

New England Fishery Management Council

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DRAFT Meeting Agenda Scientific and Statistical Committee Crowne Plaza Hotel, Warwick, RI Monday and Tuesday, August 10 – August 11, 2009

Monday, August 10, 2009

1:00 p.m. Opening Remarks and Agenda Review (S	Steve Cadrin,	SSC Chairman)
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- 1:10 **Finalize Groundfish ABCs** Review the Groundfish Plan Development Team's calculations of ABCs for groundfish stocks to apply to fishing years 2010-2012 using the guidance previously provided by the SSC; finalize recommendations to the Council (Tom Nies, Council staff)
- 5:30 **Review SSC Activities** Discuss upcoming meetings including the EBFM Workshop, SSC representation at the September 22-24 Council meeting, National SSC Workshop, and SAW/SARC terms of reference (Steve Cadrin, SSC Chairman)

Tuesday, August 11, 2009

- 8:30 a.m. **Preliminary Herring ABC Discussion** Review the 2009 TRAC Assessment results for the Atlantic herring complex and Plan Development Team documents; provide preliminary guidance to the Herring PDT regarding approaches to account for scientific uncertainty, specifying ABC, and developing an ABC control rule (Lori Steele, Council staff)
- 10:30 **Finalize ABC for Sea Scallops** Review an updated quantitative analyses of uncertainty of OFL based on a previous SSC recommendation, and if appropriate finalize a scallop ABC recommendation for fishing year 2010 (Deirdre Boelke, Council staff)
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch Break
- 1:30 **Scallop ABC Discussion** continued
- 3:30 **Preliminary Red Crab ABC Discussion** Review the process proposed by the Red Crab Plan Development Team for specifying ABC and for setting ACLs and AMs, with consideration given to the December 2008 Data Poor Workshop findings (Tony Chute, NEFSC)

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.