

SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS—  
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Groundfish Advisory Subpanel .....	8 a.m.
Groundfish Management Team .....	8 a.m.
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel .....	8 a.m.
Highly Migratory Species Management Team .....	8 a.m.
Enforcement Consultants .....	Ad hoc
<i>Day 7—Sunday, September 18, 2016</i>	
California State Delegation ...	7 a.m.
Oregon State Delegation .....	7 a.m.
Washington State Delegation	7 a.m.
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel .....	8 a.m.
Groundfish Management Team .....	8 a.m.
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel .....	8 a.m.
Highly Migratory Species Management Team .....	8 a.m.
Enforcement Consultants .....	Ad hoc
<i>Day 8—Monday, September 19, 2016</i>	
California State Delegation ...	7 a.m.
Oregon State Delegation .....	7 a.m.
Washington State Delegation	7 a.m.
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel .....	8 a.m.
Highly Migratory Species Management Team .....	8 a.m.
Enforcement Consultants .....	Ad hoc
<i>Day 9—Tuesday, September 20, 2016</i>	
California State Delegation ...	7 a.m.
Oregon State Delegation .....	7 a.m.
Washington State Delegation	7 a.m.

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#### Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt at (503) 820-2280 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: August 24, 2016.

**Jeffrey N. Lonergan,**

*Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

#### Ocean Exploration Advisory Board (OEAB)

**AGENCY:** Office of Ocean Exploration and Research (OER) National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Department of Commerce (DOC).

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the Ocean Exploration Advisory Board (OEAB). OEAB members will discuss and provide advice on Federal ocean exploration programs, with a particular emphasis on National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Office of Ocean Exploration and Research (OER) activities; federal ocean exploration partners, including the Cooperative Institute for Ocean Exploration, Research, and Technology, the Office of Naval Research, and NOAA's Integrated Ocean Observing System program; advising NOAA on out-year budget development with respect to ocean exploration; and other matters as described in the agenda found on the OEAB Web site at <http://oeab.noaa.gov>.

**TIME AND DATES:** The announced meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 13, 2016 from 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m. EDT, and Wednesday, September 14, 2016 from 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. EDT.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Boeing Company, 929 Long Bridge Drive, Arlington, VA 22202.

**STATUS:** The meeting will be open to the public with a 30 minute public comment period on Tuesday, September 13, 2016 from 2:45 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. EDT (please check the agenda on the Web site to confirm the time). The public may listen to the meeting and provide comments during the public comment period via teleconference. Dial-in information may be found on the meeting agenda posted to the OEAB Web site.

The OEAB expects that public statements at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted verbal or written statements. In general, each individual or group making a verbal presentation will be limited to three minutes. The Designated Federal Officer must receive written comments by September 1, 2016 to provide sufficient time for OEAB review. Written comments received after September 1, 2016 will be distributed to

the OEAB but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting date. Seats will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

**SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS:** These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to David McKinnie, Designated Federal Officer (see below) by September 1, 2016.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. David McKinnie, Designated Federal Officer, Ocean Exploration Advisory Board, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, 7600 Sand Point Way NE., Seattle, WA 98115, (206) 526-6950.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** NOAA established the OEAB under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) and legislation that gives the agency statutory authority to operate an ocean exploration program and to coordinate a national program of ocean exploration. The OEAB advises NOAA leadership on strategic planning, exploration priorities, competitive ocean exploration grant programs and other matters as the NOAA Administrator requests.

OEAB members represent government agencies, the private sector, academic institutions, and not-for-profit institutions involved in all facets of ocean exploration—from advanced technology to citizen exploration.

In addition to advising NOAA leadership, NOAA expects the OEAB to help to define and develop a national program of ocean exploration—a network of stakeholders and partnerships advancing national priorities for ocean exploration.

Dated: August 24, 2016.

**Jason Donaldson,**

*Chief Financial Officer, Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**RIN 0648-XE844**

#### New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice; public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Scallop Advisory Panel to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

**DATES:** This meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at 9:30 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Fairfield Inn & Suites, 185 MacArthur Drive, New Bedford, MA 02740; phone: (774) 634-2000; fax: (774) 634-2001.

*Council address:* New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Agenda**

The Advisory Panel will review preliminary 2016 scallop survey results and discuss initial recommendations from the Scallop Plan Development Team (PDT) for FY 2017 and FY 2018 (default) fishery specifications (Framework 28). They plan to review and provide input on Framework 28 management measures; which include: (1) Restricting the possession of shell stock inshore of the days-at-sea demarcation line north of 42°20' N; (2) Modifying the process for distributing scallop fishery projected landing (ACL flowchart); (3) Modifying the Closed Area I AA boundary consistent with potential changes to habitat and groundfish mortality closures. Other business will be discussed as necessary.

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**Special Accommodations**

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, at

(978) 465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: August 24, 2016.

**Jeffrey N. Lonergan,**

*Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**RIN 0648-XE846**

**Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Public Meeting**

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice; public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) of the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a meeting.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 14, 2016, beginning at 10 a.m. and conclude by 5 p.m. For agenda details, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be at the Royal Sonesta Harbor Court, 550 Light Street, Baltimore, MD 21202; telephone: (410) 234-0550.

*Council address:* Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N. State Street, Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674-2331 or on their Web site at [www.mafmc.org](http://www.mafmc.org).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christopher M. Moore, Ph.D., Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, telephone: (302) 526-5255.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Agenda items to be discussed at the SSC meeting include: Review fishery performance report and multi-year ABC specifications for spiny dogfish; and discuss MAFMC risk policy and assignment of CVs for Mid-Atlantic stock assessments.

Dated: August 24, 2016.

**Jeffrey N. Lonergan,**

*Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**RIN 0648-XE848**

**Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Public Meeting**

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council's Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Advisory Panel will meet to provide input on an Amendment that could affect the longfin and *Illex* squid fisheries.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Tuesday, September 13, 2016, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Radisson Hotel Providence Airport, 2081 Post Road Warwick, RI 02886; telephone: (401) 739-3000.

*Council address:* Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N. State St., Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674-2331.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christopher M. Moore, Ph.D. Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; telephone: (302) 526-5255. The Council's Web site, [www.mafmc.org](http://www.mafmc.org) will also have details on the proposed agenda and briefing materials.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Advisory Panel will provide input on an Amendment to the Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fishery Management Plan. The amendment could reduce the capacities of the longfin squid and *Illex* squid fleets. The Council is considering this action because of concern that activation of latent capacity in the squid fisheries could lead to excessive fishing effort and increased catch of non-target species. Several other issues are being considered as well: (1) New permits for Maine/northern states; (2) re-evaluation of longfin squid trimesters; and (3) longfin squid buffer zones (*e.g.* 10 miles) beyond state waters in the area south of Martha's Vineyard/Nantucket.

**Special Accommodations**

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aid should be directed to M. Jan Saunders, (302) 526-5251, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.