



# New England Fishery Management Council

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## Council Seeks Applicants for Vacancies on Whiting, Herring APs

The New England Fishery Management Council is soliciting applicants to fill one vacancy on its Whiting Advisory Panel and another vacancy on its Herring Advisory Panel (AP). The appointments will run through December 2022. The application deadline is **Friday, September 4, 2020**.

Advisory panel members reflect a wide range of expertise covering different gear types, user groups, geographic locations, and social and economic perspectives.

“We’re looking for applicants who understand the whiting and herring fisheries and are ready to commit to an active role on an AP,” said Council Executive Director Tom Nies. “We recognize that being an AP member can be challenging and sometimes time-demanding, but the Council benefits from the expertise of its AP members and genuinely appreciates their involvement in the development of our actions.”

- Details about the role and responsibilities of advisory panels can be found in the [AP Policy](#) in the Council’s Operations Handbook.
- Here is the [announcement](#) and the [online application form](#). If you prefer, the Council can email or mail

you a copy of the form. Contact Joan O’Leary at (978) 465-0492 ext. 101, [joleary@nefmc.org](mailto:joleary@nefmc.org) with your request.

Interested in Becoming a  
Whiting or Herring Advisor?  
Apply Now!  
Everything You Need to Know  
is Available [HERE](#)



Atlantic Herring



Small-Mesh Multispecies  
(Whiting)

- **NOTE:** If you applied to serve on the Whiting or Herring AP within the last year and want to be reconsidered, you do not need to reapply as long as you have no changes to your application. However, please call or email Joan O’Leary at the number and address above to let her know you’re still interested.
- All nominees are subject to an additional level of review by NOAA’s Office of Law Enforcement and may be declined because of a marine resource violation.
- Advisors will be reimbursed for travel expenses.
- The Council’s Executive Committee has final approval over new advisory panel members.