



New England Fishery Management Council

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AGENDA

**GROUNDFISH PLAN DEVELOPMENT TEAM
AUGUST 3, 2017**

**Hilton Garden Inn
4 Home Depot Road
Plymouth, MA 02360
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- 10:00 am Opening remarks and agenda review(*Cournane*)
- 10:10 am Framework Adjustment 57/Specifications and Management Measures(*Cournane*)
- Review the updated action plan
 - Discuss progress on adjusting windowpane flounder accountability measures (AMs) for large mesh/non-groundfish fisheries (e.g., scup and summer flounder trawl fisheries)
 - Review draft estimates of groundfish catches for calendar year 2017
 - Recommend Georges Bank yellowtail flounder overfishing limits (OFLs) and acceptable biological catches (ABCs) for fishing years 2018 and 2019 to the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC)
 - Discuss progress on adjusting the common pool trimester total allowable catches (TACs)
 - Make recommendations to the Groundfish Committee, as appropriate
- 12:45 pm Lunch
- 2:00 pm Continue Discussion
- 4:00 pm Amendment 23/Groundfish Monitoring Amendment(*Cournane*)
- Review the updated action plan
 - Discuss next steps for the amendment
 - Make recommendations to the Groundfish Committee, as appropriate
- 4:45 pm Other business
- 5:00 pm Adjourn for the day