



## New England Fishery Management Council

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### AGENDA SCALLOP SURVEY WORKING GROUP APRIL 9, 2021

**Link to register for the webinar:**

<https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/4346896544231280400>

Scallop Survey Working Group	
Bill DuPaul, VIMS Emeritus, co-Chair	Peter Chase, NEFSC, co-Chair
Amber Lisi, ME DMR	Kevin Stokesbury, SMAST
Andy Lipsky, NEFSC	Liese Siemann, CFF
Chad Keith, NEFSC	Paul Kostovick, NEFSC
Dave Rudders, VIMS	Paul Rago, Retired NEFSC Branch Chief
David Bethoney, CFRF	Roger Mann, VIMS
Drew Minkiewicz, FSF	Ryan Silva, GARFO
Dvora Hart, NEFSC	Scott Gallagher, COV
Han Chang, NEFSC	Tasha O'Hara, CFF
Jonathon Peros, Council Staff	
SSWG Facilitators	
Cate O'Keefe, Fishery Applications Consulting	Jessica Joyce, Tidal Bay Consulting

#### Meeting Objectives

- Initiate Scallop Survey Working Group (SSWG)
- Define SSWG scope of work (Terms of Reference - TORs) and member roles
- Begin developing SSWG work plan

#### Meeting Deliverables

- Feedback and recommendations on the Draft TORs
- Preliminary timeline and work plan for SSWG and sub-groups
- Preliminary list of topics and deliverables for next meeting (late summer/October)
- Preliminary SSWG member tasking and sub-group development

#### Meeting Materials

1. Meeting Notice – April 9, 2021
2. Agenda – April 9, 2021
3. Meeting Norms
4. SSWG Statement of Organization, Practices, and Procedures
5. Draft Terms of Reference including SSWG Focus Questions
6. Scallop Survey Peer Review (2015)
7. Letter from NEFSC Director J. Hare re: 2015 Peer Review follow-up
8. Scallop Assessment Research Recommendations (2018 SARC 65 and 2020 Management Track)
9. NEFMC Research Set-Aside Program Review Final Report (2019)

## Meeting Agenda

- 9:00am**      **Welcome and Background**
- New England Fishery Management Council Executive Director – *Tom Nies*
  - Northeast Fisheries Science Center Director – *Dr. Jon Hare*
- 9:20**            **Introductions, Agenda Review, and Questions**
- Webinar Instructions
  - SSWG Co-Chairs Welcome and Introductions – *Bill DuPaul and Peter Chase*
  - SSWG Member Introductions
  - SSWG Meeting Norms
  - Review Agenda
- 10:15**          **SSWG Overview**
- Review SSWG Organization, Practices, and Procedures
  - Overview of SSWG process and timeline
  - Public Comment process for SSWG
- 10:30**          **Break**
- 10:45**          **Public Comment**
- 11:00**          **Presentation of Draft TORs**
- Preliminary Draft TORs
  - Overview of offshore wind energy and scallop surveys – *Andy Lipsky*
- 11:30**          **SSWG Discussion on Draft TORs**
- Input on individual TORs and preliminary development of work plan
- 12:30pm**      **Lunch Break**
- 1:15**            **SSWG Discussion on Draft TORs – Continued**
- 2:45**            **Break**
- 3:00**            **Public Comment**
- 3:15**            **SSWG Work Plan, Sub-Groups, and Next Steps**
- Discussion of timeline, tasking, and upcoming meetings
  - Sub-group formation and process
- 3:30**            **Closing Remarks**
- 3:45**            **Adjourn**