: Monday, February 9, 2015

Start Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Holiday Inn, 31 Hampshire Street, Mansfield, MA 02048

Phone: (508)339-2200

Agenda items:

The Risk Policy Working Group will:

- Discuss the implementation and application of the Council's Risk Policy across all Council-managed species;
- Review updated matrix of "baseline conditions" for Council-managed species, i.e., how risk and uncertainty are currently addressed;
- Discuss baseline conditions in the Atlantic herring fishery; review available information and begin to develop recommendations regarding the application of the Risk Policy in the Atlantic Herring FMP;
- Discuss baseline conditions in the Atlantic sea scallop fishery;
- Plan future work and address other business as necessary.

Directions:

From I-95 North or South, take Exit 7A (Mansfield Route 140). At the second set of lights, take a right onto Forbes Blvd. Continue straight on this road, it will change to Cabot Blvd. The hotel is at the end of Cabot Blvd.

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