

**New England Fishery Management Council
Climate and Ecosystem Steering Committee Meeting**

**September 2, 2025
10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.**

Zoom registration link: <https://nefmc-org.zoom.us/meeting/register/4cKdQEaLQdutdtsy2Jqo4Q>

| Steering Committee Members | |
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| John Pappalardo (Chair) | Gareth Lawson |
| Katie Almeida | Kathy Mills |
| Joe Caracappa | Jocelyn Runnebaum |
| Jeremy Collie | Geoff Smith |
| Tony DiLernia | Michelle Staudinger |
| Travis Ford | Megan Ware |
| Lisa Kerr | Peter Whelan |

10:00 Welcome and review agenda (John Pappalardo)

- Recap outcomes of the May 6 meeting

10:10 Inflation Reduction Act Projects

- Staff overview of all projects (Michelle Bachman)
 - Risk Policy and ABC Control Rules (IRA 1)
 - Integrating Ecosystem Information (IRA 3.1)
 - Dynamic Reference Points Workshop (IRA 3.2)
 - Ecosystem Component Species Analysis (IRA 3.3)
 - Governance Initiatives (IRA 4.1, 4.2, 4.3)
 - Portfolio Analysis (IRA 4.4)
 - Holistic Strategic Plan (IRA 5)
 - Enhancing Participatory Processes (IRA 6)
- Presentations by IRA contractors, including requests for feedback as needed
 - Risk Policy and ABC Control Rules – Roger Brothers and Lisa Kerr, University of Maine
 - Ecosystem Component Species Analysis – Angelia Miller, Maris Collaborative
 - Portfolio Analysis – Lauran Brewster and Connor Coscino, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth

12:00 Break

12:30 Subcommittee updates (Michelle Bachman)

- Process mapping
- Communications

1:15 NOAA NEFSC Initiatives

- State of the Ecosystem Report Planning (Joe Caracappa)
- Developing short versions of Ecosystem and Socioeconomic Profiles (Joe Caracappa)

Updated August 22, 2025

- Changing Ecosystems and Fisheries Initiative MOM6 Forecasts (Andrew Ross)

2:15 Wrap up and other business (John Pappalardo, Michelle Bachman)

- Recap decisions and summarize next steps
- Discuss other business

2:30 Adjourn

MEETING MATERIALS

1. Tasking memo from Steering Committee Chair John Pappalardo
2. Presentations
 - a. NEFMC staff presentation
 - b. ABC Control Rules – Dr. Lisa Kerr, University of Maine
 - c. Ecosystem Component Species – Angelia Miller, Maris Collaborative
 - d. Portfolio Analysis – Dr. Luran Brewster, UMass Dartmouth
 - e. NOAA staff presentation
3. May 6, 2025 meeting summary
4. Inflation Reduction Act
 - a. Briefs that describe scope of work, staffing, and timeline for each NEFMC initiative, August 2025
 - b. Status update, August 2025
5. Subcommittee materials
 - a. Process Mapping Subcommittee updated work plan
 - b. Specifications process schematic
 - c. Communications Subcommittee updated work plan