



# Rhode Island Marine Fisheries Council

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## RIMFC MEETING

**August 17, 2011 – 6:00 PM**

**URI Narragansett Bay Campus, Corless Auditorium  
South Ferry Road, Narragansett, RI**

**Please Note: There will be a Council Orientation session for new Council members from 4:30 to 5:30 PM, just prior to the Council meeting.**

### FINAL AGENDA

Date Posted 8/1/2011

Agenda item	Agenda item detail	Suggested action
<b>1. Approval of Agenda</b>	8-17-2011 RIMFC Agenda	Approval of 8-17-2011 agenda
<b>2. Approval of Minutes</b>	RIMFC 5-2-2011 meeting minutes	Approval of 5-2-2011 meeting minutes
<b>3. Public Comments</b>	Comments from the public	No action, may take under consideration
<b>4. Advisory Panel Reports</b>	a. Enforcement (6/7/2011) – B. Ballou	Review minutes, and recommendations regarding a fillet law for cod
	b. IAC (8/9/2011) - B. Ballou	Review minutes, and recommendations regarding 2012 commercial licensing
	c. Shellfish (6/22/11) and (7/27/11) - B. Ballou	Review minutes and recommendations pertaining to winter shellfish mgt. areas, etc.
	d. Lobster (7/26/11) - B. Ballou	Review minutes, and recommendations regarding definition of a lobster trap & mobile gear types
<b>5. New Business</b>	a. Introduction of new RIMF Council members – B. Ballou	No action required - review of Council duties and responsibilities
	b. Appointment of new Vice Chair to the Council – B. Ballou	Discussion/recommendations/appointment
	c. Appointment of new Advisory Panel Chairs – B. Ballou	Discussion/recommendations/appointments to Scup/Black Sea Bass AP, Groundfish AP, Lobster AP, Shellfish AP, Enforcement AP, Menhaden AP, Blue/Weakfish AP, Winter Flounder AP, and Floating Fish Trap AP
	d. Approval of Scup/Black Sea Bass AP agenda – B. Ballou	Approval of agenda pertaining to discussions on commercial management plans for 2012
	e. Approval of Summer Flounder AP agenda – B. Ballou	Approval of agenda pertaining to discussions on commercial management plans for 2012
	f. Recreational Saltwater Fishing License - Accountability and Oversight Report – B. Ballou	Discussion and recommendations to the Director
<b>6. Old Business</b>	a. Continued discussion about future review procedures and appropriate advisory panel for aquaculture lease applications – B. Ballou/ M. Gibson	Continued discussion and consideration of staff recommendations to establish an aquaculture lease review advisory panel and who should be on it.
	b. Continued discussion and action on vessel-based regulations for vessels fishing in more than one mode from April public hearing - B. Ballou	Council recommendations to the Director on proposed sub-section 6.13-5 (vessels fishing in more than one mode).
	c. Marine Fisheries Regulatory Rewrite Initiative – B. Ballou	Provide update on progress

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<b>7. ASMFC - NEFMC Updates</b>	<b>a. ASMFC and NEFMC meeting summaries – M. Gibson</b>	<b>FYI - no action needed</b>
<b>8. Adjourn</b>		