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MEETING NOTICE
Regulatory Workshop

Monday, February 5, 2024, 4:30PM

In person:

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

Zoom webinar:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86560685183?pwd=Z2w1anFZM3pTNDBlOXVpdVpNaDBwdz09>

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The purpose of this workshop is to provide the public with regulatory proposals currently under consideration and/or up for annual review by the Division, and to afford opportunity for feedback and/or additional proposals.

AGENDA

1. Part 3 – Finfish: For each species, staff will provide a summary of stock status, 2023 fishery performance, and Industry/Division proposals for 2024 management.
 - Recreational Striped Bass management
 - 2024 recreational management
 - Recreational filleting requirements
 - 2024 Commercial Striped Bass General Category management
 - 2024 Commercial Striped Bass Floating Fish Trap management
 - Striped bass tagging
 - State waters gill net observer program – informational only
 - 2024 Recreational Tautog management
 - 2024 Commercial Tautog management
 - Commercial Menhaden management
 - 2024 Commercial Bluefish management
 - 2024 Recreational Scup management

- 2024 Recreational Summer Flounder management
 - 2024 Recreational Black Sea Bass management
 - Clarification on possession limit language
2. Part 5 – Lobsters, Crabs, and Other Crustaceans:
- Electronic monitoring requirements for federal Lobster Permit Holders
3. Part 7 – Dealer:
- Jonah crab - whole crab requirements (consistency with harvester requirements)
 - Striped bass tagging clarification

Note: The public hearing for these matters is scheduled for 6:00pm on February 28th, followed by a RI Marine Fisheries Council meeting on April 1st. Please stay tuned for future meeting announcements on the Division's listserv. To subscribe to the Division's listserv, send email to rmarinefisheries-subscribe@listserve.ri.gov.