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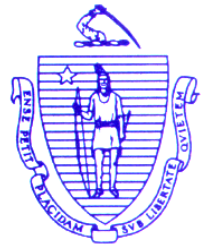
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Marine Fisheries Advisory

Vendor Workshops for Phase 1 Disaster Aid

The Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF) will be holding two workshops to assist eligible limited access permit holders complete vendor forms for the Phase 1 Federal Groundfish Disaster Aid. National Marine Fisheries Service has preliminarily determined that 201 entities homeported in Massachusetts could be eligible for assistance. DMF has mailed vendor forms to these eligible entities. Eligibility was determined by vessels that landed at least 5,000 lbs. of the regulated northeast multispecies, allocated to sector and common pool vessels, during any one of the 2010-2013 fishing seasons. Species included are cod, haddock, yellowtail flounder, American plaice, witch flounder, winter flounder, redfish, white hake and Pollock.

Division staff will be available to answer questions and assist in completing vendor forms at both our Gloucester and New Bedford Field Stations on Friday, August 22nd. The workshop schedule is as follows:

Friday, August 22nd, 11AM – 2PM

Annisquam River Marine Fisheries Station
30 Emerson Ave.
Gloucester, MA 01930

South Coast Marine Fisheries Station
Quest Center, 1213 Purchase Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

If you have any questions or need additional assistance, please contact:

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