



## New England Fishery Management Council

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### Joint Monkfish / Skate Plan Development Team Meeting Agenda

Monday, February 2, 2026

1:00 - 4:00 PM

Webinar registration link: <https://nefmc-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/tkrbTz8NSL2-Z97rO9SuFA>

Monkfish (M) and Skate (S) Plan Development Teams	
Jenny Couture, NEFMC (Monkfish PDT Chair)	Dr. Chris Legault, NEFSC/ Pop. Dy. (M)
Dr. Rachel Feeney, NEFMC (Skate PDT Chair, M)	Ashleigh McCord, GARFO/NEPA (S*)
Sharon Benjamin, GARFO/NEPA (M*)	Danielle Palmer, GARFO/PRD (M*, S*)
Emily Bodell, NEFMC (S)	Caroline Potter, GARFO/SFD (S*)
Dr. Jason Boucher, NEFSC/ Pop. Dy. (S*)	Matthew Rigdon, GARFO/SFD (S*)
Dr. Tobey Curtis, GARFO/HMS (S*)	Eric Schneider, RI DEM DMF (M, S)
Laura Deighan, GARFO/SFD (S)	Renee St. Amand, CT DEEP (M)
Jason Didden, MAFMC (M)	Spencer Talmage, GARFO/SFD (M)
Tara Dolan, MADMF (M)	Dr. Sara Turner, GARFO/APSD (M, S)
Ben LaFreniere, MEDMR (M)	Samantha Werner, NEFSC/SSB (S)
* Others supporting the PDT	

- 12:50 PM**     **Log on to webinar and test audio**
- 1:00**            **Introductions/approval of agenda/timeline and other updates**
- 1:15**            **Draft summary of input on coordinated monkfish and skate work in 2025**
- 2:30**            **Draft scoping document for a potential Individual Fishing Quota (IFQ) program for the monkfish and/or skate wing fisheries**
- 3:50**            **Other business**
- 4:00**            **Adjourn**

## Meeting Documents

1. Meeting agenda (this document)
2. Staff presentation including timeline
3. Draft summary of input on monkfish-skate coordination
4. Draft IFQ scoping document
5. Prior meeting summaries – posted [here](#)