



**MARINE FISHERIES ADVISORY COMMISSION
BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA
August 11, 2016, 10:30 AM
DFW Field Headquarters
1 Rabbit Hill Road
Westborough, MA**

1. Introductions and Announcements
2. Review and Approval of August 11, 2016 Agenda
3. Review and Approval of June 28, 2016 Draft Minutes
4. Comments
 - a. Chairman
 - b. Commissioner
 - c. Director
 - d. Law Enforcement
5. Action Items
 - a. Aquaculture Raised Shellfish Minimum Size Exemptions
 - b. Aquaculture Raised Finfish Minimum Size Exemptions
 - c. Mobile Gear Vessel Replacement Restrictions
 - d. Maximum Surf Clam Dredge Width
 - e. Surf Clam Minimum Size Exemptions for Dealers
 - f. Whelk Gauging and Sub-Legal Discards
 - g. Recreational and Commercial Hand Harvest Mixed Whelk Limits
 - h. Conch Pot Gear Loss and Trap Tag Allocations
 - i. Liberalizing Fall Commercial Scup Limits
 - j. American Eel Management to Comply with Interstate Plan
 - k. Sink Gillnet Marking to Complement ALWTRP
 - l. Reorganization of 322 CMR
6. Lunch
7. Presentation: Marine Recreational Fisheries Development Fund
8. Proposals for Future Public Hearing
 - a. Commercial Striped Bass Petition to Adjust Shore Side Limits
 - b. Wintertime Commercial Fluke and Summertime Commercial Scup Limits
9. Discussion Items
 - a. Whelk Conservation and Management
 - b. 2016 Recreational Black Sea Bass and Commercial Bluefish Management Update
 - c. ASMFC and MAFMC August Meetings Update
 - d. BOEM Offshore Wind Projects
 - e. Sea Herring Quota Management in Management Area 1A
 - f. Request to Reopen Nemasket River Herring Run
10. Other Business and Commissioners' Comments

Future Meeting Dates

September 15, 2016	October 6, 2016	November 10, 2016	December 8, 2016
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