Habitat Plan Development Team Conference Call

Date: Thursday, December 20, 2018
Time: 1:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.

Agenda:

1:00 Introduction
   • Summary of clam dredge framework final action recommendations (Council staff)
   • Summary of next steps in terms of developing a research plan for the Great South Channel Habitat Management Area (Council staff)
   • Brief introduction to EFP process (Council or GARFO staff)

1:15 Opportunity for questions (open to PDT, fishing industry members, other participants)

1:25 Initial discussion of possible research questions and potential approaches to answering them (PDT members)

1:50 Opportunity for questions (open to fishing industry members, other participants)

2:00 Adjourn

A longer meeting to discuss these issues will be scheduled for a later date; this call is intended as a starting point only.

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