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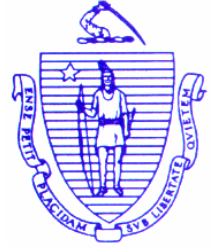
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### **Marine Fisheries Advisory**

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts is hosting an ASMFC hearing on Addendum X to the American Lobster Interstate Fishery Management Plan on Wednesday, November 29<sup>th</sup> in Dedham. See the ASMFC press release below for further information.

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### **States Schedule Public Hearings on Draft Addendum X *Addendum Proposes Establishment of Landing Data Collection Program***

The Commission's American Lobster Management Board approved sending forward for public comment Draft Addendum X to Amendment 3 to the Interstate Fishery Management Plan for American Lobster. Maine, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island have scheduled their public hearings to gather comment on the Draft Addendum. The dates, times and locations of the scheduled meetings follow:

#### **Maine Department of Marine Resources**

*November 27, 2006; 6:00 PM*

University of Maine at Machias,

Science Building, Room 102

9 O'Brien Ave.

Machias, Maine

Contact: Terry Stockwell at (207)633-9556

*November 28, 2006; 6:00 PM*

Rockland City Hall,

Council Chambers

270 Pleasant Street

Rockland, Maine

Contact: Terry Stockwell at (207)633-9556

*November 29, 2006; 6:00 PM*

Ellsworth City Hall

Council Chambers

1 City Hall Plaza

Ellsworth, Maine

Contact: Terry Stockwell at (207)633-9556

*November 30, 2006; 6:00 PM*

Eastland Park Hotel, Longfellow Room A

157 High Street

Portland, Maine  
Contact: Terry Stockwell at (207)633-9556

**Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries**

*November 29, 2006; 6:00 PM*

Holiday Inn  
55 Ariadne, US 1A & I 95/128  
Dedham, Massachusetts  
Contact: Melanie Griffin at (617)626-1528

**Rhode Island Division of Fish and Wildlife**

*December 6, 2006; 6:00 PM*

URI Narragansett Bay Campus  
Corless Auditorium  
South Ferry Road  
Narragansett, Rhode Island  
Contact: Tom Angel at (401)423-1931

The Draft Addendum proposes the establishment of a landings data collection program that is consistent with the standards of the Atlantic Coastal Cooperative Statistics Program and responds to the recommendations of the 2005 Lobster Stock Assessment and Peer Review Advisory Report.

Fishermen and other interested groups are encouraged to provide input on Draft Addendum X, either by attending public hearings or providing written comments. Copies can be obtained by contacting the Commission at (202)289-6400 or via the Commission's website at [www.asmfc.org](http://www.asmfc.org) under Breaking News. Public comment will be accepted until **5:00 PM on December 15, 2006** and should be forwarded to Toni Kerns, Senior Fisheries Management Plan Coordinator for Management, 1444 'Eye' Street, NW, Sixth Floor, Washington, DC 20005; (202)289-6051 (FAX) or at [tkerns@asmfc.org](mailto:tkerns@asmfc.org) (Subject line: Draft Addendum X). For more information, please contact Toni Kerns at (202)289-6400.