



New England Fishery Management Council

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Meeting Notice

JOINT VMS/ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE AND ADVISORY PANEL MEETING

Date: Monday, October 27, 2014

Time: 1:00 p.m.

Location: Courtyard by Marriott
32 Exchange Street
Providence, RI 02903
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Agenda Items:

- Review Scallop Framework 26, including 1) potential changes to access area boundaries; 2) measures to allow a limited access vessel to declare out of the fishery on return to port; 3) measures to allow fishing in state waters after federal Northern Gulf of Maine (NGOM) TAC is reached; 4) measures to make turtle regulations consistent in the scallop fishery; 5) measures to modify the existing area closure accountability measures in place for Georges Bank and Southern New England/Mid-Atlantic yellowtail flounder, and develop new accountability measures for northern windowpane flounder; and measures to modify flaring bar regulations on turtle deflector dredges.
- Review a measure proposed in Groundfish Amendment 18, to allow vessels to use a 5.5 inch codend within the redfish exemption area on trips with an observer or approved electronic monitoring technology onboard.
- Other business

If you are submitting comments for consideration at this meeting they must be received at the Council office by 12 p.m. EST on Wednesday, October 22, 2014.

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities.

This schedule is subject to change. If you have questions, please call the Council office for final confirmation of meeting times, dates and locations.

Directions:

From 95 North or South: Take Exit 22A which will bring you directly to the hotel parking garage. Once you park, take the elevator to the lobby and the front desk staff will direct you to the meeting room

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cc: Council Members, VMS/Enforcement advisors and IPs, Scallop IPs, PDT and AP

Notice date: Monday, October 6, 2014