

NEW ENGLAND FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Habitat/Marine Protected Areas/Ecosystems

I. STATUS

Meetings:

Committee: The Habitat Committee met on November 14 to discuss the continuing development of the Phase II vulnerability analysis.

The next Committee meeting has not been scheduled.

Plan Development Team: The PDT met on November 3-4 in Gloucester and again on November 17 by conference call to discuss developing the Phase II vulnerability analysis.

The next PDT meeting has not been scheduled.

Advisory Panel: The Advisory Panel has not met since the last Council meeting. The next Advisory Panel meeting has not been scheduled.

II. COUNCIL ACTION

- Review the Plan Development Team's vulnerability assessment for the adverse effects of fishing on essential fish habitat.

III. INFORMATION

1. PDT conference call summary dated September 30, 2008
2. Committee meeting summary dated October 2, 2008
3. PDT meeting summary dated November 3-4, 2008