

New England Fishery Management Council

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Meeting Notice GROUNDFISH ADVISORY PANEL

Date: Tuesday, April 1, 2014

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Location: Sheraton Colonial Hotel

One Audubon Road Wakefield, MA 01880

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Agenda:

- Discuss draft alternatives for consideration in Amendment 18 (A18), an amendment to address fleet diversity and accumulation limits in the commercial groundfish fishery; and develop recommendations to the Groundfish Oversight Committee (OSC) on the A18 draft alternatives.
- o Discuss draft alternatives for Framework Adjustment 52 (FW 52), a narrow and focused framework to revise commercial groundfish fishery accountability measures for Southern windowpane flounder and Northern windowpane flounder stocks; and develop recommendations to the Groundfish OSC on the FW 52 draft alternatives.
- o Receive an update from the Northeast Fisheries Science Center on progress for the empirical benchmark assessment for Georges Bank yellowtail flounder.
- o Other business.

GROUNDFISH OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Date: Friday, April 4, 2014

Time: 10:00 a.m.
Location: Same as above

Agenda:

- Discuss draft alternatives for consideration in A18; review work from the Groundfish Plan Development Team (PDT) related to A18; review GAP recommendations on the A18 draft alternatives; and develop recommendations to the Council on the A18 alternatives to include in the DEIS for analysis.
- O Discuss draft alternatives for consideration in FW 52; review work from the PDT related to FW 52; review GAP recommendations on the FW 52 draft alternatives; and develop recommendations to the Council on the FW 52 alternatives to include in the DEA for analysis. This meeting may be considered the first framework adjustment meeting for this action but this determination is currently under review.
- o Other business.

Note: If you are submitting written comments for consideration at these meetings, we must receive them by noon on Friday, March 28, 2014.

These meetings are 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.

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cc: Council Members, Groundfish IPs, Advisors and PDT members

Notice date: Tuesday, March 11, 2014

Directions:
From I95/Route 128 North: Follow I95/Route 128 North to Exit 42. Take a left at the stop sign onto Salem Street. Take the first left onto Pleasure Island Road at the Sunoco Station. The first right is the entrance to the hotel.
From I95/Route 128 South: Follow I95/Route 128 South to Exit 42. Take a right off the exit. Take first right into the hotel.