



New England Fishery Management Council

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Monkfish Advisory Panel Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, May 4, 2022
9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Webinar (recommended): <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/699786796399777547>
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Monkfish Advisory Panel	
Greg DiDomenico, NJ (Chair)	William McCann, MA
James Dopkin, NJ	Randall Hayes Morgan, MD
Timothy Froelich, NY	Nicholas Muto, MA
Eric Hansen, MA	John Our, MA
Michael Karch, NJ	Ted Platz, RI
Gregory Mataronas, RI	Christopher Rainone, NJ

- 8:50 AM** Log on to webinar and test audio
- 9:00** Introductions, approve agenda, and review timeline
- 9:15** Monkfish Fishery Performance Report
 - Discuss the state of the fishery and give input for developing the report
- 10:45** Framework Adjustment 13
 - 2023-2025 Specifications:* Receive update; recommend a range of alternatives for setting Day-at-Sea allocations and possession limits
 - Management Measures:* Recommend a range of alternatives for potentially requiring a 12-inch minimum mesh size for monkfish gillnets and use of the Vessel Monitoring System across the federal fishery, and for reducing discards in Southern Fishery Management Area
- 12:15 PM** 2022-2026 Council Research Priorities and Data Needs
 - Recommend updates to the 2021-2025 list related to monkfish
- 12:45** Other Business
 - Recommend research priorities for the 2023/2024 Monkfish Research Set-Aside program
- 1:00** Adjourn

Meeting Documents

1. Meeting/General information
 - a. Meeting agenda (this document)
 - b. Meeting memo from Monkfish Committee Chair, Ms. Elizabeth Etrie
 - c. Monkfish staff presentation
 - d. NEFMC timeline related to the Monkfish FMP, April 21, 2022 update
2. Monkfish fishery performance report, draft as of April 2022
3. Framework 13 discussion document, draft as of April 2022
4. PDT memo on draft *2022-2026 Council Research Priorities and Data Needs*, subset related to monkfish, April 21, 2022
5. 2020-2021 Monkfish Research-Set-Aside Program research needs and priorities
6. Prior meeting summaries
 - a. Monkfish Committee, March 24, 2022
 - b. Monkfish PDT, April 4, 2022