



New England Fishery Management Council

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 14, 2020
TO: Recreational Advisory Panel
FROM: Terry Stockwell, Groundfish Committee Chairman
SUBJECT: **Recreational Advisory Panel meeting on Tuesday, January 21, 2020**

The **Recreational Advisory Panel (RAP)** will meet at the **Four Points Sheraton, Wakefield, MA** on **Tuesday, January 21, starting at 9 am.**

Purpose. The purpose of the RAP meeting is to discuss: (1) recreational measures for fishing year 2020 for Gulf of Maine cod and Gulf of Maine haddock, (2) Council priorities for 2020, and (3) other business as necessary.

Meeting Materials. Paper copies of the documents listed below will be provided at the meeting. A PDF of each document is posted to www.nefmc.org. Staff will provide copies of any additional meeting materials that are not included in this package. If you have any questions about the documents, please contact Jamie Cournane (jcournane@nefmc.org; 978-465-0492 ext. 103).

1. Meeting memo and agenda (this memo)
2. Recreational measures for fishing year 2020
 - a. Summary of recent recreational catch and effort data, NMFS
 - b. Presentation: Bioeconomic model results, NMFS
 - c. Presentation: Council staff
 - d. Council Staff to Groundfish Committee memo re recreational accountability measures
3. Presentation: 2020 Council priorities, Council staff
4. Correspondence

Meetings Topics. The following section outlines the meeting expected outcomes and future related meetings by discussion topic.

Recreational Management Measures for Fishing Year 2020

NMFS staff will provide an overview of recent recreational catch and effort data for Gulf of Maine cod, Gulf of Maine haddock, and Georges Bank cod (Doc. 2a). Staff will also provide results from the bioeconomic model for Gulf of Maine cod and Gulf of Maine (Doc. 2b). Council staff will also provide an overview of recreational accountability measures (Docs. 2c and 2d). Council and NMFS staff will answer questions from the advisors.

The advisors may wish to develop recommendations to the Groundfish Committee on the recreational management measures for fishing year 2020 for Gulf of Maine cod and Gulf of Maine haddock.

Priorities for 2020

Council staff will provide an overview the Council's 2020 priorities (Doc. 3).

Drafting Motions. You are encouraged to prepare motions in advance and either bring them to the meeting or send them to Jamie Cournane (jcournane@nefmc.org).

After the Meeting

The Committee will discuss these topics at its meeting on Thursday, January 23 in Wakefield, MA. (see: <https://www.nefmc.org/calendar/jan-23-2020-groundfish-committee-meeting>) and the Council will do the same during its January 28-30 meeting in Portsmouth, NH under the Groundfish Committee Report (see: <https://www.nefmc.org/calendar/january-2020-council-meeting>).



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AGENDA

RECREATIONAL ADVISORY PANEL Tuesday, January 21, 2020

**Four Points Sheraton
One Audubon Road
Wakefield, MA 01880
Phone: (718) 245-9300**

- 9:00 am Opening remarks, welcome new members, agenda review..... (*Blount*)
- 9:10 am Brief overview of the Council's Advisory Panel policy.....(*Cournane*)
- 9:20 am Recreational measures for fishing year 2020..... (*Steinback/Cournane*)
- Receive an overview of recent catch and effort data for Gulf of Maine cod, Gulf of Maine haddock, and Georges Bank cod
 - Discuss results from the bioeconomic model for Gulf of Maine cod and Gulf of Maine haddock, and
 - Provide recommendations to the Groundfish Committee on fishing year 2020 recreational measures for Gulf of Maine cod and Gulf of Maine haddock
- 11:00 am 2020 Council Priorities(*Blount/Cournane*)
Receive an overview of the Council's priorities with respect to recreational topics
- 11:15 am Other business..... (*Blount*)
- 11:30 am Adjourn

Times listed next to agenda items are estimates and subject to change.