

New England Fishery Management Council

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MEETING NOTICE SCALLOP COMMITTEE WEBINAR

Date: Wednesday, September 22, 2021

Time:

9:00 a.m.

Agenda:

The Scallop Committee will meet to discuss:

- Framework 34. Review results of 2021 scallop surveys, and preliminary projections. The primary focus of this meeting will be to develop input on the range of potential specification alternatives for FY 2022 and FY 2023. Framework 34 will implement measures approved through Amendment 21 to the FMP. The action will set ABC/ACLs, days-at-sea, access area allocations, total allowable landings for the Northern Gulf of Maine (NGOM) management area, targets for General Category incidental catch, General Category access area trips and trip accounting, and set-asides for the observer and research programs for fishing year 2022 and default specifications for fishing year 2023.
- 2021 Work Priorities. Discuss Amendment 21 timelines, including final decision and implementation. Receive updates on the progress of the Scallop Survey Working Group and the evaluation of rotational management. Develop input, if needed.
- Provide input on the range of possible 2022 scallop work priorities.
- Other business may be discussed, as necessary.

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Chairman Eric Reid or Executive Director Tom Nies. Email submissions should be sent to <u>comments@nefmc.org</u>.

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TA #: 21-126 cc: Scallop Advisors, PDT and IPs, Council Members Notice date: August 27, 2021