



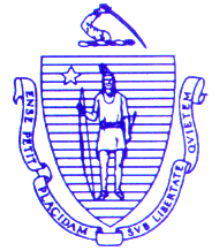
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Marine Fisheries Advisory

DMF to Host Offshore Lobster Team Meeting

The Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries will host a conference call of the Area 3 Lobster Conservation Management Team (LCMT) on Monday, January 9, 2017 at 9 AM.

The Area 3 LCMT is one of seven teams of fishermen that serve to make recommendations to the American Lobster Board of the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission. The Commission oversees the interstate management plan for American lobster and the U.S fishery is divided into seven geographic zones. Area 3 is the offshore fishery zone that spans from the Canadian border to North Carolina.

The meeting will serve to update the team on the latest progress of ASMFC Lobster Addendum 25, which is intended to increase egg production in the Southern New England Stock area where the stock has declined. In addition the LCMT will elect a new chairman.

Call in information for the conference call is:

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