



## New England Fishery Management Council

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### MEETING NOTICE RESEARCH STEERING COMMITTEE (RSC)

**Date:** Wednesday, August 8, 2018  
**Time:** 9:30 a.m.  
**Location:** Hilton Garden Inn Portsmouth Downtown  
100 High Street  
Portsmouth, NH 03801  
Phone: (603) 431-1499

#### Agenda:

- **Future of the Research Steering Committee:** Develop Council recommendations regarding the Research Review Policy and the purpose and functions of the RSC;
- **NEFMC research priorities and data needs:** Receive updates on improving the functionality of how research priorities are listed, Council Coordination Committee discussion, and other developments; develop any additional Council recommendations;
- **Northeast Fisheries Science Center:** Meet the new Fishery Monitoring & Research Division Chief and receive updates on cooperative research activities; develop Council recommendations;
- **RSA Program review:** Receive an overview of the NEFMC's ongoing review of the Research-Set-Aside programs; develop Council recommendations;
- **Management review:** Review completed research project on: an experimental fishery for silver hake/whiting in Small Mesh Area I and the Western Raised Footrope Exemption Area; develop Council recommendations; and
- **Other business:** Address as necessary.

If you would like your written comments to be considered at this meeting, they must be received at the NEFMC office no later than 5 p.m. on Friday, August 3, 2018. Please address them to Council Chairman Dr. John Quinn or Executive Director Tom Nies. Email submissions should be sent to [comments@nefmc.org](mailto:comments@nefmc.org)

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cc: Council Members, Research Steering Committee and IPs; Whiting IPs, Advisors and PDT

Notice date: July 12, 2018