

New England Fishery Management Council

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REVISED Groundfish Plan Development Team Meeting

Date: Tuesday, July 31, 2018

Time: 9:30 a.m.

Location: NOAA Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office – Hearing Room A

(Identification required when you check in with security)

55 Great Republic Drive Gloucester, MA 01930-2276 Phone: (978) 281-9300

Agenda:

• Framework Adjustment 58: Specifications/Management Measures

- Discuss the results of the 2018 Transboundary Resources Assessment Committee (TRAC) assessment of Georges Bank (GB) yellowtail flounder, and
- Review draft rebuilding plan options for several stocks (ocean pout, GB winter flounder, witch flounder, Gulf of Maine/GB (Northern) windowpane flounder, and Southern New England/Mid-Atlantic yellowtail flounder)
- Amendment 23: Groundfish Monitoring
 - o Discuss and develop draft alternatives, and next steps, and
- Other business as necessary

Directions:

From the North

Take I-95 south to Route 128 north. Proceed on Route 128 north to Blackburn Circle in Gloucester. Take the third right off Blackburn Circle, then your next right to Blackburn Drive, and then your next left to Great Republic Drive. Proceed to the very last building located on Great Republic Drive.

From the South

Take I-93 north or Route 1 north to intersection with I-95 north/Route 128 north. Stay on Route 128 north after it splits with I-95 north. Proceed on Route 128 north to Blackburn Circle in Gloucester. Take the third right off Blackburn Circle, then your next right to Blackburn Drive, and then your next left to Great Republic Drive. Proceed to the very last building located on Great Republic Drive.

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