

#### New England Fishery Management Council

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# **Scallop Plan Development Team Meeting**

**Date:** Tuesday, August 27 and Wednesday, August 28, 2019

**Time:** 10:00 am on August 27, 9:00 am on August 28. **Location:** The J. Erik Jonsson Center (Clark Carriage House)

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## Day 1 Agenda:

- Review preliminary survey results from 2019 scallop surveys, including: SMAST drop camera surveys, Coonamessett Farm Foundation Habcam surveys, VIMS dredge survey and the federal NEFSC scallop survey.
- Discuss data decisions for combining biomass estimates, data on fishery performance, and potential management scenarios for FY2020 / FY2021.
- Other business may be discussed.

## Day 2 Agenda:

- Continue work from Day 1 agenda.
- Review preliminary data from survey of scallop resources in federal water of the Gulf of Maine.
- Receive an overview of an electronic monitoring (EM) pilot study during the 2019 NGOM fishery.
- Review ongoing work on Amendment 21, specifically NGOM management measures.
- Discuss potential scallop work priorities for the 2020.
- Other business may be discussed.

#### **Directions:**

**From Providence, RI**: Take I-95 North to Providence, Take Exit 19 to Interstate 195 East Providence/Cape Cod, In Fall River, follow 195E New Bedford/Cape Cod, In Wareham take exit 22A/25East - Cape Cod/The Islands, Follow signs to Bourne Bridge - Falmouth/The Islands, Take South 28 Falmouth/Martha's Vineyard, Follow sign for 28 South - Falmouth/Woods Hole

**From Boston, MA:** Take Southeast Expressway to MA 3; Take US6 to Sagamore; Follow US6 to Buzzards Bay, over Bourne Bridge, Go south on 28 to Falmouth/Woods Hole

**To the Jonsson Center:** Entering Falmouth, follow signs toward Woods Hole, At the second traffic signal on Woods Hole Road turn right on Quissett Harbor Road, Proceed one block. Turn left on Quissett Avenue. The Center entrance is located on the right, approximately 3/4 of a mile, and is identified by a large gray sign board.

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