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Meeting Agenda

Groundfish Committee Agenda

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Thursday, June 9, 2016

- 9:00 AM** **Opening remarks and agenda review** (*Frank Blount, Chairman*)
- 9:15 AM** **Northern windowpane flounder management alternatives**
(*Jamie Cournane, PhD, NEFMC Staff*)
- Receive an update from the PDT on the development of a scallop fishery sub-ACL for northern windowpane flounder
 - Receive an update from the PDT on the development of alternatives to allocate northern windowpane flounder to sectors
 - Develop Committee recommendations on the range of alternatives
- 10:45 AM** **Break**
- 11:00 AM** **Atlantic herring – Georges bank haddock action**
(*Deirdre Boelke, NEFMC Staff*)
- Review discussion document and related recommendations of the Herring and Groundfish PDTs and Herring Committee for a framework adjustment to consider revising the Georges Bank haddock catch cap for the Atlantic herring fishery and associated accountability measures
 - Develop Committee recommendations on the range of alternatives
- 1:00 PM** **Lunch**
- 2:00 PM** **Groundfish monitoring program**
(*Cournane*)
- Receive an update from the PDT on Committee tasking regarding estimated discards and associated CVs and a draft white paper examining the groundfish monitoring program
 - Receive an update from GARFO on compliance with groundfish catch reporting
 - Develop Committee recommendations on possible alternatives for a monitoring action
- 4:00 PM** **Framework Adjustment 56**
(*Cournane*)
- Review draft action plan
 - Discuss likely range of alternatives
- 4:30 PM** **Other business**
- Develop feedback on NOAA Office of Law Enforcement Priorities (Lou Goodreau, NEFMC Staff)
- 5:00 PM** **Adjourn**