

New England Fishery Management Council
Habitat Advisory Panel Meeting
Hilton Garden Inn, Boston, MA
November 5, 2018

| Habitat Advisory Panel Membership | |
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| Christopher McGuire, Falmouth, MA - <i>Chair</i> | Ben Martens, Brunswick, ME |
| Gib Brogan, Wayland, MA | Drew Minkiewicz, Alexandria, VA |
| Beth Casoni, Marshfield, MA | Maggie Raymond, Berwick, ME |
| Ben Cowie-Haskell, Scituate, MA | Ron Smolowitz, E. Falmouth, MA |
| Jeff Kaelin, Cape May, NJ | Dave Wallace, Cambridge, MD |
| Megan Lapp, Narragansett, RI | John Williamson, Kennebunk, ME |

AGENDA

10:00 a.m. Welcome and review agenda

10:10 a.m. Clam framework

- Review range of alternatives in the clam dredge framework. These alternatives were developed by the Habitat Plan Development Team with guidance from the Habitat Committee and the Council.
- Review the PDT's preliminary analysis of alternatives.
- Discuss findings of the Council's Enforcement Committee regarding the use of 5-minute VMS to monitor fishing activity within potential exemption areas.
- Provide feedback to the Habitat Committee about the alternatives and related analyses.

12:30 p.m. Lunch break

1:30 p.m. Clam framework, continued

2:30 p.m. Other business

- Offshore energy (discuss South Fork Construction and Operations Plan/Notice of Intent; other updates as appropriate)
- Council priorities related to habitat

4:00 p.m. Adjourn

MEETING MATERIALS

1. Advisory Panel tasking memo
2. Meeting summaries
 - a. Habitat PDT – August 13, 2018
 - b. Habitat Committee – August 28, 2018
 - c. Habitat PDT – September 18, 2018
 - d. Habitat PDT – October 23, 2018
 - e. Enforcement Committee – November 1, 2018 - DRAFT
3. Habitat PDT memo to Habitat Committee re clam framework alternatives
4. List of potential 2019 Council priorities related to habitat
5. Correspondence

Other clam framework materials at: <https://www.nefmc.org/library/clam-dredge-framework>

South Fork COP and NOI are located at: <https://www.boem.gov/South-Fork/>

Full 2019 Council task list: https://s3.amazonaws.com/nefmc.org/13a_2019_Tasks_Council_180910.pdf