

New England Fishery Management Council

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Ecosystem Based Fishery Management Plan Development Team

Date:Wednesday, January 13, 2016Time:8:30 a.m.Location:Hilton Garden Inn, One Thurber Street, Warwick, RI 02886
Phone: (401) 734-9600

Agenda: The PDT will continue working on developing an example Fishery Ecosystem Plan. The PDT will also discuss and develop recommendations for the Council's five-year research priorities.

Directions:

Driving - Take Route 95 North or South to Exit 13 (airport exit). Proceed on Airport Connector Road to Jefferson Boulevard. Turn left at end of ramp onto Jefferson Boulevard and proceed 1/4-mile and thehotel is located on the left (corner of Jefferson and Thurber).

Flying - *Fly into T.F. Green airport and take the 24-hour complimentary hotel shuttle from the airport to the hotel.*

The New England Fishery Management Council generally posts announcements of Plan Develop Team (PDT) meetings on the Council's website, occasionally with very little notice. An agenda may or may not be included. Team members may discuss topics, if listed, in any order or add other issues not contained in the meeting notice.

Members of the public may attend PDT meetings, or listen in if the meetings are broadcast, but should not expect to participate unless the PDT chair invites input. Public comments and questions will not be taken during PDT conference calls.

PDTs are responsible to the Council and work on technical analyses as directed by their oversight committee. Once complete, PDT work products are reviewed at oversight committee meetings to which the public is invited. It is at this point that comments are encouraged on a range of issues, including PDT reports and recommendations, proposed management options or other information that is relevant to the committee's business at that time. The committee, in turn, makes management recommendations to the full Council based on the full suite of information it has available to it.