

New England Fishery Management Council

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MEETING NOTICE ON-DEMAND FISHING GEAR CONFLICT WORKING GROUP HYBRID MEETING

Date: Tuesday, August 26, 2025

Time: 10:00 a.m.

Location: Four Points by Sheraton

One Audubon Road Wakefield, MA 01880 Phone: (781) 245-9300

Agenda:

The On-Demand Fishing Gear Conflict Working Group (ODWG) will meet to:

- Develop recommendations to the Council to address Term of Reference 3B;
- Provide feedback regarding the Joint Alternative Gear-Marking Framework;
- Address additional terms of reference, as needed;
- Receive updates regarding on-demand fishing related activity and other relevant topics, as available;
- Other business, as necessary.

Joint Alternative Gear-Marking Framework Public Engagement Session – 4:00 – 6:00 pm

Following the ODWG meeting, the New England Fishery Management Council, in partnership with the Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office (GARFO), will hold a public engagement session on the Joint Alternative Gear-Marking Framework. The session will begin with an overview presentation of the gear-marking framework, followed by an opportunity for public questions and comments.

If you would like your written comments to be considered at this meeting, they must be received at the NEFMC office no later than **Friday**, **August 22**, **2025**. Please address them to Council Chair Rick Bellavance or Executive Director Cate O'Keefe. Email submissions should be sent to comments@nefmc.org.

Online access: This meeting will be broadcast online via Zoom. Preregistration is required. Register here: https://nefmc-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/a6ShupaTTo6ZqAFs5Q3L7A. Use VoIP with a microphone and speakers for audio. A headset is recommended.

Call in information: After registering for the meeting you will be e-mailed webinar information, including a call-in number. Please note that this is not a toll-free number.

For information about meeting materials and detailed agenda, please consult the Council's website at www.nefmc.org.

This meeting will be recorded. Consistent with 16 USC 1852, a copy of the recording is available upon request.

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities.

This schedule is subject to change. If you have questions, please call the Council office.

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cc: Working Group Members Notice date: July 30, 2025