New England Fishery Management Council
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Herring Plan Development Team Meeting

Date: **Monday, August 5, 2019**
Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: Parker River National Wildlife Refuge
6 Plum Island Turnpike
Newburyport, MA 01950
Phone: (978) 465-5753

Agenda:

- Review preliminary analysis being prepared for a New England Fishery Management Council Discussion Document on spawning of Atlantic herring on Georges Bank.
- Discuss materials being prepared for a review, or debrief of the process used for the Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE) used for Amendment 8 to the Atlantic Herring Fishery Management Plan.
- Other business if time permits.

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