



Agenda
NEFMC Habitat Advisory Panel Meeting
Four Points Sheraton, 407 Squire Road, Revere, MA
August 12, 2010
9:30 a.m.

1. Discuss June 2010 habitat committee motions
2. Discuss potential to use gear modifications as a mechanism for reducing the impacts of fishing on EFH
 - Potential modifications include roller gear maximum size limits and ground cable maximum length limits
 - This will include a briefing on the PDT's recent discussions
3. Discuss need for and concerns about dedicated habitat research areas
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4. Discuss other issues related to alternatives development (e.g. unintended gear conflicts that might arise due to changes in habitat management areas or measures)

Recommendations from the Advisory Panel will be considered by the Habitat Committee at their next meeting in September (date TBD, postponed from August 26).

Documents:

1. Committee meeting summary from June 10 with motions (attached)
2. PDT meeting summary from July 26/27 with gear modification and DHRA discussion (will be emailed by August 9)