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AGENDA

CLIMATE AND ECOSYSTEM STEERING COMMITTEE

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Via Webinar: <https://nefmc-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/p8VdVDnKS9KnNTkpeJkSRw>

9:00 a.m. Welcome and review agenda.....(Pappalardo)

9:15 Species Distribution Models.....(Haak)

- Share the model outputs and describe potential applications

10:00 Ecosystem Component Species Evaluation.....(Miller)

- Review framework including evaluation factors
- Seek feedback on data & information planned for use in scoring factors
- Discuss next steps

11:00 Break

11:30 Climate and Ecosystem On Ramps Update..... (Bachman)

- Describe national on-ramps effort
- Highlight opportunities for improving use of climate and ecosystem information in New England
- Seek feedback on next steps

12:15 2026 State of the Ecosystem Report.....(Caracappa)

- Provide a high-level overview of the 2026 SOE report and seek feedback on climate forecasts section

1:00 Opportunity for questions on other items discussed in briefing memo.....(Bachman)

- Topics: Risk Policy; Holistic Strategic Plan, Portfolio Analysis, Dynamic Reference Points workshop, process mapping / unified technical report prep, other IRA-funded projects, future Communications Subcommittee opportunities; Climate Vulnerability Assessment 2.0

1:20 Other business

1:30 Adjourn