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Date Posted
04/25/2012

RIMFC MEETING

May 7, 2012 – 6:00 PM

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

FINAL AGENDA

Agenda item	Agenda item detail	Suggested action
1. Approval of Agenda	5-7-2012 RIMFC Agenda	Approval of 5-7-2012 agenda
2. Approval of Minutes	RIMFC 3-6-2012 meeting minutes	Approval of 3-6-2012 meeting minutes
3. Public Comments	Comments from the public	No action, may take under consideration
4. Advisory Panel Reports	a. Shellfish (3/7/12) – J. Grant	Review minutes, and recommendations
	b. Groundfish (3/20/12) – K. Booth	Review minutes, and recommendations
5. New Business	a. Council recommendations on April 3, 2012 public hearing items – B. Ballou	Council recommendations to the Director on harvest methods & habitat impact items, lobster, menhaden, and spiny dogfish management plans, etc.
	b. IAC meetings (5/15/12), (7/10/12) and (8/7/12) – R. Bellavance	Approval of potentially three IAC meeting agendas
	c. Groundfish AP meeting agenda (Date TBD) – K. Booth	Approval of meeting agenda for discussion on spiny dogfish fishery
	d. Discuss new Menhaden/Herring AP membership and approve meeting agenda to discuss herring issue.	Approval of new membership slots and meeting agenda to discuss herring fishery.
	e. Appointment of new members to Advisory Panels – N. Scarduzio	Review applications and approval of appointments
6. Old Business	a. Continued discussion on consolidating Advisory Panels and a series of back-to-back AP meetings early this fall – B. Ballou:	Council to consider consolidation of AP's and an all day series of back-to-back AP meetings to address the 2013 fishing season.
7. FYI	a. Letters of no objection for aquaculture lease applications	FYI only - No action needed
8. Adjourn		