



New England Fishery Management Council

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**MEETING NOTICE**  
**GROUNDFISH COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Date:** Thursday, April 7, 2016  
**Time:** 9:00 a.m.  
**Location:** Hilton Garden Inn  
100 Boardman Street  
Boston, MA 02128  
Tel: (617) 567-6789; Fax (617) 561-0798

**Agenda:**

- Groundfish monitoring program
  - Discuss PDT analysis with respect to the groundfish monitoring program, to assess whether:
    - CV requirements and methodologies are the most appropriate to verify area fished, catch and discards by species and gear type for the sector system, and;
    - ASM provides the sector fishery, recognizing heterogeneity within the fleet (e.g., trip length, homeport, etc.), the maximum flexibility to meet ASM goals and objectives.
  - Develop Committee recommendations to the Council on the possible alternatives for a monitoring action
- Windowpane flounder management alternatives
  - Receive an update on the development of a Council staff white paper examining the windowpane flounder issue
  - Develop Committee recommendations on next steps for the white paper
- Recreational management measures process
  - Receive an update on the development of a Council staff white paper examining the recreational management measures process issue
  - Develop Committee recommendations on next steps for the white paper
- Other business, as necessary

**If you are submitting written comments for consideration at this meeting,  
we must receive them by noon on Tuesday, April 5, 2016.**

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cc: Council Members, Groundfish IPs, Advisors and PDT members

Notice date: Tuesday, March 15, 2016

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**From South Shore/Cape Cod:** Take Route 93 North towards Boston. At Exit 20, bear right onto I-90 East toward South Boston/Logan Airport. Keep straight onto Route 1A- North. Stay on Route 1A- North, and at your first set of lights turn right onto Boardman Street. Hotel is on your right.