



## New England Fishery Management Council

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### Scallop Plan Development Team (PDT) Meeting

**Date:** Wednesday, August 31, and Thursday, September 1, 2022  
**Time:** 10:30 a.m. on August 31, and 9:00 a.m. on September 1, 2022  
**Location:** Coonamessett Inn  
311 Gifford Street  
Falmouth, MA 02540  
Phone: (508) 548-2300

#### Agenda:

The Scallop Plan Development Team will meet to:

#### Day 1 Agenda:

- Review preliminary survey results from 2022 scallop surveys, including: SMAST drop camera surveys, Coonamessett Farm Foundation Habcam surveys, VIMS dredge survey and the federal NEFSC scallop survey.
- Discuss data decisions for combining biomass estimates, data on fishery performance, and potential management scenarios for FY2023 / FY2024.
- Other business may be discussed.

#### Day 2 Agenda:

- Continue work from Day 1 agenda.
- Discuss management measures that may be considered in Framework 36 such as seasonal closures to optimize yield, and Committee tasking related to possible management objectives for a Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE).
- Discuss potential scallop work priorities for 2023.
- Other business may be discussed.

This will be an in-person meeting, with no webinar option. The Council continues to follow all public safety measures related to COVID-19 and intends to do so for this meeting. The Council is encouraging all in-person participants to wear masks while moving about the meeting room and at your discretion while seated. Additional spacing between seats will be provided to allow for social distancing. Please do not attend if you are experiencing COVID-19 symptoms or do not feel well. This meeting may be switched to a webinar at short notice due to public safety considerations.

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Members of the public may attend PDT meetings, or listen in if the meetings are broadcast, but should not expect to participate unless the PDT chair invites input. Public comments and questions will not be taken during PDT conference calls.

PDTs are responsible to the Council and work on technical analyses as directed by their oversight committee. Once complete, PDT work products are reviewed at oversight committee meetings to which the public is invited. It is at this point that comments are encouraged on a range of issues, including PDT reports and recommendations, proposed management options or other information that is relevant to the committee's business at that time. The committee, in turn, makes management recommendations to the full Council based on the full suite of information it has available to it.