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RI State Waters Atlantic Herring Permit Captains Meeting

RI Division of Fish & Wildlife (RIDFW), Marine Fisheries section will be holding a meeting to issue permits to vessels intending to participate in the 2013 RI state waters Atlantic herring fishery. **This permit is required to fish for herring in state waters and possess in excess of 2,000 lbs per vessel/day.** In order to obtain a permit vessel captains are required to provide their fishing credentials for fishing in Rhode Island state waters. These credentials include valid 2013 fishing licenses, fishing endorsements, and vessel declarations. Captains will review RIDFW herring regulations, document that they possess an electronic device capable of receiving email while fishing, receive a chart displaying potential fixed gear clusters in and around state waters, and review the RIDFW river herring avoidance strategy.

The meeting will take place **Wednesday, December 19th, 2012 at 6 p.m. at the URI Narragansett Bay Campus Corless Auditorium.** For any other questions please contact John Lake, john.lake@dem.ri.gov , or (401) 423-1942.