

## MARINE FISHERIES ADVISORY COMMISSION BUSINESS MEETING AGENDA

May 9, 2019; 9:00 AM DFW Field Headquarters 1 Rabbit Hill Road Westborough, MA

- 1. Introductions and Announcements (9:00-9:10)
  - a. Review and Approval of the May 9, 2019 Business Meeting Agenda
  - b. Review and Approval of the March 14, 2019 Draft Business Meeting Minutes
- 2. Comments (9:10-9:45)
  - a. Chairman
  - b. Commissioner
  - c. Director
  - d. Law Enforcement
    - i. Personnel Report
- 3. Action on Sea Herring Effort Controls for Management Area 1A (9:45 10:00)
- 4. Review of Recent NEFMC and ASMFC Meetings (10:00-10:45)
- 5. Review of DMF's Black Sea Bass and Scup Head Boat Meeting (10:45 11:00)
- 6. Wind Energy Update (11:00-11:30)
- 7. Shellfish Management Updates (11:30-12:00)
  - a. Recent Shellfish Advisory Panel Meeting
  - b. Massachusetts Shellfish Initiative
- 8. Lunch (12:00-12:30)
- 9. Presentation on Recreational Cod Avoidance (12:00-12:30)
- 10. Future Rule Making Items (12:30-12:45)
  - a. Petition to Reduce the Ocean Quahog Trip Limit
  - b. Petition to Address Owner-Operator Rule in Coastal Lobster Fishery
  - c. Clarify Menhaden Permitting
- 11. Response to Commission Member Questions on Bycatch (12:45-1:15)
- 12. Comments (1:15-1:30)
  - a. Public Comment
  - b. Commission Member Comments
- 13. Adjourn (1:30)
- \* All times provided are approximate and the meeting agenda is subject to change. The MFAC may vote to amend the agenda at the start of the business meeting.

## **Future Meeting Dates**

9AM June 13, 2019 DFW Field HQ 1 Rabbit Hill Road Westborough, MA

## **Directions:**

Take Rt. 495 to Exit 23B. Follow Rt. 9 West for about 8 miles. Take Right onto Rt. 135 and continue onto Milk Street. Make 3<sup>rd</sup> right onto North Drive. Continue to your left onto Lyman School Road. Make right onto Rabbit Hill Road.