



# Rhode Island Marine Fisheries Council

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## MEETING NOTICE

**September 3, 2014 – 6:00 PM**

**URI Narragansett Bay Campus**

**Corless Auditorium**

**South Ferry Road, Narragansett, RI**

**Robert Ballou**  
*Chairman*

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**Jeff Grant**

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Agenda item	Agenda item detail	Recommended action(s)
1. Approval of Agenda	9-3-2014 RIMFC Agenda	Approval of agenda.
2. Approval of Minutes	RIMFC 7-24-2014 meeting minutes	Approval of minutes.
3. Public Comments	Comments from the public on any items not on agenda	Take under consideration for possible discussion and/or future action.
4. New business	a. <b><u>Proposed closure of areas in Ninigret Pond Shellfish Management Area (Foster Cove), Charlestown, for Oyster Restoration activities:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Staff presentation:</u> <i>J. Mercer</i></li> <li>• <u>SAP meeting (8/27) verbal report:</u> <i>J. Grant</i></li> </ul>	Advice to Director re: enactment of closed areas.
	b. <b><u>Spiny Dogfish C/E Proposal</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Staff presentation:</u> <i>E. Schneider</i></li> <li>• <u>Groundfish AP meeting (9/2) verbal report:</u> <i>K. Booth</i></li> </ul>	Advice to Director on pursuing a spiny dogfish conservation equivalency proposal in State waters.
	c. <b><u>Director's LEAN initiative:</u></b> Continued discussion from last meeting: <i>B. Ballou, M. Gibson, J. McNamee, A. Manca</i>	Approval to test new structure for the review and consideration of management and regulatory issues in November.
5. FYI	a. <b><u>Meeting/Report Summaries:</u></b> – <i>M. Gibson, B. Ballou</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ASMFC Summer 2014</li> </ul> b. <b><u>Council letter to CRMC</u></b> re: Bazarnick aquaculture lease application	FYI and discussion.
6. Other business	Any other matters that Council members would like to discuss.	FYI, discussion, and/or consideration for future action.
7. Adjourn		

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