



New England Fishery Management Council

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MEETING NOTICE GROUNDFISH COMMITTEE MEETING

Date: Monday, September 12, 2016
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: Fairfield Inn & Suites
185 MacArthur Drive
New Bedford, MA 02740
Phone: (774) 634-2000; Fax: (774) 634-2001

Agenda:

- Receive a summary of recommendations from the Groundfish Advisory Panel, which met on August 30,
- Framework Adjustment 56 – specifications and management measures
 - Discuss draft alternatives and make recommendations to the Council, and
 - Receive a PDT report that summarizes Atlantic halibut management and recent catch and effort for the directed fishery in the State of Maine, and
 - Review a draft letter to the Secretary of Commerce/State of Maine on the halibut issue and make recommendations to the Council
- Groundfish Monitoring Action-
 - Receive a progress report from the PDT on the white paper on monitoring strategies, and
 - Develop recommendations to the Council
- Priorities-
 - Discuss possible groundfish priorities for 2017, and
 - Develop initial recommendations to the Council
- Other business, as necessary.
- The Committee will continue in a closed door session to review applications to the Recreational Advisory Panel and Groundfish Advisory Panel.

If you would like your written comments to be considered at this meeting, they must be received at the NEFMC office no later than Thursday, September 8, 2016. Please address them to Council Chairman Terry Stockwell or Executive Director Tom Nies. Email submissions should be sent to comments@nefmc.org.

*This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities.
This schedule is subject to change. If you have questions, please call the Council office.*

Directions:

From the South – I-95 North to I-95 East. Take Exit 15 to merge onto MA 18 South. Turn left at Union Street. Turn right on MacArthur Drive.

From the North – I-95 South to I-93 South toward Boston. Take Exit 4 onto Route 24 South toward Brockton. Take Exit 12 onto Route 140 South towards New Bedford. Take Exit 2A to I-95 East towards Cape Cod. Take Exit 15 onto Route 18 South. Turn left at Union Street. Turn right onto MacArthur Drive.

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

Notice date: Monday, August 22, 2016