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Council Meeting Agenda
Tuesday and Wednesday, February 25-26, 2014
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Tuesday, February 25, 2014

9:30 a.m. Introductions and Announcements (Council Chairman Terry Stockwell)

9:35 Open Period for Public Comments (Terry Stockwell)

Opportunity for the public to provide brief comments on items relevant to Council business but not listed on the agenda; please note, a revised Council policy calls for individuals to sign up to comment during this period and limit remarks to 3-5 minutes

9:45 Recreational Groundfish Fishery Discussion (Frank Blount)

After consideration of recommendations from its Recreational Advisory Panel, develop recommendations for proactive accountability measures for Gulf of Maine haddock and Gulf of Maine cod for fishing year 2014

10:30 Habitat Committee Report (David Preble)

Omnibus Essential Fish Habitat Amendment 2 - Review the associated Draft Environmental Impact Statement, identify preferred alternatives and approve the DEIS for initial submission to NOAA

12:30 p.m. Lunch Break

1:30 Habitat Committee Report - *continued until adjournment for the day*

Wednesday, February 26, 2014

8:30 a.m. Habitat Committee Report - *continued from the previous day*

12:00 p.m. Lunch Break

1:00 Habitat Committee Report - *continued until completion of this agenda item*

4:30 Other Business

Times listed next to the agenda items are estimates and are subject to change.

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities.

Council member financial disclosure forms are available for examination at the meeting

Although other non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305 (c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

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Submitting Comments? If you plan to submit written comments to be included in the materials for Council consideration at this meeting, they must be received at the NEFMC office by 12 p.m. EST on Thursday, February 20, 2014. If using email, please send to comments@nefmc.org.