



# Rhode Island Marine Fisheries Council

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## MEETING NOTICE RI MARINE FISHERIES COUNCIL

**December 2, 2024 – 6:00 PM**

In person:

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

Zoom webinar:

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### AGENDA

<b>Agenda item (<i>items italicized include links to the meeting material</i>)</b>	<b>Recommended action(s)</b>
1. <b><i>Tonight’s agenda</i></b>	Approval of agenda
2. <b><i>Meeting minutes – October 7, 2024</i></b>	Approval of meeting minutes
3. <b>Public comment on any matters not on the agenda</b>	Discussion and/or recommendations for future action.
4. <b><u>Shellfish Advisory Panel (SAP) meeting minutes (11/13/2024):</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Draft meeting minutes</i></li> <li><i>SAP Presentation</i></li> </ul>	Approval of minutes
5. <b><u>SAP membership:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>Application from Curtis Cokely as an alternate for Gerry Schey</i></li> </ul>	Appointment or discussion of application
6. <b><u>Areas closed to harvest in Foster Cove (Ninigret Pond) closed areas (Division proposal to amend areas and extend closure):</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>SAP presentation</i></li> <li><i>SAP recommendation (draft meeting minutes)</i></li> </ul>	Provide recommendations to the Director as needed for regulatory changes ( <b><i>opportunity for public comment will be provided</i></b> )
7. <b><u>Providence River/Area “E” harvest schedule Jan.-April 2025:</u></b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><i>SAP presentation</i></li> <li><i>SAP recommendation (draft meeting minutes)</i></li> </ul>	Provide recommendations to the Director as needed for regulatory changes ( <b><i>opportunity for public comment will be provided</i></b> )

<p><b>8. <u>Proposed regulations publicly noticed:</u></b></p> <p><i>a. Commercial tautog management (proposed rule)</i>  <i>b. Summer/Fall Aggregate Program (proposed rule)</i>  <i>c. Blue crab management (proposed rule)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Additional materials:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>Hearing notice/rule summary</i></li> <li>○ <i>Summary of comments received</i></li> <li>○ <i>Written comments received</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Tautog management</i></li> <li>• <i>Blue crab harvest</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Provide recommendations to the Director regarding proposed regulations</p>
<p><b>9. <u>Administrative Policies and Procedures of the RIMFC – update/revisions to policy:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Administrative Policies and Procedures of the RIMFC (adopted September 13, 2016)</i></li> <li>• <i>Summary of proposed changes</i></li> </ul>	<p>Continued discussion</p>
<p><b>10. Any other matters?</b></p>	<p>FYI or recommendations for future action.</p>
<p><b>11. Adjourn</b></p>	

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