



New England Fishery Management Council

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Ecosystem Based Fishery Management Plan Development Team (PDT)

Date: Thursday, June 8, 2017
Time: 9:30 a.m.
Location: Holiday Inn,
700 Myles Standish Boulevard
Taunton, MA 02780
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Agenda:

The PDT will hear presentations on improved applications of ecosystem models to the Georges Bank ecosystem production unit. These models will be used to support the NEFMC's development of an example Fishery Ecosystem Plan. The PDT will discuss how the model results should be used and presented to the Council as a quantitative worked example of functional group catch limits. The PDT will also discuss a research-track peer review of ecosystem models, planned for late 2017.

Directions:

From the North: Take 95 South to 495 South to Exit 9 (Bay Street). Take a right into the Industrial Park where the hotel is located.

From the South: Take Route 95 North to Route 495 North to Exit 9 (Bay Street). Take a left and then a right into the Industrial Park where the hotel is located.

The New England Fishery Management Council generally posts announcements of Plan Development 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.