



## New England Fishery Management Council

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### Scallop Plan Development Team Meeting

**Date:** Thursday, February 4, 2016  
**Time:** 10:00 a.m.  
**Location:** Mariners House, 11 North Square, Boston, MA 02113  
Phone: (617) 227-3979

#### Agenda:

The Scallop PDT will begin working on issues identified by the Council for 2016 work priorities. First, the PDT will review and discuss analysis needs for a workshop scheduled in late February on inshore scallop fishing issues. Second, the PDT will review a potential work plan for the required LACG IFQ 5-year report. Third, the PDT will have an initial discussion of several issues that may be developed in 2016 actions, potential modification to scallop access areas on Georges Bank and potential adjustments to the annual catch limit structure in the Scallop FMP. Forth, the PDT will review and provide input on 5-year Council research priorities. Other business may be discussed that is not listed on the agenda.

#### Directions:

**From the South:** Take I-93 North to Exit 23 toward Government Center, taking the North End ramp toward Charlestown. Take a slight right onto North St. Continue straight to North Square. Mariners House is two doors past the Paul Revere House. There is no parking at the facility, but a variety of parking garages are located nearby.

**From the North:** Take I-93 South to Exit 24A toward Government Center. Turn left at John F. Fitzgerald Surface Road. Turn left on Mercantile St., then left at Cross St., and then right on North St. Continue straight to North Square. Mariners House is two doors past the Paul Revere House. There is no parking at the facility, but a variety of parking garages are located nearby.

**Public transportation:** The Mariner's House is approximately 0.5 miles (< 10 min walk) from the Haymarket MBTA station. From the station, head southeast towards John F. Fitzgerald Surface Rd. Make a left on Hanover St, then turn right on Cross St. Next, turn left on North St and go two blocks to North Square.

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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 question will not be taken during PDT conference calls

PDTs are responsible to the Council and work on technical analyses as directed by their oversight committees. 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.