



Rhode Island Marine Fisheries Council

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MEETING NOTICE RI MARINE FISHERIES COUNCIL

Monday, December 4, 2023 – 6:00 PM

In person:

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

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AGENDA

Agenda item with links/attachments (<i>items italicized are linked directly to the meeting material</i>)	Recommended action(s)
1. Tonight’s agenda	Approval of agenda
2. <i>Meeting minutes – October 2, 2023</i>	Approval of meeting minutes
3. Public comment on any matters not on the agenda	FYI or recommendation for future action
4. Jan.-April 2024 shellfish harvest schedule for Providence River Shellfish Management Area/Conditional area “E”	Provide recommendations to the Director as needed for regulatory changes (<i>opportunity for public comment will be provided</i>)
5. <u>Proposed regulations publicly noticed:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Part 1 – Definitions and General Provisions:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Proposed rule - section 1.8 “Possession Limit and Vessel Operating Compliance”</i> ○ <i>Proposed rule - section 1.9 “Transiting”</i> ○ <i>Shellfish/Marine Life Management Area Descriptions</i> • <u>2024 Commercial Scup management:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Supplemental document - noticed and alternate proposals</i> • <u>2024 Commercial Black Sea Bass management:</u> 	Provide recommendations to the Director regarding proposed regulations

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Part 3 – Finfish - supplemental document - noticed and alternate proposals</i> ○ <i>Part 23 – Aggregate Program – supplemental document - noticed and alternate proposals</i> ● <u>2024 Commercial Summer Flounder management:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Part 3 – Finfish - supplemental document - noticed and alternate proposals</i> ○ <i>Part 14-Summer Flounder Exemption Certificate Program – proposed rule</i> ○ <i>Part 23 – Aggregate Program – supplemental document - noticed and alternate proposals</i> ● <i>Summary of comments document</i> ● <i>Written comments received</i> ● Noticed rules (links to Sec. of State): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Part 1- Definitions and General Provisions ○ Part 3 – Finfish ○ Part 14 – Summer Flounder Exemption Certificate Program ○ Part 23 – Aggregate Program for Summer Flounder and Black Sea Bass 	
<p>6. RIMFC membership</p>	<p>FYI</p>
<p>7. FYI/Other matters</p>	<p>FYI</p>

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