



New England Fishery Management Council

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Groundfish Plan Development Team Meeting

Date: Tuesday, April 3, 2018
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: SMAST West
Main Conference/Room 108
706 South Rodney French Blvd.
New Bedford, MA 02740

Agenda:

- **Groundfish Monitoring Amendment 23** – Continue to discuss draft alternatives and Plan Development Team (PDT) work related to development of the action
- **Other business**, as necessary.

Call In information:

Phone Number: 1-872-240-3212
Access Code: 643-772-653
Please note that this is not a toll-free number

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Online access:

This meeting will broadcast online via GoToMeeting. Click the following link to join:

<https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/643772653>

Use VoIP with a microphone and speakers for audio - a headset is recommended.

Directions:

Take I-195 toward New Bedford to Route 18 south. After several sets of lights, Route 18 becomes Water Street, then South Rodney French Boulevard. Continue on South Rodney French Boulevard. You will pass through a hurricane dike and a beach area. SMAST is located at the point of South Rodney French Blvd.

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

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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.