



New England Fishery Management Council

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: July 24, 2019
TO: EBFM Committee
FROM: John Pappalardo, EBFM Committee Chair
SUBJECT: Purpose and agenda for meeting

The Ecosystem Based Fishery Management (EBFM) Committee will meet at the **Boston Marriott Quincy** on **Wednesday, July 24, starting at 9:30 am.**

Purpose: To receive reports from the Plan Development Team (PDT) and provide feedback and guidance to develop discussion of the following components of the Georges Bank example Fishery Ecosystem Plan (eFEP).

- **Options for Incentive-Based Measures, specifically how they can be used in a Fishery Ecosystem Framework with harvest control rules for stock complexes to achieve goals and objectives.**
- **Additional discussion of jurisdiction, cooperation and coordination amongst management authorities**
- **Staff debriefing on the Management Strategy Evaluation Steering Committee (MSE SC) and on the two-day State of the Science Conference on ecosystem-based fisheries management in Eastern Maine,**

The committee will be presented with a discussion document by the EBFM PDT on options and potential uses of incentive-based measures for EBFM. The committee will continue its discussion of addressing jurisdictional cooperation for a Georges Bank Fishery Ecosystem Plan, with some additional information about existing permits and fishing activity by Fishery Management Plan and management authority. Staff participated in a two-day conference in Machias, ME on June 17-18 and will relate their impression and thoughts to the committee. Staff will also update the committee on a newly-formed MSE SC.

The work by the committee toward developing strategies and options for non-technical measures will compliment other work that the Plan Development Team (PDT) is doing to flesh out potential strategies on technical management issues. A completed initial draft eFEP will be presented to the committee on August 21-22 and to the Council at its September 2019 meeting.

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 Andrew Applegate (aapplegate@nefmc.org ; 978-465-0492 ext. 114).

1. Meeting memo and agenda (this memo)
2. Timeline and eFEP component task list
3. PDT Discussion Document 14: The role of incentives in achieving management objectives, specifically for the NEFMC FEP
4. (A) Draft discussion document: Jurisdiction, cooperation and coordination amongst management authorities; (B) Summary of recent permitting and fishing activity by vessels fishing in the Georges Bank Ecosystem Production Unit.
5. Presentation on options for incentive-based measures: Council staff

AGENDA

ECOSYSTEM BASED FISHERIES MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

**Boston Marriott Quincy
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July 24, 2019**

- 9:30 am Agenda and purpose of meeting(Pappalardo)
- 9:45 Draft EBFM timeline and PDT update (Document 2A)..... (Applegate)
- 10:00 The role of incentives in achieving management objectives, specifically for the
 NEFMC FEP (Documents 3A and 5).....(PDT report and Committee discussion)
- 12:30 pm Lunch break
- 1:30 Incentive-based approaches, (continued)..... (EBFM Committee)
- 2:30 Jurisdiction, cooperation and coordination amongst management authorities
 (Documents 4A and 4B) (Staff presentation and Committee discussion)
- 3:30 Management Strategy Evaluation Steering Committee; State of the Science
 Conference on EBFM in Eastern Maine (<http://stateofthescienceconference.org/>)
 (Applegate)
- 4:00 Adjourn