



New England Fishery Management Council

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Scallop Plan Development Team (PDT) Meeting

Date: Tuesday, August 29 and Wednesday, August 30, 2017

Time: 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday and 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday

Location: Coonamessett Inn, 311 Gifford Street, Falmouth, MA
Phone: (508) 548-2300

Agenda:

The PDT will review preliminary survey results from all available 2017 scallop surveys, including: SMAST drop camera surveys, Coonamessett Farm Foundation and WHOI Habcam surveys, VIMS dredge survey and the federal NEFSC scallop survey. Based on these results and data from recent fishing years the PDT will begin discussing possible alternatives for FY2018 fishery allocations. The PDT will also continue the development of management measures in scallop Framework Adjustment 29, and review relevant analyses. Finally, the PDT will discuss potential recommendations for 2018 work priorities related to the Scallop FMP. The PDT may discuss other issues not listed on this agenda.

Directions:

From Boston / Points North: Take Route 1-93 South to Route 3 South to the Sagamore Bridge Rotary. Just before the Sagamore Bridge, take Route 6 West following the signs to Buzzards Bay / Falmouth, then cross over the Bourne Bridge and follow directions from the Bourne Bridge (below).

From the Bourne Bridge: Follow Route 28 south for approximately 10 miles to the first set of traffic lights and turn left onto Jones Road. At the next set of lights, take a left onto Gifford Street. The Coonamessett Inn is on the right.

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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.