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MASSACHUSETTS SHELLFISH INITIATIVE TASK FORCE MEETING SCHEDULED

The Massachusetts Shellfish Initiative (MSI) Task Force is scheduled to hold a virtual public meeting on Friday, December 4, 2020 at 9AM. The meeting will be held via Zoom Webinar. The purpose of the meeting is to review recent work by the Steering, Scoping, and Assessment Committees and to begin process to develop a strategic plan. More information regarding how to login to this public meeting is provided at the end of this advisory. This login information and the full agenda may be found on the MSI's webpage.

The MSI is a stakeholder driven effort spearheaded by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to provide overarching guidelines, goals, and strategic planning for the state to maximize the economic, environmental, and social benefits of Massachusetts' shellfish resources. The MSI is not a regulatory body and does not have the authority to amend state or local shellfish regulations or policies.

Over the past two years, the MSI's Assessment Committee and Scoping Committee have produced extensive reports on the state's shellfish resources, shellfish fisheries, and other shellfish related activities in the Commonwealth. These reports were recently published and are available on the MSI's website. With the completion of these reports, the MSI is convening its Task Force to begin developing a strategic plan.

MSI Task Force Meeting Webinar Login Information

9:00 AM
December 4, 2020
Held Virtually Via Zoom
Webinar Link: https://bit.ly/3fOSzrS
Dial In: 1-929-436-2866

Webinar ID: 828 1205 7439 Webinar Passcode: 575248

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