

New England Fishery Management Council

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Meeting Notice Scientific and Statistical Committee

Date: Wednesday, January 25, 2012

Time: 8:00 a.m.

Location: Hotel Providence (*Tilden Thurber Ballroom*)

http://www.hotelprovidence.com/

137 Mathewson Street, Providence, RI 02903 Telephone: 401/861-8000; Fax: 401/861-8002

Agenda: The New England Fishery Management Council's Scientific and Statistical Committee

(SSC) will meet on Wednesday, January 25th at 8 a.m. to:

a) Review the 2011 Gulf of Maine cod assessment to become familiar with its assumptions and results:

- b) Identify information that was not previously considered and that might influence the interpretation of the assessment results; specify whether the possible influence of these elements warrants a closer examination at a future SSC or other meeting and provide advice on the structure and timing of any future meeting the SSC believes is warranted;
- c) Review a range of catch levels for Gulf of Maine cod provided by the Council's Groundfish Plan Development Team (PDT) and comment on the impacts of these catch levels on the Gulf of Maine cod stock and review PDT methods for estimating economic impacts of GOM cod catch levels;
- d) Other business may be discussed.

Directions: From I-95 North or South, take Exit 22A downtown, Memorial Boulevard. Drive straight on Memorial Boulevard through 4 traffic lights. At the 5th traffic light, turn right onto Westminster Street. Follow Westminster Street to the corner of Mathewson Street. Turn right onto Mathewson Street for valet parking.

Flying? Providence Airport is located 10 miles from the hotel. You can catch a cab or there is a shuttle available that leaves every hour on the hour for \$11/ow. The 'Airport Shuttle Van' can be picked up at the baggage claim area. Advance reservations are not required but if you prefer to call them, you can reach them at 401-737-2868.

Hotel Parking: \$12/day; \$26/overnight

Wireless: Complimentary in guest and meeting rooms.

If you are submitting comments for consideration at this meeting they must be received at the Council office by 12 p.m. EST on Monday, January 23, 2012.

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.

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cc: SSC Members; Council Members Notice date: January 11, 2012