

June 2021 Council Meeting Agenda

Monday, June 7 - Thursday, June 10, 2021

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Monday, June 7 th	
1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Executive Committee (Closed Session) - Develop Advisory Panel appointment recommendations
Tuesday, June 8 th	
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	2020 MRIP Estimation Methodology Presentation (Tab 1) (Dr. Richard Cody, NOAA Fisheries Office of Science and Technology, Fisheries Statistics Division)
10:00 a.m.	Council Convenes with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's Bluefish Management Board
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	 Bluefish Allocation and Rebuilding Amendment – Final Action (Tab 2) Review public comments and recommendations from the Advisory Panel and Fishery Management Action Team (FMAT)
Lunch 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m	
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Bluefish Allocation and Rebuilding Amendment (Continued) - Consider final action
3:00 p.m.	Council and Bluefish Board Adjourn
	Council Convenes with the ASMFC Interstate Fisheries Management Program Policy Board
3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	Recreational Reform Initiative (Tab 3)
	 Receive update and discuss next steps
4:30 p.m.	Council and Policy Board Adjourn
Wednesday, June 9th	
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Atlantic Surfclam and Ocean Quahog 2022 Specifications Review (Tab 4)

Committee (SSC), and staff

Review recommendations from the Advisory Panel, Scientific and Statistical

Recommend any changes to (previously set) 2022 specifications if necessary
 Receive brief update on other surf clam and ocean quahog activities (clam

survey, genetics study, species separation issues, etc.)

10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Longfin Squid and Butterfish 2022 Specifications Review (Tab 5)

- Review recommendations from the Advisory Panel, SSC, and staff
- Review (previously set) 2022 longfin squid and butterfish specifications and recommend any changes if necessary
- Consider changes to the butterfish mesh regulations

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. ///ex Squid 2021-2022 Specifications (Tab 6)

- Review recommendations from the Advisory Panel, SSC, and staff
- Approve 2022 Illex squid specifications
- Consider revisions to 2021 Illex squid specifications
- Consider changes to the Illex incidental trip limit during fishery closures
- Consider an additional Illex control date

----- Lunch 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. -----

1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Unmanaged Commercial Landings Report (Tab 7)

- Review annual report on landings of unmanaged species

2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Habitat Update (Tab 8)

 Update from NOAA Fisheries Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office (GARFO) Habitat Conservation Division on activities of interest (aquaculture, other projects) in the region

3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. Offshore Wind Updates (Tab 9)

- Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)
- GARFO
- Offshore Wind Developers
 - · Vineyard Wind
 - Ørsted (South Fork and Ocean Wind)

Thursday, June 10th

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

ASMFC Policy Board Remand of Black Sea Bass Commercial State Allocations (Tab 10)

 Council discussion of ASMFC Policy Board decision to remand the commercial black sea bass state allocations to the Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Management Board and implications for the associated joint amendment/addendum.

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Business Session

Committee Reports (Tab 11)

- SSC
- Research Steering Committee

Executive Director's Report (Tab 12) (Dr. Chris Moore)

- Update on Atlantic Large Whale Take Reduction Team discussions relative to the Mid-Atlantic region
- Discussion of Draft Amendment 13 to the Consolidated Atlantic HMS FMP

Organization Reports

- GARFO
 - o Update on the Biological Opinion for the Scallop FMP
- NOAA Fisheries Northeast Fisheries Science Center
- NOAA Office of General Counsel
- NOAA Office of Law Enforcement
- US Coast Guard

Liaison Reports (Tab 13) – New England Council, South Atlantic Council

Other Business and General Public Comment

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