case briefs.[10] Parties who submit case or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding are encouraged to submit with each argument: (1) a statement of the issue; (2) a brief summary of the argument; and (3) a table of authorities.[11]

As provided under 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2), we request that interested parties provide at the beginning of their briefs a public, executive summary for each issue raised in their briefs.[12] Further, we request that interested parties limit their executive summary of each issue to no more than 450 words, not including citations. We intend to use the executive summaries as the basis of the comment summaries included in the issues and decision memorandum that will accompany the final determination in this proceeding. We request that interested parties include footnotes for relevant citations in the executive summary of each issue. Note that Commerce has amended certain of its requirements pertaining to the service of documents in 19 CFR 351.303(f).[13]

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, U.S. Department of Commerce, within 30 days after the date of publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, filed electronically via ACCESS. Hearing requests should contain: (1) the party's name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants and whether any participant is a foreign national; and (3) a list of the issues to be discussed. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to issues raised in the respective comments.[14] If a request for a hearing is made, Commerce intends to hold the hearing at a date and time to be determined and will notify the parties through ACCESS.[15] Parties should confirm the date, time, and location of the hearing two days before the scheduled date.

All submissions, including affirmative and rebuttal comments, as well as hearing requests, should be filed using ACCESS. An electronically-filed document must be received successfully in its entirety by ACCESS by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on the established deadline.

Notification to Interested Parties

This determination is issued and published in accordance with section 781(b) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.226(g)(1).

Dated: November 19, 2026.

Kasey O'Connor,

Deputy General Counsel, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

Appendix

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648–XG158]

New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce Department.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a 3-day meeting with online webinar participation options to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).

DATES: The meeting will be held Tuesday, December 8, 2026, through Thursday, December 10, 2026, beginning at 10:30 a.m. EST on the first day and 9 a.m. EST on the last 2 days.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at Hotel Viking, One Bellevue Avenue, Newport, RI 02848; telephone (844) 806–4895. Webinar registration: Information on how to register and provide public comment via webinar will be posted on the Council's December 2026 meeting web page at: *https://www.nefmc.org/calendar/december-2026-council-meeting.*

Register for the webinar at *https://nefmc-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_qKedpYXjRqutjNtJdQnoAQ#/registration.*

Address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950; telephone (978) 465–0492; *www.nefmc.org.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cate O'Keefe, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465–0492, ext. 113.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Agenda

Tuesday, December 8, 2026

The Council will begin the December meeting with a closed session of the Executive Committee at 9 a.m. pursuant to the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to discuss information about Council resources. Following the closed session, the meeting will open with introductions and announcements by Council Chair Daniel Salerno. The Council will then receive reports on recent activities from the Council Chair and Executive Director; the Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office (GARFO) Regional Administrator; the NOAA Office of the General Counsel; the Northeast Fisheries Science Center (NEFSC); the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC); the U.S. Coast Guard; NOAA Office of Law Enforcement; and the Highly Migratory Species (HMS) program and International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT). Following a lunch break, NOAA General Counsel will provide a briefing on financial disclosure requirements and voting recusal regulations for regional fishery management council members. The Council will then receive a report from Council staff on the October 2026 Council Coordination Committee (CCC) meeting, followed by a report on the November 2026 Northeast Region Coordinating Council (NRCC) meeting.

The Council will then hold an open period for public comment on issues that are not listed on the agenda. Following public comment, the Council will adjourn to a closed session to discuss appointments to the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC), coordinated by Council Chair Daniel Salerno. At 6 p.m., the Council will host a public outreach event at the Hotel Viking to provide an opportunity for informational exchange and foster open

[10] *See* 19 CFR 351.309(d); *see also Administrative Protective Order, Service, and Other Procedures in Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings,* 88 FR 67069, 67077 (September 29, 2023) (*APO and Service Final Rule*).

[11] *See* 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2)(d)(2).

[12] We use the term ''issue'' here to describe an argument that Commerce would normally address in a comment of the Issues and Decision Memorandum.

[13] *See APO and Service Final Rule.*

[14] *See* 19 CFR 351.310.

[15] *See* 19 CFR 351.310(d).

lines of communication among meeting attendees.

Wednesday, December 9, 2026

The second day of the meeting will begin with Executive Director Cate O'Keefe presenting the Council's 2027 priorities. The Council will take final action on priorities for all fishery management plans and other Council responsibilities. After a lunch break, the Council will receive a report from the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC), chaired by Dr. Conor McManus. The report will include the SSC's overfishing limit (OFL) and acceptable biological catch (ABC) recommendations for Atlantic sea scallops, small-mesh multispecies, and several groundfish stocks. Next, the Council will receive a report from the Scallop Committee, chaired by Melanie Griffin, and take final action to set specifications for Atlantic sea scallops for Fishing Years 2027 and 2028, or default specifications if necessary.

Thursday, December 10, 2026

The third day of the meeting will begin with a report from the Small-Mesh Multispecies (Whiting) Committee after which the Council will take final action to set specifications for small-mesh multispecies stocks for Fishing Years 2027–2031 and consider other management measures. The Council will then receive a report from Council staff on the Transboundary Management Guidance Committee (TMGC) and consider approval of recommendations for 2027 total allowable catches (TACs) for shared U.S./Canada groundfish resources on Georges Bank, including Eastern Georges Bank cod and haddock and Georges Bank yellowtail flounder. Next, the Council will receive a report from the Groundfish Committee and take final action on Framework Adjustment 74. The action will establish specifications for several groundfish stocks for Fishing Years 2027–2031, U.S./Canada TACs for 2027, and other management measures. Executive Director Cate O'Keefe will provide updates on Council planning and activities, including fishery management plans, Council priorities, IRA initiatives, and other ongoing efforts. The meeting will conclude with other business and adjourn at approximately 1 p.m.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Executive Director Cate O'Keefe (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

(Authority 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*)

Dated: November 20, 2026.

Rey Israel Marquez,

Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Gear-Marking Requirement for Atlantic Large Whale Take Reduction Plan

The Department of Commerce will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. We invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on June 24, 2026, during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

Title: Gear-Marking Requirement for Atlantic Large Whale Take Reduction Plan.

OMB Control Number: 0648–0364.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular submission [extension of a current information collection].

Number of Respondents: 3,970 Vessels.

Average Hours per Response: Each mark requires approximately 6.6–8.6 minutes of time, and each respondent has an average of 392 marks per vessel.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 222,803 burden hours per year.

Needs and Uses: This is a request for an extension of a currently approved information collection. Pursuant to section 118 of the MMPA, the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) established and convened an Atlantic Large Whale Take Reduction Team (Team) to assist in the development of the Atlantic Large Whale Take Reduction Plan (Plan). Throughout this process, the Team has provided NMFS with recommended measures designed to reduce serious injury and mortality to North Atlantic right (*Eubalaena glacialis*), humpback *(Megaptera novaeangliae*), minke (*Balaenoptera acutorostrata*), and fin (*Balaenoptera physalus*) whales from incidental interactions with commercial fishing gear. To gather information on entanglements, the Team developed gear marking requirements. As a result, any person setting trap/pot or gillnet gear to fish commercially in some areas of the Atlantic Ocean are required to paint or otherwise mark their gear with specific color codes, designating the type of gear and area where it is set, as well as buoy marking requirements.

NMFS is continuing the existing gear marking regulations in Northeast Region Trap/Pot Management Area (northeast region) commercial trap/pot fisheries because gear marking is necessary to improve our understanding of where entanglement incidents occur. The goal is to continue to gather information on entanglement origins that will further enable NMFS to reduce injuries and deaths of large whales, especially North Atlantic right whales, due to incidental entanglement in United States commercial fishing gear. In order to develop fair and effective management measures, the team requires comprehensive data on when, where, and how fixed gear vessels fish, and where whales become entangled in fishing gear. The only changes to this collection since the 2023 submission were to update material and labor costs based on 2025 economic data.

Affected Public: Primary respondents are business or other for-profit organizations (fishermen), and individuals or households.

Frequency: All gear must be marked and maintained so marks are visible. On average, gear is replaced every 5–6 years, at which time the new gear must be marked.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Marine Mammal Protection Act, Endangered Species Act.

This information collection request may be viewed at *www.reginfo.gov.* Follow the instructions to view the Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB. Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website *www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain.* Find this