



## New England Fishery Management Council

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### Groundfish Plan Development Team Meeting

**Date:** Tuesday, March 19, 2019  
**Time:** 9:30 a.m.  
**Location:** NOAA Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office  
(Identification required when you check in with security)  
55 Great Republic Drive  
Gloucester, MA 01930-2276  
Phone: (978) 281-9300

#### Agenda:

- **Amendment 23/Groundfish Monitoring** - revise draft alternatives,
- **Gear Standards Policy** - develop revisions to the Council policy on gear standards to facilitate use of gear in accountability measures,
- **Priorities for 2019** – discuss progress on priorities for 2019, 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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