



## New England Fishery Management Council

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# Ecosystem-Based Fishery Management Plan Development Team Conference Call

**Date: Wednesday, December 12, 2018**

**Time: 1:30 p.m.**

### **Agenda:**

The EBFM PDT will present and discuss initial draft documents for the following example Fishery Ecosystem Plan (eFEP) components:

- Options to respond to an overfished stock (with a catch limit that is part of a stock complex) in an ecosystem plan.
- Options to set Allowable Biological Catch for stock complexes in an ecosystem plan, via allocations to fishery functional groups (e.g. types of fisheries defined by gear, mesh, vessel size or other characteristics).
- Issues related to spatial management and ecosystem productivity, including habitat, spawning, and protected species issues.

### **Call In information:**

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### **Online access:**

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