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MEETING NOTICE Scientific and Statistical Committee

Date: Tuesday, August 19, 2025
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.
Location: Courtyard Marriott Boston Logan
225 McClellan Highway
Boston, MA 02128
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Agenda:

The Scientific and Statistical Committee will meet to:

- Consider the information provided by the Council's Monkfish and Skate Plan Development Teams (PDT) including data updates from the Northeast Fisheries Science Center and recommend the overfishing limits (OFL) and acceptable biological catches (ABC) for:
 - Northern and Southern monkfish for fishing years (FY) 2026-2030.
 - Northeast skate complex for FY 2026-2030.
- Consider outcomes of the 2025 Atlantic Sea scallop research track assessment and Scallop PDT's recommended approach for developing specifications considering biological reference points; make recommendations for developing specifications to present to the SSC in October.
- Review outcomes of the June 2025 inaugural meeting of the SSC Social Sciences Subcommittee and provide input on the Subcommittee's workplan.
- Discuss 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 **Thursday, August 14, 2025**. Please address them to Council Chair Rick Bellavance or Executive Director Cate O'Keefe. Email submissions should be sent to comments@nefmc.org.

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Notice date: July 25, 2025

cc: SSC, Scallop, Skate and Monkfish