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Meeting Agenda

Scientific and Statistical Committee
October 27-28, 2026

Hilton Garden Inn Boston Logan and via webinar
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Documents and Zoom Registration: https://www.nefmc.org/calendar/oct-27-28-2026-ssc-meeting

Tuesday, October 27	
9:00 AM	Welcome, introductions, opening remarks, agenda review (C. McManus, Chair)
9:10	**Gulf of Maine haddock OFLs and ABCs for FY 2027-2031** • Presentation: Management track assessment outcomes (Peretti, NEFSC) and peer review outcomes (Lorenzen, SSC) • SSC questions on presentation • Presentation: Groundfish PDT work on OFLs and ABCs (Frede, NEFMC) • SSC questions on presentation
10:00	Public comment
10:10	Develop Gulf of Maine haddock OFL and ABC recommendations
10:40	Break
10:50	**American plaice OFLs and ABCs for FY 2027-2031** • Presentation: Management track assessment outcomes (Hart, NEFSC) and peer review outcomes (Lorenzen, SSC) • SSC questions on presentation • Presentation: Groundfish PDT work on OFLs and ABCs (Frede) • SSC questions on presentation
11:40	Public comment
11:50	Develop American plaice OFL and ABC recommendations

12:20 PM	**Lunch**
1:40	**Pollock OFLs and ABCs for FY 2027-2031** • Presentation: NEFSC data update and Groundfish PDT work on OFLs and ABCs (Frede, NEFMC) • SSC questions on presentation
2:15	Public comment
2:25	Develop pollock OFL and ABC recommendations
2:55	Break
3:05	**Atlantic halibut OFLs and ABCs for FY 2027-2031** • Presentation: NEFSC data update and Groundfish PDT work on OFLs and ABCs (Frede, NEFMC) • SSC questions on presentation
3:50	Public comment
4:00	Develop Atlantic halibut OFL and ABC recommendations
4:30	**Other Business** • Stock assessment schedule (Cournane)
5:00	Adjourn
Wednesday, October 28	
9:00 AM	Welcome, introductions, opening remarks, agenda review (C. McManus)
9:10	**Northern silver hake OFLs and ABCs for FY 2027-2031** • Presentation: NEFSC data update and Whiting PDT work on OFLs and ABCs (Applegate, NEFMC) • SSC questions on presentation
9:55	Public comment
10:05	Develop Northern silver hake OFL and ABC recommendations
10:35	Break
10:45	**Southern whiting OFLs and ABCs for FY 2027-2031** • Presentation: NEFSC data update and Whiting PDT work on OFLs and ABCs (Applegate, NEFMC) • SSC questions on presentation
11:15	Public comment
11:25	Develop Southern whiting OFL and ABC recommendations
11:55	**Lunch**

1:15 PM	**Northern red hake OFLs and ABCs for FY 2027-2031** • Presentation: NEFSC data update and Whiting PDT work on OFLs and ABCs (Applegate, NEFMC) • SSC questions on presentation
2:00	Public comment
2:10	Develop Northern red hake OFL and ABC recommendations
2:40	Break
2:50	**Southern red hake OFLs and ABCs for FY 2027-2031** • Presentation: NEFSC data update and Whiting PDT work on OFLs and ABCs (Applegate, NEFMC) • SSC questions on presentation
3:20	Public comment
3:30	Develop Southern red hake OFL and ABC recommendations
4:00	**Other Business** • Plans for writing reports • SSC work plan updates
4:20	Adjourn

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