RIMFC Lobster Advisory Panel Meeting
February 15, 2011 – 6:30 PM
URI/GSO Coastal Institute Building (Hazard Room A),
South Ferry Road, Narragansett, RI.

A meeting of the RIMFC Lobster Advisory Panel has been scheduled for
Tuesday, February 15, 2011 at 6:30 pm in Hazard Room A at the Coastal
Institute Building, South Ferry Road, Narragansett, RI (across the road from
Corless Auditorium).

MEETING AGENDA

1. Update on whale regulations and issues (Olszewski / Brodeur)
2. Update of ASMFC Lobster Management Board and Plan Development Team
   activities (Gibson / McElroy).
   - Pending management actions for Southern New England lobster stock unit.
3. Definition of a lobster trap and mobile (non lobster trap) gear types (Hall / Ethier /
   Angell).
   - Considerations for defining a lobster trap and re-defining Non-Trap (Non
     Lobster Trap/Mobile Gear) gear types; Enforcement and RIDFW position.
   - Review regulations from MA, CT, NY, NMFS.
   - RIDFW and Enforcement concerns; use of multiple gear types (lobster traps
     and non-trap gear types) during a fishing trip; ability to circumvent the lobster
     trap allocation program and intent of Non-Trap/Mobile gear limits on lobster
     landings.
   - Consideration of a “Miscellaneous Trap/Pot” license endorsement; how many
     and what kind of traps/pots?

ALL RIMFC Species Advisory Panel meetings are open to the public.
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