

# New England Fishery Management Council

## Three Meeting Outlook – June through December 2019

(Last updated April 24, 2019 and subject to change pending new information)

June 11-13, 2019 South Portland, ME	September 24-26, 2019 Gloucester, MA	December 3-5, 2019 Newport, RI
<b>Atlantic Herring</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Framework 6: final action on 2019-2021 specifications, overfishing definition</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Georges Bank Spawning: presentation on draft Discussion Document</li> <li>Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE): update on review of process used for Amendment 8</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE): final report on review of process used for Amendment 8</li> </ul>
<b>Habitat</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Offshore Energy: update</li> <li>Great South Channel Habitat Management Area (HMA): update on research planning efforts</li> <li>Fishing Effects Model: PDT report</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Offshore Energy: update</li> <li>2019 Priorities: update on habitat-related work</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Offshore Energy: update</li> <li>2019 Priorities: update on habitat work</li> </ul>
<b>Groundfish</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Framework 59: initiate action to include (1) 2020 total allowable catches (TACs) for US/Canada stocks of Eastern Georges Bank (GB) cod, Eastern GB haddock, and GB yellowtail flounder, (2) 2020-2022 specifications for all stocks, and (3) other measures</li> <li>Monitoring Amendment 23: receive SSC report on groundfish monitoring issues; approve range of alternatives for analysis</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Framework 59: (1) approve framework's range of alternatives; (2) receive TMGC's TAC recommendations for U.S./Canada stocks; (3) receive SSC's 2020-2021 Georges Bank yellowtail flounder OFL and ABC recommendations</li> <li>Monitoring Amendment 23: approve DEIS for public hearings, select preferred alternatives</li> <li>Groundfish Catch Share Review: update</li> <li>Party/Charter Limited Entry: receive summary of input from listening sessions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Framework 59: final action to include (1) 2020 TACs for US/Canada stocks of Eastern Georges Bank (GB) cod, Eastern GB haddock, and GB yellowtail flounder, (2) 2020-2022 specifications for all stocks, and (3) other measures</li> <li>Monitoring Amendment 23: final action</li> <li>Groundfish Catch Share Review: update</li> </ul>
<b>Sea Scallops</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scallop Research Set-Aside (RSA) Program: approve 2020-2021 RSA priorities</li> <li>Framework 32: Initiate action containing 2020 fishery specifications, 2021 defaults, other measures</li> <li>Amendment 21: Review scoping comments; develop goals and objectives</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Framework 32: progress report, including overview of 2019 surveys</li> <li>Amendment 21: progress report on action to address (1) Northern Gulf of Maine (NGOM) Management Area issues, (2) Limited Access General Category (LAGC) possession limit, and (3) IFQ transfers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Framework 32: final action</li> <li>Amendment 21: approve range of alternatives for public hearings</li> </ul>
<b>Ecosystem-Based Fishery Management (EBFM)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Georges Bank example Fishery Ecosystem Plan (eFEP): progress report on eFEP components, including data and monitoring, incentive-based measures, and draft ecosystem forage fish management strategies</li> <li>Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE): update on initial planning</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Georges Bank eFEP: presentation of draft report</li> <li>Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE): steering committee recommendations on strategies to solicit input on ecosystem management</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE): update</li> </ul>
<b>Small-Mesh Multispecies (Whiting)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bycatch: receive analysis of sea sampling data on bycatch in the small-mesh multispecies fishery</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Annual Monitoring Report: 2018 fishing year</li> </ul>	
<b>Skates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Framework 8: initiate action for 2020-2021 specifications and other measures if needed</li> <li>Northeast Skate Complex Amendment 5: progress report on development of limited access program</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Framework 8: update</li> <li>Annual Monitoring Report: fishing year 2018</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Framework 8: final action for 2020-2021 specifications and other measures if needed</li> </ul>
<b>Monkfish</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Framework 12: initiate action for 2020-2022 specifications and other measures if needed</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Framework 12: update</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Framework 12: final action on 2020-2022 specifications, other measures</li> </ul>
	<b>Observer Policy/Industry-Funded Monitoring</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Policy and strategic approach to monitoring commercial fisheries: committee update</li> </ul>	
	<b>Deep-Sea Red Crab</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2020-2022 Specifications: final action</li> </ul>	
<b>Other</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Atlantic Large Whale TRT: GARFO report</li> <li>Addressing Recreational Fishing Issues: Council</li> <li>MAFMC Commercial eVTRs: continue discussion</li> <li>South Atlantic Charter/Headboat eVTRs: NMFS</li> <li>GARFO/NEFSC Joint Regional Strategic Plan: GARFO</li> <li>NEFSC Fishery Management and Research Division: report on activities</li> <li>HMS: NOAA Fisheries briefing on proposed actions; Advisory Panel report on May 21-23 meeting</li> <li>Modern Fish Act: briefing</li> <li>RSA Program Review: Committee recommendations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Election of Officers</li> <li>Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary: report</li> <li>Council Priorities: initial discussion</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council Priorities: final action</li> <li>Fishery Dependent Data Initiative: annual report, GARFO presentation</li> </ul>