

New England Fishery Management Council

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MEETING NOTICE GROUNDIFSH COMMITTEE WEBINAR

Date: Friday, August 6, 2021 Time: 9:00 am to 3:30 pm

Agenda:

The Groundfish Committee will meet to:

- Discuss development of draft Framework Adjustment 63/Specifications and Management Measures:
 - Set 2022 total allowable catches for US/Canada management units of Eastern Georges Bank (GB) cod and Eastern GB haddock, and 2022-2023 specifications for the GB yellowtail flounder stock,
 - o Set 2022-2024 specifications for GB cod and Gulf of Maine (GOM) cod, and possibly adjust 2022 specifications for GB haddock and GOM haddock,
 - o Adjust 2022 specifications for white hake based on the rebuilding plan,
 - o Adopt additional measures to promote stock rebuilding, and
 - o Develop alternatives to the current default system.
- Discuss 2021 Council priorities for groundfish.
- Report on and discuss the Atlantic Large Whale Take Reduction Team schedule for developing measures to reduce the risks to large whales from sink gillnet and other trap/pot fisheries, and
- Other business, as necessary.

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cc: Council Members, Groundfish IPs, Advisors and PDT members

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