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**Monkfish RSA Working Group (WG) Meeting Agenda**

**Monday, August 21, 2023; 1:00 - 5:00 PM**

**Webinar:** <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/290330874726890331>

**Telephone:** (562) 247-8321 **Access Code:** 618-461-848 (listen-only unless you register)

<b>Monkfish RSA Working Group</b>	
Kelly Whitmore, Chair	Peter Hughes, MAFMC Monkfish Committee member
Jenny Couture, NEFMC staff, WG coordinator	Ted Platz, Monkfish Advisory Panel member
Jason Didden, MAFMC staff	Ryan Silva, GARFO RSA
James Dopkin, Monkfish Advisory Panel member	Dr. James Sulikowski, researcher
Libby Etrie, NEFMC Monkfish Committee member ( <i>term ended Aug. 11</i> )	Spencer Talmage, GARFO Sustainable Fisheries Div.
Dr. Jon Grabowski, researcher	

**1:00 PM**      **Approval of agenda, timeline**

**1:10**      **Working group draft report**

- Review additional background material provided since last work group meeting.
- Discuss any additional material to add to the document.

**1:45**      **Review homework assignment**

- Discuss the priority ranking for each potential solution.
- Make final recommendations on any preferred improvements to the Monkfish RSA program.
- Discuss next steps of working group’s recommendations.

**4:40**      **Other business and adjourn**

## **Meeting Documents**

1. Meeting/General information
  - a. Meeting agenda (this document)
  - b. Meeting memo
  - c. Monkfish staff presentation (to be provided)
2. Draft Report of the Monkfish RSA Working Group, August 14, 2023
3. Refined RSA Program Improvement template for priority ranking
4. Monkfish Work Group meeting summary, July 24, 2023