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Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) Meeting

****Now a Hybrid Meeting****

Date: Thursday, August 25, 2022
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Location: Hilton Garden Inn, Boston Logan
100 Boardman Street
Boston, MA 02128
Phone: (617) 567-6789

Agenda

The SSC will meet to:

- Review recent stock assessment information from the U.S./Canada Transboundary Resources Assessment Committee and information provided by the Council's Groundfish Plan Development Team and recommend the overfishing level (OFL) and acceptable biological catch (ABC) for Georges Bank yellowtail flounder for the fishing years 2023 and 2024.
- Review stock assessment information from the 2021 Groundfish Management Track Assessment and information provided by the Council's Groundfish Plan Development Team and recommend the overfishing limits and acceptable biological catch (ABC) for Georges Bank (GB) cod for fishing years 2023 and 2024.
- Review information provided by the Council's Groundfish Plan Development Team and the results of recent Southern New England/Mid-Atlantic (SNE/MA) winter flounder management track stock assessment. Using the Council's acceptable biological catch (ABC) control rules, recommend the overfishing levels (OFL) and the ABCs for SNE/MA winter flounder for fishing years 2023, 2024 and 2025.
- Consider other business, as necessary.

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If you would like your written comments to be considered at this meeting, they must be received at the NEFMC office by 8 a.m. on **Tuesday, August 23, 2022**. Please address them to Council Chairman Eric Reid or Executive Director Tom Nies. Email submissions should be sent to comments@nefmc.org.

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Notice date: Aug 1, 2022

cc: SSC and Groundfish IPs