



Rhode Island Marine Fisheries Council

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RIMFC MEETING

September 12, 2011 – 6:00 PM

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

FINAL AGENDA

Date Posted 9/2/2011

Robert Ballou
 Chairman
 423-1926

Richard Hittinger
 Vice Chair
 739-1875

Dr. Christopher Anderson
 874-4587

Richard Bellavance
 741-5648

Kenneth Booth
 793-0454

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 480-3444

William Mackintosh, III
 477-0603

J. Christopher Powell
 524-1714

Jeff Grant
 243-5123

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Agenda item	Agenda item detail	Suggested action
1. Approval of Agenda	9-12-2011 RIMFC Agenda	Approval of 9-12-2011 agenda
2. Approval of Minutes	RIMFC 8-15-2011 meeting minutes	Approval of 8-15-2011 meeting minutes
3. Public Comments	Comments from the public	No action, may take under consideration
4. Advisory Panel Reports	a. Shellfish (9/7/2011) – J. Grant	Review minutes and recommendations
5. New Business	a. Discuss 2011-2012 Shellfish Winter Management Area Openings – B. Ballou	Review and discuss the opening schedule, reconfiguration, and make recommendations to the Director (review SAP minutes from 6/22 & 7/27)
	b. Discuss regulations for restrictions on detrimental shellfish harvest methods –B. Ballou	Review and discuss recommended regulations proposed by Division and make recommendations to the Director
	c. Discussion on RI skate fishery –M. Gibson	Discussion and whether to task to an Advisory Panel
	d. Review of AP memberships – B. Ballou	Discussion and recommendations
	e. Approval of Lobster AP agenda – J. Grant	Approval of agenda regarding definition of a lobster trap & mobile gear types
6. Old Business	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	Continued discussion and recommendations to the Director on proposed sub-section 6.13-5 (vessels fishing in more than one mode).
	c. Recreational Saltwater Fishing License - Accountability and Oversight – B. Ballou	Discussion and recommendations to the Director
	d. Discussion about implementing a fillet law in RI – B. Ballou	Discussion, review of Division proposals, and recommendations to the Director
7. ASMFC - NEFMC Updates	a. ASMFC and NEFMC meeting summaries – M. Gibson	FYI - no action needed
8. FYI	a. October 17, 2011 Proposed Public Hearing items/timeline – B. Ballou	No action needed
9. Adjourn		