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MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 25, 2022

TO: Groundfish Committee, Groundfish and Recreational Advisory Panels

FROM: Rick Bellavance, Groundfish Committee Chairman

SUBJECT: Meetings on December 1-2, 2022

The Recreational Advisory Panel meets by webinar on Thursday, December 1 from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm, followed by the Groundfish Advisory Panel from 1:30 pm to 5:30 pm the same day. The Groundfish Committee meets by webinar on Friday, December 2 starting at 9:30 am.

Check the meeting notices for webinar details or meeting webpages:

https://www.nefmc.org/calendar/dec-1-2022-recreational-advisory-panel-webinar

https://www.nefmc.org/calendar/dec-1-2022-groundfish-advisory-panel-webinar

https://www.nefmc.org/calendar/dec-2-2022-groundfish-committee-webinar

Agenda Topics

- 1. Framework Adjustment 65/Specification Measures,
- 2. Atlantic Cod Management,
- 3. Possible Council 2023 Priorities (Committee only), and
- 4. Other business, as necessary.

Meeting Materials

Check the link in your email for the meeting materials or the meeting webpage. Contact Jamie Cournane (<u>jcournane@nefmc.org</u>; 978-465-0492 ext. 103) with questions about documents.

- 1. Meeting overview memo from Groundfish Committee Chair and agenda
- 2. Presentation, Council Staff
- 3. Framework Adjustment 65
 - a. Draft alternatives
 - b. Draft biological impacts analysis
 - c. Draft economic impacts analysis
 - d. Groundfish Plan Development Team (PDT) Memos
 - 1. Atlantic halibut
 - 2. Follow-up on draft alternatives for FW65
 - e. Decision Document FW65

- 4. Groundfish PDT to Committee re Atlantic Cod Possible Recreational Allocation Approaches, DRAFT
- 5. Meeting Summaries
 - a. TMGC Guidance Document
 - b. Groundfish Committee, Nov. 22, draft
 - c. Recreational Advisory Panel, Dec. 1, draft
 - d. Groundfish Advisory Panel, Dec. 1, draft
- 6. Correspondence

Meeting Topics

The following table outlines the key discussion questions and expected outcomes by topic. Please prepare motions and rationale in advance and email to jcournane@nefmc.org

Key discussion questions and expected meeting outcomes

| Topic | Documents | Presentations/Discussion | Anticipated Motions/Outcomes |
|---|------------------|--|--|
| Framework Adjustment 65 | 2, 3 and 5 | Discuss draft specifications and measures and impacts analysis | Motions to recommend preferred alternatives. |
| Atlantic Cod Management | 2 and 4 | Receive an update on development of a discussion paper on allocating GB cod to the recreational fishery. | Discussion. |
| Possible Council 2023 Priorities (Committee only) | 2 | Consider recommendations from the advisors. | Recommendations on priorities. |

Next Steps

December 2022

Council meets December 5-8 via hybrid meeting in Newport, RI and by webinar: https://www.nefmc.org/calendar/december-2022-council-meeting



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AGENDA

RECREATIONAL ADVISORY PANEL December 1, 2022

Webinar

| 9:30 am | Opening remarks and agenda review(Blount) |
|----------|--|
| 9:40 am | Framework Adjustment 65/Specifications and Management Measures |
| 10:45 am | Break |
| 11:00 am | Atlantic Cod Management(Cournane) |
| 12:00 pm | Other business (Blount) |
| 12:30 pm | Adjourn |



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AGENDA

GROUNDFISH ADVISORY PANEL December 1, 2022

Webinar

| 1:30 pm | Opening remarks and agenda review(Martens/Bellavance) |
|---------|--|
| 1:40 pm | Framework Adjustment 65/Specifications and Management Measures |
| 2:45 pm | Break |
| 3:00 pm | FW65 continued |
| 4:00 pm | Atlantic Cod Management(Cournane) |
| 5:00 pm | Other business(Martens/Bellavance) |
| 5:30 pm | Adjourn |



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AGENDA

GROUNDFISH COMMITTEE December 2, 2022

Webinar

| 9:30 am | Opening remarks and agenda review(Bellavance) | |
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| 9:40 am | Recreational Advisory Panel Report(Blount) | |
| 9:50 am | Groundfish Advisory Panel Report(Martens/Bellavance) | |
| 10:00 am | Framework Adjustment 65/Specifications and Management Measures | |
| 11:20 am | Break | |
| 11:30 am | FW65 continued | |
| 12:45 pm | Lunch Break | |
| 1:15 pm | FW65 continued | |
| 2:45 pm | Atlantic Cod Management(Cournane) | |
| 3:15 pm | Possible Council Priorities for 2023(Bellavance) | |
| 3:30 pm | Other business(Bellavance) | |
| 3:45 pm | Adjourn | |
| 3:45 pm - 4:15 pm Closed session for the Committee to consider Advisory Panel applications | | |