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## LOBSTER INDUSTRY INNOVATOR PASSES AWAY

Founder of Riverdale Mills achieved long-lasting global legacy in wire mesh manufacturing and aquaculture industries

Northbridge, Mass. – August 18, 2018 – Riverdale Mills Corporation announces with great sadness the passing of company founder, owner, and retired CEO James Knott, Sr. Mr. Knott was 88. An inventor, entrepreneur, industrialist and philanthropist, Knott established

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Knott was awarded an honorary Doctor of Science by the University of Maine for his commitment to the future of the lobster industry, innovative spirit, perseverance and positive leadership, willingness to share his knowledge and ideas, and his outstanding support of the university's Lobster Institute.

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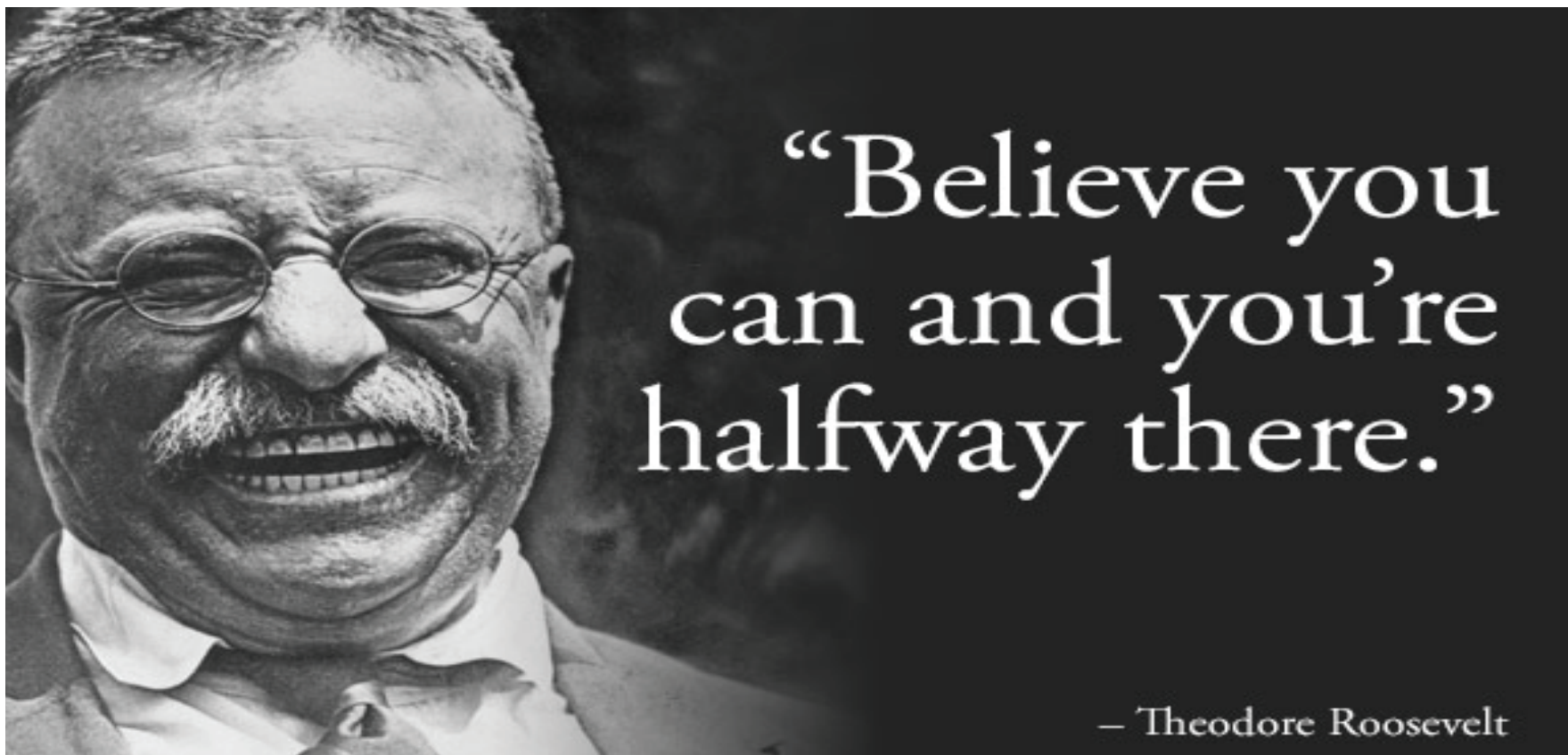
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– Theodore Roosevelt



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9/19	MLA Delegates meeting	Sons of Italy Hall Quincy, MA	7:00pm

# October 2018

10/2	MA Seafood DAY at the State House	Grand Staircase	11:00-1:00pm
10/9-12	ALWTRT Meeting	Omni Providence Hotel	
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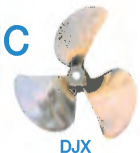
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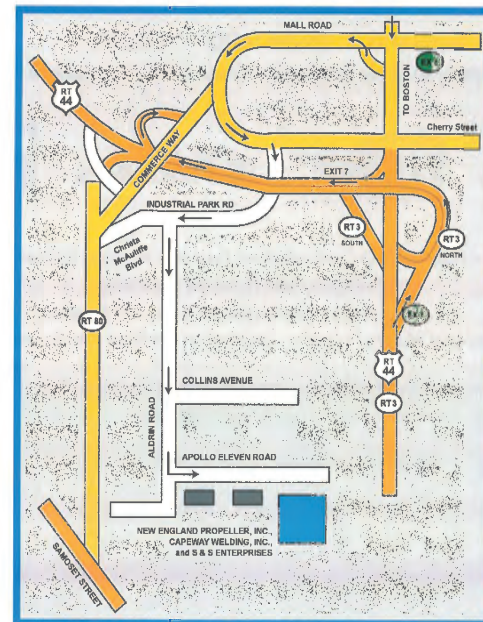
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# As the Hauler Turns

For generations, Massachusetts lobstermen have been part of a revered tradition of marine coexistence that has sustained a proud New England fishing industry and protected an ecosystem for marine mammals. Now, that coexistence is threatened and international action is needed.

The North Atlantic right whale is critically endangered and for centuries, these enormous and majestic animals have migrated through New England waters, but largely due to unintentional human harm from ship strikes and entanglement in fishing gear; today the right whale population is estimated to be down to as few as 435. And the last year has been especially disastrous, with 17 confirmed right whale mortalities and no new calves sighted in the most recent calving season.

Now is the time for cooperative international intervention to turn this situation around and head off the preventable tragedy of extinction of this species.

For decades, the Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association has worked in concert with conservation organizations like the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution and the International Fund for Animal Welfare to be good stewards of the ocean and marine mammals. Facing serious concerns about how to make a living and keep businesses going, we work to find middle ground between our industry and the efforts of conservationists to advance the shared aims of all.

Over the years, regulators have imposed restrictions on U.S. Atlantic Coast fisheries in an effort to reduce harm to endangered species including the right whale. The MLA is proud of our history of adopting and complying with these requirements. To name a few: Vessels, aircraft or other approaches must be restricted within 500 yards of a right whale; and, all vessels 65 feet or longer must travel at 10 knots or less in certain locations along the East Coast of the United States at certain times of year to avoid collision with right whales.

Massachusetts lobstermen are doing more than anyone in the world to help the right whales, and

are especially affected by these regulations. Every year, we observe a three-month closure of Cape Cod Bay and the outer Cape from Feb. 1 to April 30 to reduce the risk of right whale entanglement in our fishing gear. This year, our season was delayed by an additional two weeks. We have increased the size and complexity of gear marking, as well as the use of sinking ground line and weak links. Some lobstermen have increased the number of traps per trawl, which can reduce the risk of entanglement. And just last month, we worked with IFAW and the State Division of Marine Fisheries to conduct initial testing of buoy-less fishing gear.

While the U.S. fishing and shipping industries have complied with increasingly stringent regulations of fishing grounds, fishing gear and shipping activity, Canada has operated under significantly less regulation.

Although Canada recently adjusted some ship speeds and fishing gear locations to minimize entanglements, those measures are temporary and will not be enough to protect the right whale.

We are grateful to our congressional delegation for its leadership on this issue. In April, Massachusetts Sen. Edward Markey and Rep. Seth Moulton, along with 17 of their colleagues, urgently asked NOAA and the U.S. Departments of Commerce and Treasury to determine whether Canada's Atlantic fisheries have the same marine mammal conservation standards as U.S. fisheries for reducing impact to endangered right whales. Under a provision of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, if Canada cannot secure a favorable determination, the U.S. can subsequently ban the importation of fish and fish products that have been harvested while harming right whales.

Additionally, we recently joined a multitude of other groups in announcing our support of the SAVE Right Whales Act of 2018, which was introduced on World Oceans Day by a group of East Coast senators with a companion measure in the House. We proudly support this legislation, which would allocate \$5 million annually in grants through 2028 for conservation programs, support the development of new technology or other methods to protect right whales from human

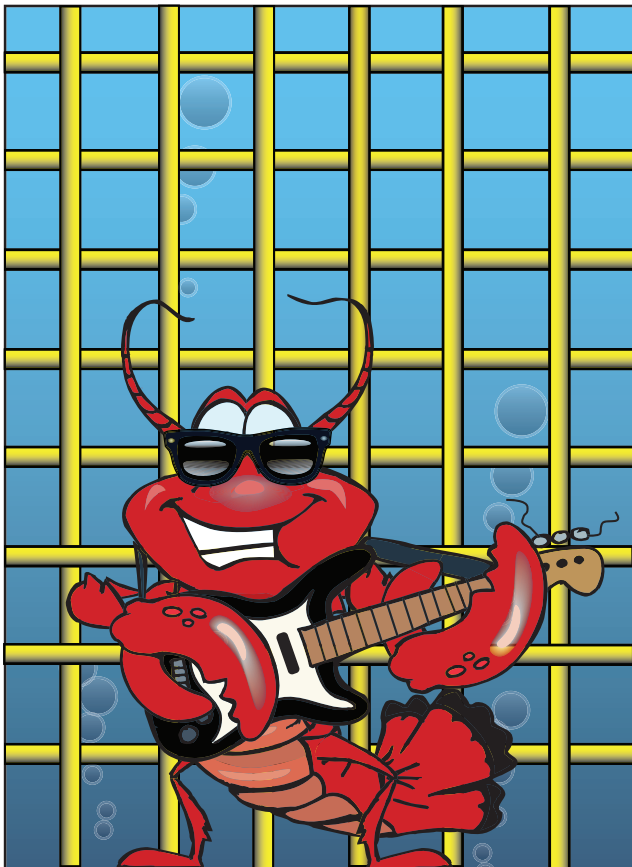


interference, and encourage industry cooperation.

Why are these actions important? Because time is of the essence. With the right whale population not recovering at the pace they should be, it is time for Canada and Canadian fishermen to take more permanent action sooner than later. I have spoken with Geoff Irvine, Executive Director of The Lobster Council of Canada about this and he and his group are working on more permanent measure to be implemented in 2019. Please see the article on pg 33 for more on what Canada is doing towards the conservation of right whales to date..

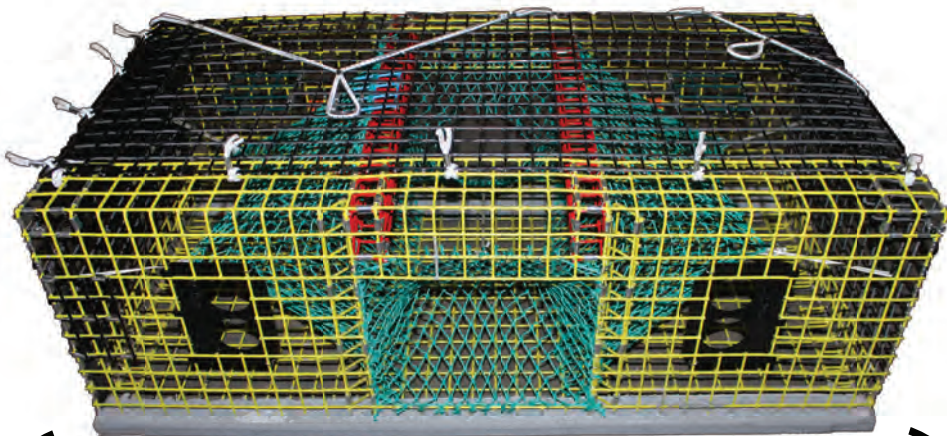
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### MEMORANDUM

August 8, 2018

**To:** Atlantic Herring Section, Technical Committee, Advisory Panel, Interested Parties

**From:** Toni Kerns, ISFMP Director *TMK*

**RE:** Area 1A Trimester 2 Effort Controls Measures Maintained

The Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's (Commission) Atlantic Herring Section members from Maine, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts reviewed the effort control measures for the 2018 Area 1A Trimester 2 (June 1 - September 30) fishery. The states agreed to maintain the existing Area 1A Trimester 2 Days Out Measures, which are outlined below.

#### Days Out of the Fishery

- Vessels with a *herring Category A permit* that have declared into the Trimester 2 Area 1A fishery may land herring five (5) consecutive days a week. One landing per 24 hour period. Vessels are prohibited from landing or possessing herring caught from Area 1A during a day out of the fishery.
  - Landing days in New Hampshire and Massachusetts begin on Monday of each week at 12:01 a.m.
  - Landings days in Maine begin on Sunday of each week at 6:00 p.m.
- *Small mesh bottom trawl vessels with a herring Category C or D permit* that have declared into the Trimester 2 fishery may land herring seven (7) consecutive days a week.

#### Weekly Landing Limit

- Vessels with a herring Category A permit may harvest up to 640,000 lbs (16 trucks) per harvester vessel, per week.
- 160,000 lbs (4 trucks) out of the 640,000 lbs weekly limit can be transferred to a carrier vessel (see below).

#### At-Sea Transfer and Carrier Restrictions

*The following applies to harvester vessels with a herring Category A permit and carrier vessels landing herring caught in Area 1A to a Maine, New Hampshire, or Massachusetts port.*

- A harvester vessel can transfer herring at-sea to another catcher vessel.
- A harvester vessel is limited to making at-sea transfers to only one carrier vessel per week.
- Carrier vessels are limited to receiving at-sea transfers from one catcher vessel per week and can land once per 24 hour period. A carrier vessel may land up to 160,000 lbs (4

- trucks) per week. The carrier limit of 4 trucks is not in addition to the harvester weekly landing limit. Carrier vessel: a vessel with no gear on board capable of catching or processing fish. Harvester vessel: a vessel that is required to report the catch it has aboard as the harvesting vessel on the Federal Vessel Trip Report.

The Area 1A sub-annual catch limit (ACL) is 32,084 metric tons (mt) after adjusting for a carryover from 2016 and the research set-aside. The Section allocated 72.8% of the sub-ACL to Trimester 2 and 27.2% to Trimester 3. After incorporating the 295 mt fixed gear set-aside and the 8% buffer (Area 1A closes at 92% of the sub-ACL), the seasonal quotas are 21,291 mt for Trimester 2 and 7,955 mt for Trimester 3.

These effort controls are projected to extend the Trimester 2 fishery through the beginning of September. Landings will be monitored closely and the fishery will be adjusted to zero landing days when the trimester's quota is projected to be reached.

Due to the results of the 2018 Atlantic Herring Stock Assessment, which indicate poor recruitment and spawning stock biomass, the New England Fishery Management Council has recommended that the Regional Administrator allow for an in-season adjustment to the 2018 Atlantic herring sub-ACLs. The intent of this in-season adjustment is to reduce the severity of catch reductions in 2019. Following action from NOAA Fisheries to adjust the 2018 sub-ACLs, the Atlantic Herring Section members from Maine, New Hampshire, and Massachusetts will reconvene via conference call to review fishing effort measures. Forty-eight hour notice will be provided before a Days Out Meeting.

Fishermen are prohibited from landing more than 2,000 pounds of Atlantic herring per trip from Area 1A on no landing days. Please contact Megan Ware, Fishery Management Plan Coordinator, at [mware@asmfc.org](mailto:mware@asmfc.org) or 703.842.0740 for more information.



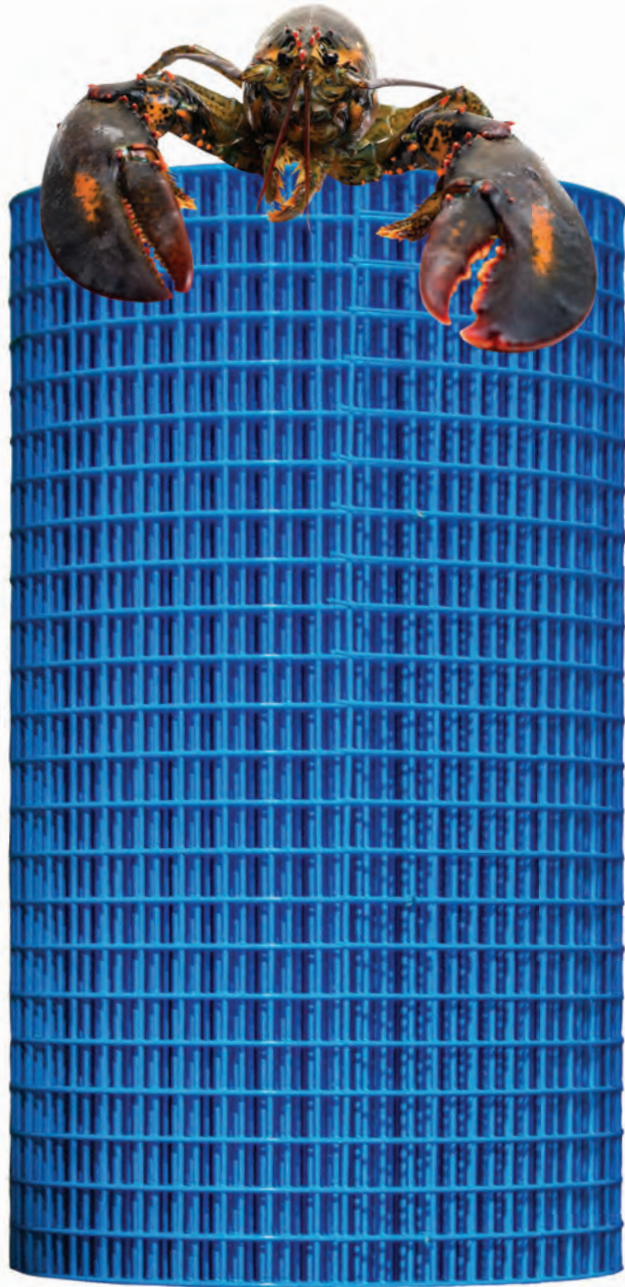
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**Patellofemoral syndrome.** Overuse and overexertion injuries often lead to this condition. A man might feel a dull, aching pain under or around the front of the kneecap. It can be caused by a combination of patellar tendon strain, torn cartilage, and a kneecap that's out of proper alignment.

**Torn cartilage.** Trauma to the knee or overexertion can tear the menisci. This often occurs with sprains. A man who has a torn meniscus will feel sharp pain in the affected knee, and the knee may begin to lock up over time.

**A strain or sprain** of the knee ligaments or muscles. This is usually caused by a blow to the knee or a severe twist of the knee. A man who suffers a sprain or a strain will experience pain, swelling, and difficulty walking.

**Tendonitis.** Overuse during activities like running, jumping, cycling, or team sports can cause tendonitis, or

inflammation of the tendons, the connective tissue that links muscle to bone. This causes significant pain in the front of the knee, especially when walking up or down stairs or hills.

### KNEE PAIN: REACHING A DIAGNOSIS

Doctors have a number of ways to diagnose knee problems:

Imaging tests like X-rays, MRIs, and CT scans, allow doctors to look inside the knee.

Arthroscopy uses a small tube with a tiny camera, or arthroscope, that's inserted into the knee. The camera technology allows images from inside of the knee to be projected onto a screen, enabling doctors to perform a thorough evaluation of the joint.

Radionuclide bone scan involves injecting a small amount of radioactive material into the patient. This allows doctors to assess blood flow to the bone and other parts of the knee, as well as cellular activity in the bone.

### KNEE PAIN: TREATMENT OPTIONS

Fortunately, there are also a number of remedies for knee pain, depending on the cause of the problem, such as:

Resting the knee and icing it for 15 to 20 minutes every three to four hours for the first couple of days following pain or injury.

Using crutches to take pressure off the knee while it recovers.

Wearing a knee brace to support ligaments and other structures that may have been weakened by the injury.

Taking medications to ease swelling and discomfort, including aspirin, acetaminophen (such as Tylenol), and non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs) like ibuprofen (Nuprin, Motrin, Advil, and other) and naproxen (Aleve).

Getting steroid injections into the knee joint to blunt severe pain from chronic conditions like arthritis.

Strengthening the muscles that support the knee with physical therapy. Therapy should include quadriceps, hamstring, and calf stretching, and low-impact aerobic activities such as cycling, swimming, walking, and cross-country skiing.

Having surgery when necessary to repair torn cartilage or other chronic problems.

Clearly, exercise and other physical activity are good for you, but you must always remain in tune with your body and pay attention to knee pain when it occurs. If you ignore it, you run the risk of making it worse. <https://www.everydayhealth.com/mens-health/knee-pain-relief.aspx>



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After nearly 40 years in the wire mesh business, James Knott, Sr. touched the lives of millions of people –starting with his customers and including all the people who unbeknownst to them benefited from his products with abundant lobster, perfectly cultured oysters, and protection from security breaches. He had a special place in his heart for his dedicated employees, many of whom have been with Riverdale Mills for decades and admired and respected his leadership and humanity.

#### Personal, Professional and Community Life

Knott's vision and creativity are evident in many aspects of his remarkable life and inspiring career. He earned an economics degree from Harvard College, studied mechanical engineering at Northeastern University, and served two years as a lieutenant in the Army. Before starting his own company, he was CEO of Coatings Engineering Corporation, the world's largest custom plastic coater. He was also a long-time Director of the Gilbert & Bennett Manufacturing Company of Georgetown, CT.

Knott was resourceful and an early adopter of recycling. To build some of his manufacturing machinery, he repurposed parts from a printing press the previous tenant of the mill had left behind. When asked once by a journalist how his company had thrived when so many other U.S. manufacturers had faltered, Knott responded pointedly, "We keep our costs low."

He also modernized the mill with efficiency in mind, restored the natural habitat, tapped the river for hydropower, and instituted recycling of all the steel from the manufacturing process.

Knott was an ardent supporter of the lobster industry, funding scholarships and research. He was also active in the communities of the local Blackstone Valley and the fishing mecca of Gloucester.

"With the passing of Jim Knott, the lobster and shellfishing industry has lost one of its most prolific supporters," said Beth Casoni, Executive Director of the Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association. "Jim believed in sustainable fishing and supported our efforts to ensure the viability of the industry and conservation of fish species. On behalf of the entire industry, we acknowledge his contributions, are grateful for his involvement, and will miss him tremendously."

Predeceased by his cherished wife Betty, who died in February after 67 years of marriage, Knott is survived by four children, including James Knott, Jr., the CEO of Riverdale Mills since 2015, and four grandchildren. Arrangements are forthcoming.

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# James Milne Knott

(1929 - 2018)



**N**orthbridge and Gloucester, MA – KNOTT, James Milne inventor, entrepreneur, decorated veteran, philanthropist, and founder of Riverdale Mills Corporation passed away peacefully at home on August 16, 2018 at the age of 88. Jim's vision and creativity are evident in many aspects of his remarkable life and career.

Jim was born in 1929 in Brighton, MA to Elizabeth Dingwall and Frank M. Knott. Jim was the grandson of Annie Macmillan Knott, who was an early practitioner and the first woman Director of the Christian Science Church. With an auspicious beginning, Jim had a competitive spirit from the start. He shined as a high school wrestler at The Governor's Academy in Byfield, MA, studied mechanical engineering at Northeastern University, and earned an economics degree from Harvard College class of 1954. He then served three years as a lieutenant in the U.S. Army where he earned the Army Commendation

Medal for meritorious service. Upon discharge, Jim founded Coatings Engineering Corporation (CEC) which he sold to the Gilbert & Bennett Mfg. Company (G & B) of Georgetown, CT in 1962. He was president of CEC and a director of G & B until 1978.

In the summer of 1947, one of many summers Jim would spend in Gloucester, Jim met his wife and life partner Betty Davis at the Rockport Art Association's July 4th dance. They married in 1951 and moved to Wellesley where they raised four children. In Gloucester, Jim saw firsthand how much time lobster fishermen spent fixing their wooden traps. He was convinced there had to be a better way. So, he set out to build a more durable lobster trap to reduce the downtime for fishermen and improve their annual catch rate.

In 1979, Jim founded Riverdale Mills Corporation to manufacture Aquamesh®, the first-of-its-kind marine-grade coated wire mesh. Today 85 percent of all lobster traps in North America are made with Aquamesh. In 2006, Jim was awarded an honorary Doctor of Science degree by the University of Maine for his





“commitment to the future of the lobster industry, innovative spirit, perseverance and positive leadership, willingness to share his knowledge and ideas and his outstanding support of UMaine’s Lobster Institute.”

Jim was always concerned for the welfare of the community and the industries his business served. A much-loved leader, Jim was demanding, supportive and caring. His employees, many of whom have worked at Riverdale Mills for decades loved his quiet, unique approach and novel ideas. He was a brilliant visionary and had a unique perspective on manufacturing. He was described as “one of those rare individuals who had the will, the intelligence and the guts to make a difference in this world.” Jim served as President and CEO of Riverdale Mills from 1979-2014.

Jim and Betty moved to Whitinsville in the town of Northbridge soon after founding Riverdale Mills. With his wife and sons in the business, Riverdale Mills grew to employ over 200 people in the Blackstone Valley. Jim loved the Whitinsville community and was instrumental in building a competition pool at the Whittin Community Center. He was also a great supporter of the Blackstone Valley Chamber of Commerce, Friends of Northbridge Elders and Worcester County Jail and Correction Department.

An avid preservationist, Jim restored the beautiful Riverdale Mill and its hydropower, and many other historically significant properties including the John Adams farmhouse, Whitinsville’s Oakhurst Mansion, 1890 mill housing and a circa 1700’s farm house in Sanbornton, NH. His respect for nature was reflected in his restoration of the 19-acre Riverdale Pond adjacent to the mill, now home to fish, swans and bald eagles. He was a collector of antique cars and military vehicles, and proudly drove them in many of the local parades. He contributed to the care and conservation of many community structures and monuments. His deep connection to Gloucester is expressed through his contributions to the Cape Ann Animal Aid, the restoration of the schooner “Adventure” and the realization of the Fishermen’s Wives Memorial. Jim was also a long-time member of the Eastern Point Yacht Club and the Harvard Club of Boston.

James Knott is predeceased by his cherished wife Betty, who died in February after 67 years of marriage, and is survived by his children Janet L. Knott, Andrew M. Knott and his wife Jayne (Fifield) Knott, James M. Knott Jr. and his wife Gigi (Gao) Knott, Edward Jeffrey Knott and his

wife Barbara (Glunn) Knott and grandchildren Jennie L. Knott and her partner Philipp Bolt, Andrew M. Knott Jr. and his wife Angela (Jenkins) Knott, Nancy D. Knott and her fiancé Matthew J. Crescio, and Elissa E. Knott.



The Knott family wishes to express their gratitude for the many remarkable caregivers who assisted with Jim’s care.

Flowers can be sent to either location, or a donation in honor of Jim can be made to the Whittin Community Center or the Cape Ann Animal Aid.

Visiting hours in Northbridge will be held at the Carr Funeral Home, 24 Hill Street, Whitinsville,

MA on Tuesday, August 28, 2018 from 4 to 7 pm. Visiting hours in Gloucester will be held at the Greely Funeral Home, 212 Washington Street, Gloucester, MA on Wednesday, August 29, 2018 from 5 to 7 pm. The burial and graveside service will be held at Seaside Cemetery at 88R Langsford Street, Gloucester, MA on Thursday, August 30, 2018 at 11:00 am.

A celebration of Jim’s life will be held at the Whittin Lasell Manor at 120 Hill Street, Whitinsville, MA from 2-5 pm on Sunday, November 18, 2018.







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## About Us

The mission of Fishing Partnership Support Services is to promote the health, safety and economic security of fishing families. Founded in 1997, the Partnership is headquartered in Burlington, MA, and maintains offices in the Massachusetts port communities of Gloucester, Plymouth, New Bedford and Chatham. For more information visit [www.fishingpartnership.org](http://www.fishingpartnership.org).

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# Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission

## NEWS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
August 20, 2018

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### ASMFC & MAFMC Approve Catch and Landings Limits for Summer Flounder, Scup, Black Sea Bass and Bluefish for 2019

#### *ASMFC Approves Black Sea Bass Addendum XXXI for Public Comment*

Virginia Beach, VA – The Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (Commission) and the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) reviewed previously approved specifications for scup and established new specifications for black sea bass, bluefish, and summer flounder fisheries. The Commission also approved Draft Addendum XXXI for public comment and agreed to provide the states the opportunity to open their black sea bass recreational fisheries in February 2019.

Catch and landings limits for the summer flounder, scup, black sea bass, and bluefish fisheries were established for 2019 only. The Commission’s actions are final and apply to state waters (0-3 miles from shore). The Council will forward its recommendations for federal waters (3 – 200 miles from shore) to NOAA Fisheries’ Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Administrator for final approval. The table below summarizes commercial quotas and recreational harvest limits (RHL) for summer flounder, scup, black sea bass, and bluefish (2018 values are provided for comparison purposes).

Species	Year	Commercial Quota (millions of pounds)	Commercial Minimum Fish Size (TL)	Commercial Diamond Mesh Size	Recreational Harvest Limit (millions of pounds)
Summer Flounder	2018	6.63	14"	5.5"	4.42
	2019	7.72	14"	5.5"	5.15
Scup	2018	23.98	9"	5"	7.37
	2019	23.98	9"	5"	7.37
Black Sea Bass	2018	3.52	11"	4.5"	3.66
	2019	3.14	11"	4.5"	3.27
Bluefish	2018	7.24	Varies by state		11.58
	2019	7.71	Varies by state		11.62

The Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission was formed by the 15 Atlantic coastal states in 1942 for the promotion and protection of coastal fishery resources. The Commission serves as a deliberative body of the Atlantic coastal states, coordinating the conservation and management of nearshore fishery resources, including marine, shell and anadromous species.

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# MLA Submits Comments Opposing the Whale Safe Fishing Act

On August 9th the Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association (MLA) submitted comments to Attorney General, Maura Healey opposing the Whale Safe Fishing Act (Act) submitted by Max Strahan. This is the SAME Act that has been filed by Max annually over the past 15 years without any results nor has he ever returned the 65,000 plus signatures needed to be included on the ballot during the elections.

Currently, the Massachusetts commercial lobstermen are doing more than anyone in the world to protect the Right Whales. Massachusetts commercial lobstermen are innovative leaders in the world; testing weaker ropes, buoyless pots and working around a 3 month trap/pot closure encompassing 3,073 square miles for the protection of Right Whales. We are hopeful this Act will not be allowed as it will cause additional superfluous strain on the commercial lobstermen here in the Commonwealth.

Since 2000, there have been only 2 confirmed entanglements attributed to Massachusetts lobster gear, a stark contrast from the Unusual Mortality Events of 2017 with 17 Right Whale deaths (12 in Canada & 5 in the US). While none of the 5 deaths in the U.S. were attributed to fishing, the fishing industry continues to seek alternatives to minimize interactions even while being asked to do more.

The commercial lobster fishery here in the Commonwealth continues to wane, losing on average 25 to 30 commercial lobster permits annually; from the 1278 permits in 2010 down to 1,088 permits in 2017, removing approximately 152,000 vertical lines from the water. In 2017 there were 308 latent permits bringing the total of active permits down to 780 total active commercial lobster permits, removing an additional 246,400 vertical lines from the

water. We believe this Act is grossly misrepresenting the urgency and need for the Massachusetts commercial lobster industry to do more in the name of conservation for Right Whales and should not be allowed.

The MLA remains dedicated to working on solutions for the future of the Right Whales which greatly depends on the collective efforts of scientists, researchers, managers and fishermen alike to work together for the best possible resolve while allowing fishermen to fish and whales to feed in the waters off of Massachusetts safely.



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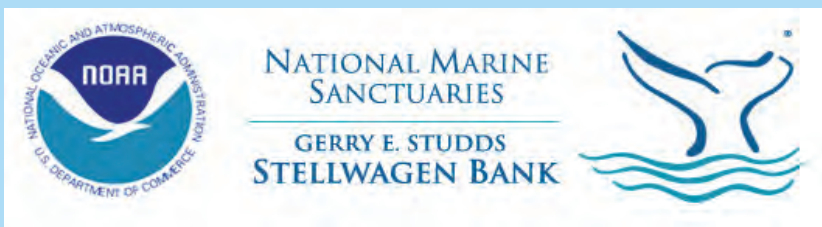
## The Whale Safe Fishing Act/B

Section One: This Act may be referred to and cited as the "Whale Safe Fishing Act."

Section Two: Non-Discretionary Mandate for Whale Safe Commercial Fishing

1. Chapter 130 of the Massachusetts General Laws is amended and revised with the addition of the following text:
2. "Section 17B: Providing for Whale and Sea Turtle Safe Commercial Marine Fisheries"
  - (a). "The Secretary of the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs shall annually make a scientific determination fully justified in writing on whether or not any type of fishing gear to be licensed by the Director is "whale safe," meaning that a specific type of fishing gear to be permitted has not entangled any whale or sea turtle in the past nor it is likely to do so in the future under a reasonably expected set of circumstances. The Director shall then only license fishing gear for the coming year — regardless of any other provision of law — that has been so scientifically determined to be whale and sea turtle safe by the Secretary."
  - (b). "Above any other consideration of law, It is prohibited for the Director to authorize and/or annually license the use of any kind of fishing gear for commercial purposes that has not that same year been previously certified by the Secretary as whale safe."
  - (c). "The Director is prohibited from licensing under any circumstances the use of any kind of fishing gear using vertical buoy ropes and/or gill net or any other kind of gear that basically suspends a curtain of mesh material into the marine environment to passively take fish without it being actively towed."
  - (d). **Citizen Suits:**
    - (i) Any member of the Public may commence a civil action in a Massachusetts court to enforce any provision of the Act including its prohibitions. A court shall enjoin the licensing and/or future use of any fishing not so properly certified as whale and sea turtle safe without any consideration of the adverse impact on any fishermen or any commercial industry. Such an injunction will in all circumstances be considered to serve the Public Interest. A jury of citizens can be chosen by any of the parties to decide on the issuance of any said injunction by a court.
    - (ii). A member of the Public may seek an award of tort damages against the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to pay for efforts to reverse the accumulated injuries inflicted on the long term viability to a species of wildlife from any violation(s) of the Act.
    - (iii). A court shall award the plaintiff his costs of litigation against any defendant brought for violation of the Act's provisions — even if he brings the action *pro se* — if he prevails in any manner in the prosecution of his claims.





## A New Superintendent is Appointed for Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary

After many months of process and deliberation, we have selected Pete DeCola as the next superintendent of Stellwagen Bank NMS. Pete brings a tremendous amount of experience to the position, especially in natural resource management, building and managing partnerships, short and long-term strategic planning, managing people and the workplace environment, budget development, and operations. He has worked closely with many of our key partners in the New England region, including the NE Fishery Management Council, NMFS (GARFO), academia, and the US Navy.

After retiring from the US Coast Guard after 30 years of service, Pete joined Nuka Research in 2014 as a performance consultant supporting emergency response initiatives around the country. He earned a Master of education from UMass-Boston and Master of Marine Affairs from URI. His undergraduate degree is in Government from the USCG Academy. Pete and his family live in Plymouth. His start date in Scituate is September 4th.

# North Atlantic Right Whale Consortium ANNUAL MEETING

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One of the most effective ways to carry out the Consortium mission is to hold annual meetings at which research, new techniques, management strategies, and other facets of right whale conservation are shared and discussed. The Annual Meeting of the North Atlantic Right Whale Consortium is the only annual event during which all stakeholders have the opportunity to gather and exchange ideas and information, and therefore we view this meeting as an invaluable resource to the management and conservation of this species.

The Annual Meeting agenda each year includes the Business Meeting. During this meeting, vacant Board positions are filled, the membership hears updates from various management teams, and discussions about the role the Consortium as an entity does and can play in right whale conservation and management take place.

In addition to the Business Meeting, research, management, conservation, and education presentations are planned. Attendance of NARWC members at the meeting is encouraged and there is not a requirement to present to attend.

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Registration fees include the scientific program, breakfast, sit-down lunch, coffee breaks, and opening night reception.

**Ropeless Consortium Meeting**  
 The Ropeless Consortium meeting will take place the day before the NARWC Annual Meeting on November 6th, from 8:30am to 5:00pm at the New Bedford Whaling Museum. The agenda is still in preparation. The meeting will include presentations on available ropeless fishing products, prototypes in development, and testing results from this year, as well as discussion of progress overcoming regulatory challenges, fisheries outreach, establishing experimental fisheries, and funding opportunities and challenges. Details will follow and will be available at [www.ropeless.org](http://www.ropeless.org).

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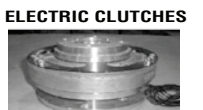


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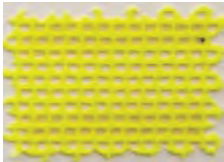

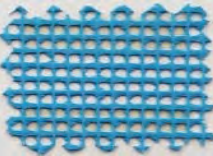
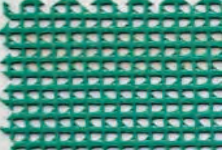

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# Progress Toward Massachusetts Senator Bruce Tarr's Plan

## to Expand Lobster Processing Backed by Massachusetts State Senate

*Office of Senator Bruce Tarr*

The State Senate today gave final legislative approval to a plan that requires the Division of Marine Fisheries to complete a study of the current lobster fishery and provide a recommendation as to the advisability of enacting statutory or regulatory changes to allow the processing of lobster parts in Massachusetts. The report, will “provide a recommendation as to the advisability of enacting statutory and regulatory changes to allow the processing of lobster parts” for sale in the Commonwealth, is mandated to be issued before the end of the year.

Senate Minority Leader Bruce Tarr (R- Gloucester) successfully sponsored an amendment to direct the Division of Marine Fisheries to implement new regulations permitting on-shore processing of lobsters as part of the Senate’s environmental legislation, an act Promoting Climate Change Adaptation, Environmental And Natural Resource Protection, And Investment In Recreational Assets And Opportunity.

“I believe this study will confirm that our state, which has the second-largest lobster catch in the country, should be processing raw and frozen lobster parts in state rather than sending them to Canada or Maine only to have them brought back for our local consumers,” said Senator Tarr. “We are making progress on modernizing our lobster laws to bolster the fishing industry; give consumers, including local restaurants and food stores, more choices and better values and support coastal fishing communities.”

While the sale of live, cooked, and canned lobster is legal in the state, the legislation will expand the industry market with the inclusion of other lobster products. The amendment could permit wholesale dealers licensed by the Department of Public Health to process unfrozen lobsters, import unfrozen shell-on lobster parts and tails, and allow for the retail of previously frozen raw in-shell tails.

Tarr notes that the study could result in lifting limits on the processing, sale, and transportation of cooked and frozen in-shell lobster parts. Under existing laws, Massachusetts lobstermen and seafood vendors are required to sell or transport lobster out-of-state for processing and then bring them back for sale to consumers in the bay state – often with a ‘Product of Canada’ label.



Following a successful study, which will include an economic and market analysis, potential impacts and benefits, and an assessment of potential state and federal law enforcement issues, the Division of Marine Fisheries will make statutory recommendation.

Up to 80% of lobsters landed in the state are sent to out of state processing facilities. Industry leaders say the move will facilitate opportunities to create and grow jobs in the state.

Tarr expressed appreciation for coastal Senators Mark Montigny (D- New Bedford), Vinny deMacedo (R- Plymouth), and Michael Rodrigues (D-Westport) for their efforts to strengthen the industry and in supporting the legislation.

The lobster industry is a critical part of the Commonwealth’s economy and heritage. A similar law in Maine has boosted that state’s economy, produced local outlets for product sales, and created jobs. Released by the Office of Massachusetts Senator Bruce Tarr on July 31, 2018.



## New England Fishery Management Council

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
August 15, 2018

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### Council Seeks Input From Fishermen and Research Partners on RSA Programs; Take the Online Survey!

The New England Fishery Management Council is asking fishermen and their cooperative research partners who participate in the Atlantic Sea Scallop, Atlantic Herring, and/or Monkfish Research Set-Aside (RSA) Programs to take an online survey and provide feedback on the strengths and weaknesses of these programs and pass along any suggestions for improvement. Other stakeholders who have an interest or role in RSA programs also are encouraged to take the survey.

The survey is part of the Council's comprehensive review of RSA programs, which is being conducted by a six-member review panel that includes two representatives each from: the New England Council; the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS, NOAA Fisheries) Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office (GARFO); and the Northeast Fisheries Science Center (NEFSC). A representative from the Mid-Atlantic Council staff also sits on the review panel as an observer.

*"The Research Set-Aside Program is a partnership between the fishing industry, the New England Council, and NMFS to use fishing opportunities to pay for valuable research. It is widely viewed as a success.*

*"The Council decided to conduct a review because of the importance and magnitude the program. Our RSA programs for scallops, herring, and monkfish support millions of dollars of research, and the Council wants to make sure these programs are as good as they can be."*

*– Dr. Mike Sissenwine  
Review Panel Chair*

RSA programs use a set-aside of fishery resources, either quota or days-at-sea, to generate revenue that is used to conduct needed research that directly contributes to Council management.

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#### Research Set-Aside Program Review Panel Members

- Dr. Mike Sissenwine, Panel Chair – New England Council
- Deirdre Boelke – New England Council staff
- Ryan Silva – NOAA Fisheries, GARFO
- Susan Olsen – NOAA Fisheries, GARFO
- Cheryl Corbett – NOAA Fisheries, NEFSC
- Dr. Dan Hennan – NOAA Fisheries, NEFSC
- Brandon Muffley – Mid-Atlantic Council, staff observer





# New England Fishery Management Council

The survey, which contains roughly 40 questions, will be available online until mid-September 2018. Some questions are multiple choice, while others request more detailed input from stakeholders. Anyone taking the survey may do so anonymously if preferred, and **survey input will not be attributed to any individual without explicit permission**. Please allow adequate time to complete the survey in a single session.

## Survey Questions – Examples

19. The management review process is adequate to assure that RSA research is useful for fishery management and adequately considers fishing industry interests.

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| <input type="radio"/> Strongly agree             | <input type="radio"/> Disagree            |
| <input type="radio"/> Agree                      | <input type="radio"/> Strongly disagree   |
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Do you have suggestions to improve the management review process?

24. RSA research results are made available in a timely manner.

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27. Do you have ideas to increase the monetized value of RSA quota and days at sea (DAS) so that more research can be supported? Can you identify the primary benefits and costs of these approaches?

29. Would you favor an increase in RSA access even if it means a reduction in non-RSA fishing opportunities?

- Yes  
 No

## What's Next?

The review panel also will be conducting in-depth interviews by phone with many volunteer participants over the next several weeks.

The New England Council will receive a progress report on the review panel's work during its September 24-27, 2018 meeting in Plymouth. The Council is expected to receive the panel's final report in early December.

Among other things, the report will cover:

- The review panel's findings and recommendations;
- The history and role of RSA programs and the purpose of the review;
- Details about how priorities are set for each of the scallop, herring, and monkfish programs, the valuing and monetizing of RSA currency, funding vehicles, project selection, and the handling of RSA results; and
- "Getting the most out of RSA in the future."

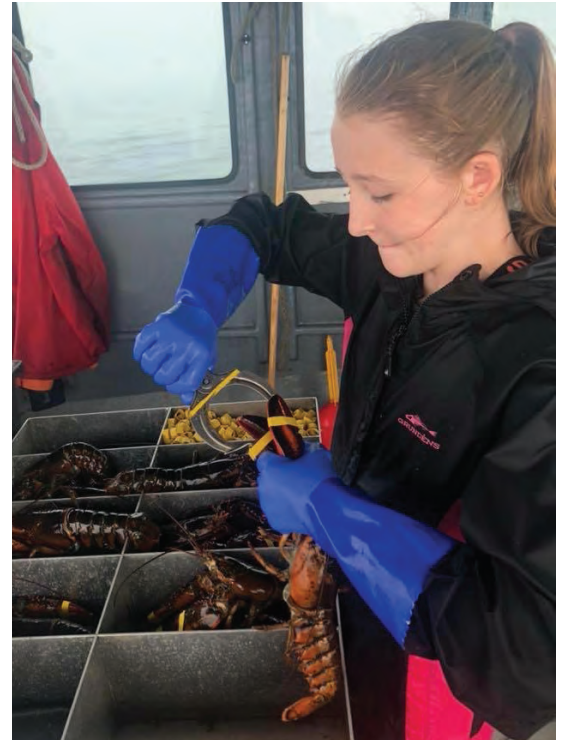
➤ For more information, visit the Council's RSA Review webpage at [Research Set-Aside Program Review](#).

- Take the online survey now at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7J7XJJ5>.
- Recent RSA announcements can be found at [2019-2020 Atlantic Sea Scallop RSA Competition Underway](#); [Atlantic Herring Competition Underway](#); and [2018-2019 Monkfish RSA Awards Announced](#).











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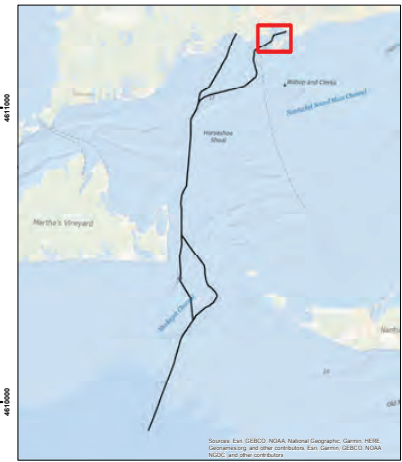
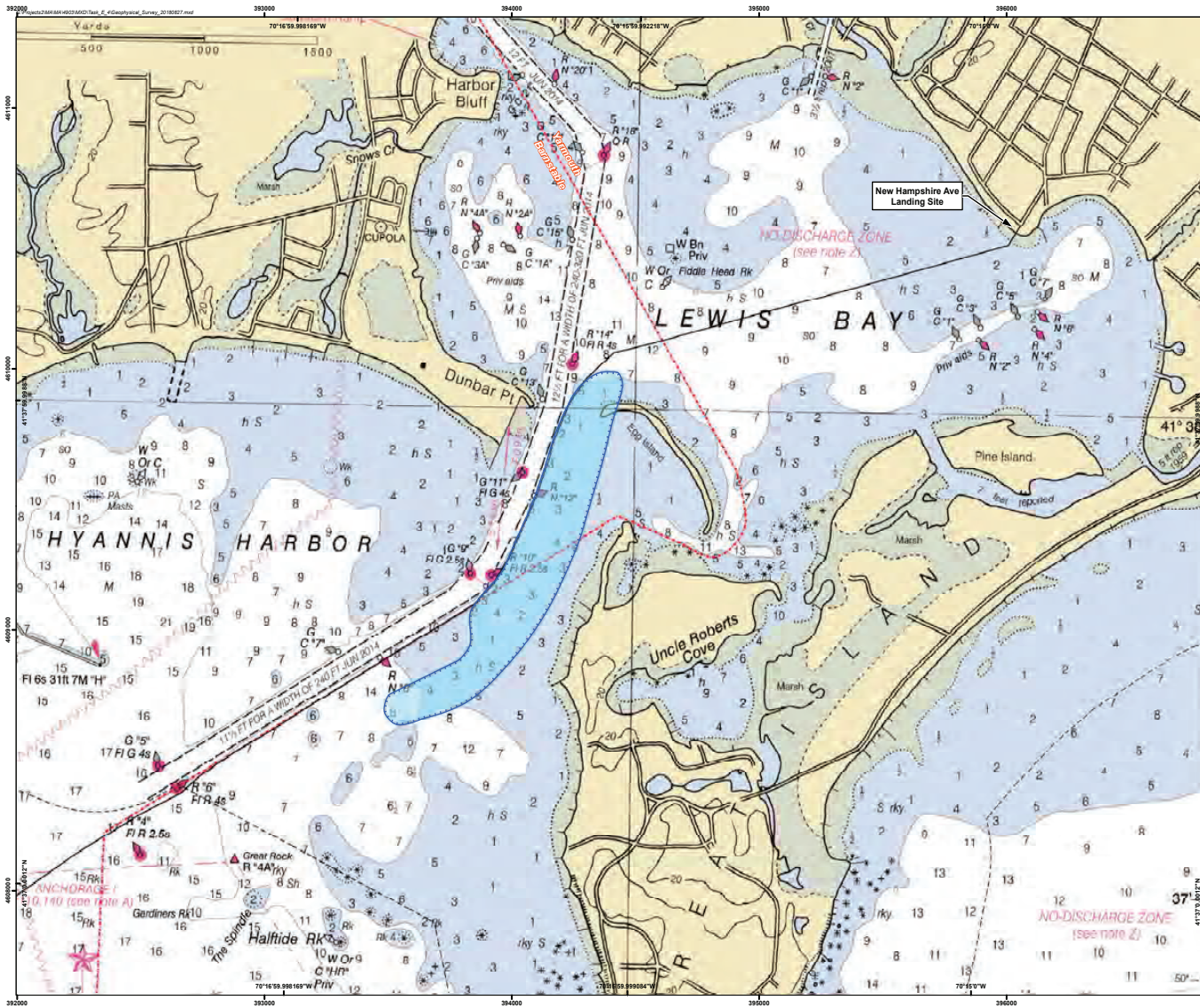


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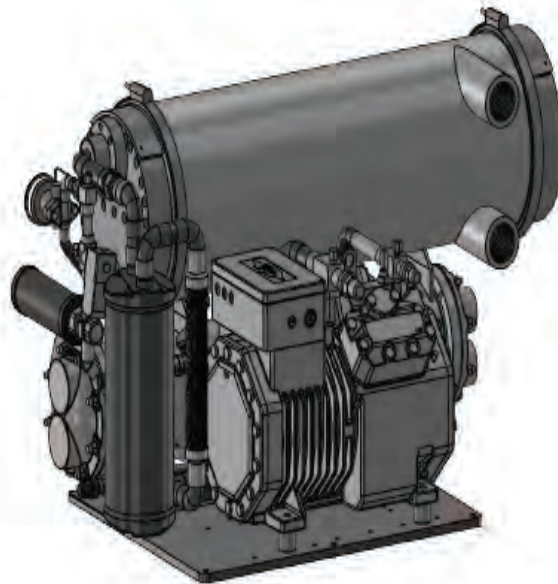




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Lobster harvesters are adhering to new dynamic and static closure measures that have been implemented by the Government of Canada.

In addition to these ongoing measures, lobster harvesters in a number of Canadian fishing regions have been testing various technologies to aid in NARW protection. As well, several harvesters have trained with whale rescue teams on whale disentanglement.

The Canadian lobster fishery also differs from others in the number of traps and lines that we are able to have in the water at any given time.

As an industry we are very committed to continue to work with regulators on both sides of the Canada/US border to ensure that we are doing all we can to implement proven mitigation tactics that will have a real impact on the long-term sustainability of the NARW.



**WE MUST ALL CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER TO DEVELOP THE RIGHT STRATEGIES TO PROTECT THE NARW WHILE ENSURING CONTINUED SUSTAINABILITY OF THE FISHERY AND COASTAL COMMUNITIES.**

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13a-13b April 20 - July 5	19-21 May 9 - July 9	29 May 10 - July 10	36-37 March 21 - June 29 and 2nd Tuesday in November - January 15
14a-14b-14c May 5 - July 10	22-23 April 20 - June 20	30 May 19 - July 20	38 2nd Tuesday in November - June 29
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Dynamic closures were introduced in

**2018**

**48**

License holders will be provided 48 hours to remove fishing gear from the zone prior to a dynamic closure

**DYNAMIC CLOSURES**

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**72**

License holders must report lost gear within **72 hours of discovery**

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**48**

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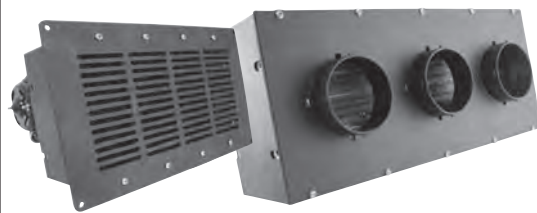


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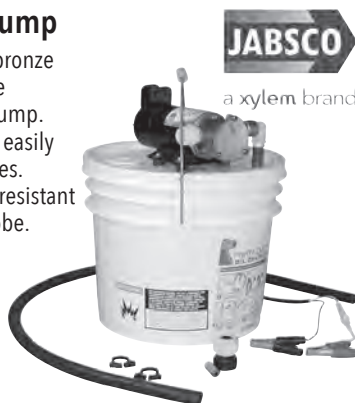


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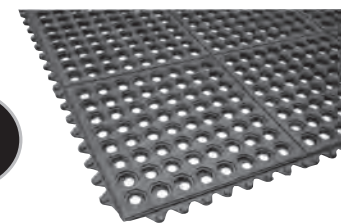
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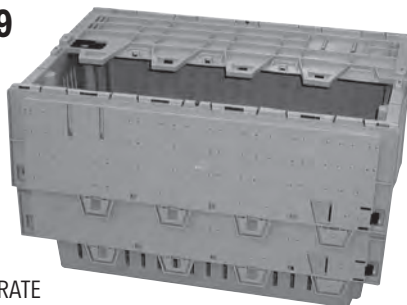


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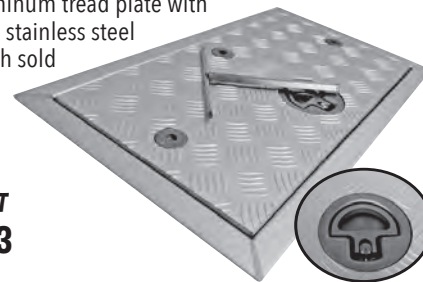
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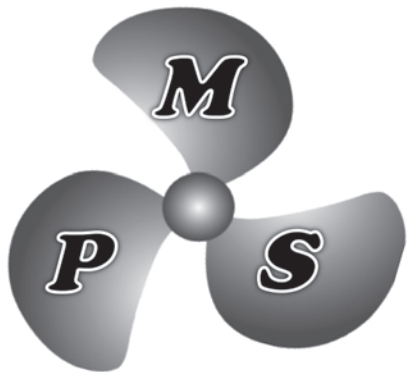
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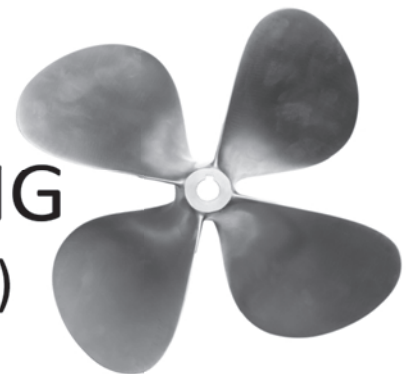
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## Vessels with Federal Atlantic Herring Permits

### Reduction in Catch Limits for Atlantic Herring Management Areas

Effective Date: August 22, 2018

We are reducing the sub-annual catch limits (ACL) for the four Atlantic Herring Management Areas for the rest of 2018 based on an updated stock assessment and a recommendation from the New England Fishery Management Council.

We agreed with the Council's recommendation to reduce 2018 catch but determined that further reductions are necessary to lessen the risk of overfishing in 2018. Therefore, we are further reducing the Area 1A and Area 3 sub-ACLs by a total of 3,775 mt, resulting in sub-ACLs for the four management areas totaling 49,900 mt. We expect this reduction to reduce the probability of overfishing in 2018, increase the estimated herring biomass in 2019-2021, and provide for more catch for the fishery.

Management Areas would close when 92-percent of the sub-ACL is projected to be harvested. The revised 2018 sub-ACLs (in mt) are as follows:

	2018 Original Limits	2018 Council Recommendation	NEW AREA SUB-ACLs
<b>Area 1A Sub-ACL</b>	31,789*	28,682*	<b>27,743</b>
<b>Area 1B Sub-ACL</b>	3,552	2,639	<b>2,639</b>
<b>Area 2 Sub-ACL</b>	31,137	8,200	<b>8,200</b>
<b>Area 3 Sub-ACL</b>	43,763	14,134	<b>11,318</b>
<b>Total of Sub-ACLs</b>	110,536**	53,655	<b>49,900</b>

\* If New Brunswick weir fishery catch through October 1 is less than 4,000 mt, then 1,000 mt will be added to the ACL and Area 1A Sub-ACL.

\*\*Total of the sum of the area sub-ACLs. Note that this is different from the stockwide ACL (100,969 mt) which is not increased by carrying over underages.

**Q. Why is NOAA Fisheries taking this action?**

A. The 2018 stock assessment concluded that the Atlantic herring stock is in decline due to poor recruitment into the population and projected that large cuts in the 2019-2021 ACL

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would be necessary to prevent overfishing. In order to lessen these future catch reductions, the Council recommended we cap the 2018 Atlantic herring harvest.

**Q. Why did NOAA reduce the sub-ACLs below the New England Council's recommendations?**

A. The Council's recommendation was intended to mitigate the impacts of estimated 2019 reductions on the herring industry. NOAA Fisheries agrees with the Council's intent to reduce these impacts but felt that further reductions were necessary to lessen the risk of overfishing in 2018. The stock assessment projected that the Council's recommended level of catch was likely to result in overfishing for 2018, so we chose to reduce the Council's recommended catch so that we would meet the 50-percent probability of overfishing target that was used in previous specifications for setting the overfishing limit (OFL). We reduced the sub-ACLs from the Council recommendation by a total of 3,775 mt, which results in sub-ACLs for the four management areas totaling 49,900 mt. Based on the 2018 stock assessment projection, we expect this reduction to reduce the probability of overfishing in 2018, increase the estimated herring biomass in 2019-2021, and provide for more catch for the fishery.

**Q. Why did NOAA Fisheries distribute the reductions the way they did?**

A. We subtracted the additional 3,775 mt from the Council's proposed sub-ACLs for Area 3 (14,134 mt to 11,318 mt) and Area 1A (28,862 mt to 27,743 mt). Area 3 catch has dropped in recent years and there has been minimal catch there in 2018. We project it to be the least likely sub-ACL to be captured. Focusing part of the additional reduction on Area 3 would allow the midwater trawl fleet with an opportunity to access available catch in Area 1B that may help mitigate the loss of potential catch from Area 3. Avoiding an additional reduction to Area 2 catch would help avoid an early closure of the directed fishery in Area 2 that could result from setting the new limit too close to current catch amounts. Reducing Area 1A quota will spread the reductions among the herring gear types rather than having impacts predominately on midwater trawl vessels.

For more information, please visit the NOAA Fisheries Greater Atlantic Region [herring webpage](#) or contact Dan Luers at [Daniel.luers@noaa.gov](mailto:Daniel.luers@noaa.gov); 978-282-8457.



## The Section 6 Species Recovery

Rope Survey is Underway for the Lobster Fishery from Maine to Connecticut



The Maine Department of Marine Resources, with funding from the NOAA Section 6 Species Recovery Grants to States Program, is conducting surveys of lobster harvesters to provide data that will inform future whale protection regulations from Maine to Connecticut.

Harvesters from Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and Connecticut as well as those who fish in the offshore statistical areas within Management Area 3 are asked to

complete this survey by the end of September.

Harvesters are being asked to complete a brief survey on how vertical lines are rigged and fished. Information will include rope type and diameter; trap configuration, distance from shore, depth, and type of surface system.

Without a better understanding of vertical lines, regulators are more likely to implement sweeping regulations which might not be any more effective at protecting whales. Good information from industry, including these surveys, will increase the likelihood of targeted, effective regulations.

Personal or identifying information will be kept confidential and removed prior to distribution of survey results; however, we ask for your name, phone number and, in the case of Maine harvesters, your landings number, so we can contact you if necessary to confirm information provided in the survey.

Here is the link: <https://www.maine.gov/dmr/science-research/species/lobster/ropesurveylandingpage.html> or you can visit [www.lobstermen.com](http://www.lobstermen.com) and it will be on the HOME page.

Participation should take less than 10 minutes and YOUR participation is critical to ensure the data collected is a true depiction of the lobster fishery.

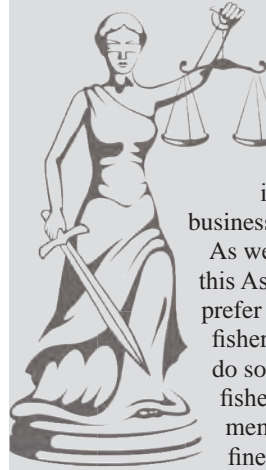
End line or vertical line samples

The MLA will also be collecting as many end line/ vertical line samples, we are looking for complete end lines and we need to collect at least a name and phone number with each sample so we can contact them to get additional information about the end line (e.g. how many seasons fished, etc.). The data sheet can also be found on the MLA home page so you have a sense of what we're looking for. These end lines can be dropped off at the MLA office at 8 Otis Place, Scituate, MA 02066 or at the Delegates meeting on September 19th or mailed to the MLA office.

The Rope Breaking Datasheet can also be found at [www.lobstermen.com](http://www.lobstermen.com) HOME page for the basic information we need collected with each sample. These tags should be attached to the end line sample so we can keep straight who's donated what. A fisherman can certainly donate more than one sample if he fishes different configurations or fishes different rope in different areas. If someone does give more than one sample, please tag both ropes and label them 1 of 2 and 2 of 2 for example.

Please do not hesitate to call for assistance with any of the surveys, please contact Caitlin Cleaver with FB Environmental at 207-706-9466 or by email at [cailinc@fbenvironmental.com](mailto:cailinc@fbenvironmental.com) or call Beth Casoni at the MLA 781-545-6984 xt1.

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The Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association continues to need support for its Legal Defense Fund. This dedicated fund has been and will be used for the purpose of defending the Massachusetts lobster fishermen from legal and fisheries management actions that could seriously impact our fishermen's ability to conduct their businesses and earn a living.

As we all know, any legal action costs lots of money and this Association needs to be prepared. We certainly would prefer and will continue to try and resolve issues on our fishery without going into court but we must be ready to do so in order to protect our industry and our individual fishermen's livelihoods. These are real threats and our members frequently say – just sue them – well, that's fine to say but to do that we need your support. Any contribution you can afford to make to this fund will be held in our legal defense fund and used only for defraying legal expenses if and when they are needed. Thank you for your continued support.

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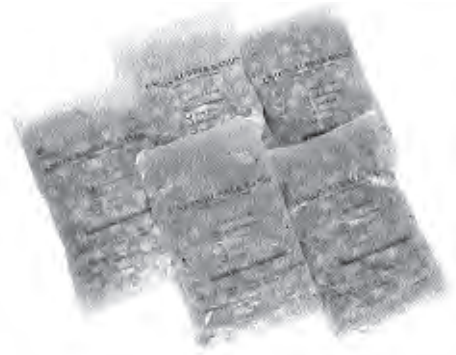




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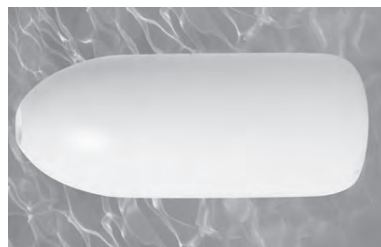
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Black Sea Bass, Bluefish, Fluke, Horseshoe Crab, Menhaden, Scup, Striped Bass, Tautog

Please remember that horseshoe crab quota and landings are reported as count of individual crabs harvested for non-biomedical purposes.

QUOTA MANAGED SPECIES 2018 Landings and Quota Information as of Aug 22, 2018 - 09:15 A.M.					
Species	Current Status	2018 MA Landings	2018 Quota	Quota Type	Percent Landed
<a href="#">Black Sea Bass</a>	OPEN	275,319	457,645	MA	60.2%
<a href="#">Bluefish</a>	OPEN	121,371	486,539	MA	24.9%
<a href="#">Dogfish</a>	OPEN	3,320,874	22,153,577	CW	to NMFS
<a href="#">Fluke</a>	CLOSED	409,933	410,192	MA	99.9%
<a href="#">Horseshoe Crab*</a>	OPEN	106,135	165,000	MA	64.3%
<a href="#">Menhaden</a>	OPEN	5,187,751	6,065,015	MA	85.5%
<a href="#">Scup (Winter I)</a>	CLOSED	567,957	10,820,000	CW	to NMFS
<a href="#">Scup (Summer)</a>	OPEN	549,604	2,016,112	MA	27.3%
<a href="#">Striped Bass</a>	OPEN	488,833	847,585	MA	57.7%
<a href="#">Tautog</a>	CLOSED	0	62,945	MA	%

MA = Massachusetts-specific quota

CW = Coast-wide quota shared between MA and other Atlantic states prompt

\*Horseshoe Crab quota and landings reported as count of individual crabs harvested for non-biomedical purposes.

### CONTACT FOR CURRENT QUOTAS AND LANDINGS

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# Whale Entanglement Challenges

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For the past 20+ years, as a veterinarian and scientist at the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution (WHOI), I have studied interactions between humans and marine mammals. I have spent a lot of time on the beach learning from dead whales about how they die before their time and I've been at sea, studying the health of large whales using a variety of technologies. North Atlantic right whales have become a major focus for my concerns, both in terms of the status of the species, but also the health and welfare of individuals. I recently gave a TEDx talk ([https://youtu.be/vhkY\\_Ny-sBA](https://youtu.be/vhkY_Ny-sBA)) that summarizes what we have learned; vessel strikes kill whales quite regularly, and entanglement in rope can lead to lethal and sub-lethal impacts. The vessel strike problem has solutions that involve avoiding whale hotspots, if possible, slowing down where those areas cannot be avoided, and mariner education. As many research, state and federal colleagues have shown, the entanglement problem has been escalating despite major effort and investment by the trap fishing industry to mitigate the problem. I have watched with dismay and concern for the livelihoods of individual fishermen, as the industry has repeatedly done what it has been asked to do: weak links, sinking ground line, and seasonal closures but the problem persists and escalates. I am not alone in believing that removing end line from the

water column is an essential next step. Since we held the Ropeless Workshop at WHOI in February of this year ([www.ropeless.org](http://www.ropeless.org)), there has been earnest push back from the industry with very reasonable major concerns about cost, practicality, safety, layovers, and to quote some, the overall insanity of the idea. (The term 'ropeless' has led to confusion.

It does not imply no sinking ground line. The word is best seen as describing a ropeless condition for the whales.) Where there are closures, such as seasonally in Cape Cod Bay and the Gulf of St Lawrence, there is willingness at least to consider, develop and test solutions that could reopen those areas. There have been trials of remote release systems this summer with Dave Casoni and others, which have been fruitful, but also accentuate the challenges especially of unmanageable cost, safety and layovers.

While preparing for the Ropeless workshop I recognized that the various remotely triggered buoyant trap recovery systems that are either on the market, or in development could take precious time to develop for the specific needs of New England and Eastern Canadian trap fisheries, and that given grappling is used to recover traps where end lines have been lost, it would be worthwhile exploring that option while pursuing longer term evaluations of other gear. So, I examined the Golden Crab Fishery in the Gulf Stream where the strong current precludes end lines and the Boston Harbor

situation, where vessel trauma to end lines is such that grappling is routine. The Golden Crab fishery is in very deep water, they have figured out how to relocate the traps by understanding how the stream affects where the traps get to, and they communicate about location to avoid layovers. Thus, the low trap density and communication avoid the layover problem. In regards to Boston Harbor, I was invited by Fred Penney to learn first-hand about the Boston Harbor system, where layovers are a constant issue, and only manageable because of the shallow and protected water. I am really grateful to Fred for taking the time.

My TEDx talk also highlighted the potential for fishing without end lines in deeper water, generating a whale friendly product that could be sold at a premium to ethically-minded consumers. How to make this practical, safe and affordable is the obvious challenge. What I learned from Fred was the safety and practical concern about layovers in deeper water, making grappling or other end-line-less retrieval systems harder to use. I also learned at the Ropeless Workshop, from the Maine community, the huge ethical/ legal concern about grappling given its current use to exceed trap limits using sunken trawls. Yet grappling is routinely used where end lines have been cut. Thus, there are diverse challenges for its broader use as a routine retrieval method. The challenges that remain are layovers and their consequences as well as increased time to retrieve, the actual buoy on the surface versus a virtual buoy on a plotter is something that as an observer from outside the industry, I cannot fully comprehend. Plus of course virtual trap markers would have to become legal. However, I believe that an affordable, durable, practical, legal remote trap tag is a critical piece to a future of profitable, sustainable trap fishing and healthy, un-entangled whales. I sincerely hope to learn more from the trap industry, so that along with many other colleagues, we can work with you all to evolve to where trap fishing can remain profitable, but also allow for endangered whale species to survive.



Fred Penney patiently explaining grappling.

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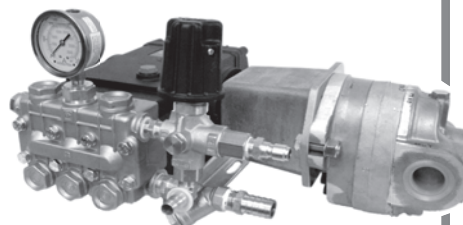
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## MA Marine Fisheries Advisory Commission

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### July 19, 2018 Meeting Summary

This document serves as a brief summary of the July 19, 2018 Marine Fisheries Advisory Commission (MFAC) business meeting. Further details will be captured in MFAC business meeting minutes for this date.

#### **Discussion Items**

##### Letter from MFAC to Secretary Beaton

Commission members agreed to send a letter to Secretary Beaton of the Executive Office of Energy and Environment. The letter addresses enhancing the coastal presence of the Massachusetts Environmental Police and advocates for increasing their budget to hire new personnel.

##### Preview of August 2018 ASMFC Meeting

DMF staff provided a preview of the August 2018 ASMFC business meeting. The Eel Board is scheduled to vote on an addendum to the FMP, which addresses elver and yellow eel quotas. The Menhaden Board will consider potential responses to VA potentially failing to enact the Chesapeake Bay Cap required by the FMP. Lastly, the recreational black sea bass working group was continuing its effort to develop a more cohesive and equitable coast-wide management approach that accounts for shifts in the geographic distribution of fish.

##### Draft ASMFC/MAFMC Bluefish Amendment

The ASMFC and MAFMC recently held joint public hearings to begin to scope the development of a draft addendum to the federal and interstate FMP. The purpose of the draft amendment will be to address recreational-commercial allocation splits, state-by-state commercial quota allocations and commercial quota transfers. The MFAC supported drafting of a letter to the MAFMC and ASMFC to advocate that the draft amendment include conservative management options.

##### Update on Recent Adjudicatory Hearings

DMF reviewed the results of several recent adjudicatory hearings. This included the issuance of permit sanctions and the adoption of permit conditions for recreational and commercial fishing violations and permit revocations for contaminated shellfish violations.

#### **Presentation**

DMF provided the MFAC with a presentation on kelp aquaculture development in Massachusetts.

#### **Upcoming Meetings**

The next MFAC business meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 13, 2018. It will be held at Division of Marine Fisheries East Field Office in New Bedford, MA. This meeting is scheduled to begin immediately following a public hearing at 9AM.

If you would like to obtain any materials regarding past or upcoming MFAC business meetings, please contact Jared Silva at DMF (617-626-1534 or [jared.silva@state.ma.us](mailto:jared.silva@state.ma.us)).





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# Lobster

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### Ingredients:

- 4 (8oz.) Filet Mignon
- ½ teaspoon garlic powder
- 4 slices bacon
- 1/2 cup butter, divided
- 1 teaspoon Old Bay seasoning
- 8 oz. lobster tail, cleaned & chopped

### Directions:

- 1) Set oven to Broil at 500 degrees F (260 degrees C).
- 2) Sprinkle tenderloins all over with salt, pepper, and garlic powder. Wrap each filet with bacon, and secure with a toothpick. Place on a broiling pan, and broil to desired doneness, about 8 to 10 minutes per side for medium rare.
- 3) While tenderloins are cooking, melt 1/4 cup of butter over medium heat with 1/2 teaspoon Old Bay(R) seasoning. Stir in chopped lobster meat, and cook until done. Spoon lobster meat over cooked tenderloins, and return them to the broiler until the lobster meat begins to brown.
- 4) While the lobster is in the oven, heat the remaining 1/4 cup of butter in a small saucepan over medium-high heat, cook until it browns, turning the color of a hazelnut. To serve, spoon the browned butter over the steaks, and sprinkle with the remaining Old Bay(R) seasoning.



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# Massachusetts Fun Facts

552 original documents pertaining to the Salem witch trials of 1692 have been preserved and are still stored by the Peabody Essex Museum.

Boston built the first subway system in the United States in 1897.

Although over 30 communities in the colonies eventually renamed themselves to honor Benjamin Franklin. The Massachusetts Town of Franklin was the first and changed its name in 1778.

Norfolk County is the birthplace of four United States presidents: John Adams, John Quincy Adams, John Fitzgerald Kennedy and George Herbert Walker Bush.

In Holyoke, William G. Morgan, created a new game called "Mintonette" in 1895. After a demonstration given at the YMCA in nearby Springfield, the name "Mintonette" was replaced with the now familiar name "Volleyball."

There is a house in Rockport built entirely of newspaper.

Hingham's Derby Academy founded in 1784 is the oldest co-educational school in the United States. Hingham's First Parish Old Ship Church is the oldest church structure in the United States in continuous use as a place of worship.

The Fig Newton was named after Newton, Massachusetts.

The visible portion of Plymouth Rock is a lumpy fragment of glacial moraine about the size of a coffee table, with the date 1620 cut into its surface. After being broken, dragged about the town of Plymouth by ox teams used to inspire Revolution-aries, and reverently gouged and scraped by 19th-century souvenir hunters, it is now at rest near the head of Plymouth Harbor.

The Basketball Hall Of Fame is located in Springfield.

James Michael Curley was the first mayor of Boston to have an automobile. The plate number was "576" - the number of letters in "James Michael Curley." The mayor of Boston's official car still uses the same number on its plate.

The American industrial revolution began in Lowell. Lowell was America's first planned industrial city.

On October 1, 1998, "Say Hello To Someone From Massachusetts" by Lenny Gomulka, was approved as the official polka of the Commonwealth.

1634: Boston Common became the first public park in America.

1891: The first basketball game was played in Springfield.

Massachusetts holds the two largest cities in New England, Boston, the largest, and Worcester.

The creation of the Cape Cod National Seashore, which was formerly private town and state owned land, marked the first time the federal government purchased land for a park.

Robert Goddard, inventor of the first liquid fueled rocket, was born and lived much of his life in Worcester and launched the first rocket fueled with liquid fuel from the

neighboring town of Auburn.

Quincy boasts the first Dunkin Donuts on Hancock Street and the first Howard Johnson's on Newport Ave.

Glaciers formed the islands of Nantucket and Martha's Vineyard during the ice age.

The first U.S.Postal zip code in Massachusetts is 01001 at Agawam.

Brewster has become the de facto "Wedding Capital of Cape Cod" because of its many small and larger inns that cater to weddings.

The birth control pill was invented at Clark University in Worcester.

The signs along the Massachusetts Turnpike reading "x miles to Boston" refer to the distance from that point to the gold dome of the state house.

Harvard was the first college established in North America. Harvard was founded in 1636. Because of Harvard's size there is no universal mailing address that will work for every office at the University.

In 1838 the Boston & West Worcester Railroad was the first railroad to charge commuter fares.

The Boston University Bridge on Commonwealth Avenue in Boston is the only place in the world where a boat can sail under a train driving under a car driving under an airplane.

The Mather school was founded in Dorchester in 1639. It is the first public elementary school in America.

On top of the commercial building on Centre Street in Jamaica Plain sits a weather vane with a whale on it. The building was once state headquarters of Greenpeace. - "Save the whales"

John Adams and John Quincy Adams are buried in the crypt at the United First Parish Church in Quincy.

The Children's Museum in Boston displays a giant milk bottle on the museum's wharf. If it were real it would hold 50,000 gallons of milk and 8,620 gallons of cream.

Princeton was named after the Reverend Thomas Prince, Pastor of the Old South Church in Boston, and one of the first proprietors of the town. Princeton was incorporated in 1759.

Barnstable County is the only Massachusetts county where resident deaths out numbered births between 1990 and 1997.

The Pilgrim National Wax Museum in Plymouth is the only wax museum devoted entirely to the Pilgrim's story.

In 1908, Miss Caroline O. Emmerton purchased The House of the Seven Gables - built in 1668 - restored it to its present state and, in 1910, opened the site to the touring public. The seven-gabled house inspired Nathaniel Hawthorne to write his famous novel of the same name.

The Boston Tea Party reenactment takes place in Boston Harbor every December 16th.

Balance Rock in Lanesborough is named in honor of a 25' x 15' x 10 boulder that balances upon a small stone below it.

Massachusetts first began issuing drivers licenses and registration plates in June of 1903.

The 3rd Monday in April is a legal holiday in Massachusetts called Patriot's Day.

The first Thanksgiving Day was celebrated in Plymouth in 1621.

William Hill Brown published The Power of Sympathy in Worcester in 1789. An imitation of Goethe's Sorrows of Young Werther it is regarded as the first American novel.

The fourteen counties in Massachusetts are made up of 43 cities and 308 towns.

Charles Goodyear in Woburn first vulcanized rubber in 1839.

Elias Howe of Boston invented the first sewing machine in 1845.

The first nuclear-powered surface vessel, USS Long Beach CG (N) 9, was launched at Quincy in 1961.

The USS Constitution 'Old Ironsides', the oldest fully commissioned vessel in the US Navy is permanently berthed at

Charlestown Navy Yard. Since 1897 the ship has been overhauled several times in Dry Dock 1.

Revere Beach was the first public beach in the United States and is host to Suffolk Downs horse racing track, Wonderland dog racing track and a 14-screen cinema complex.

The official state dessert of Massachusetts is Boston cream pie.

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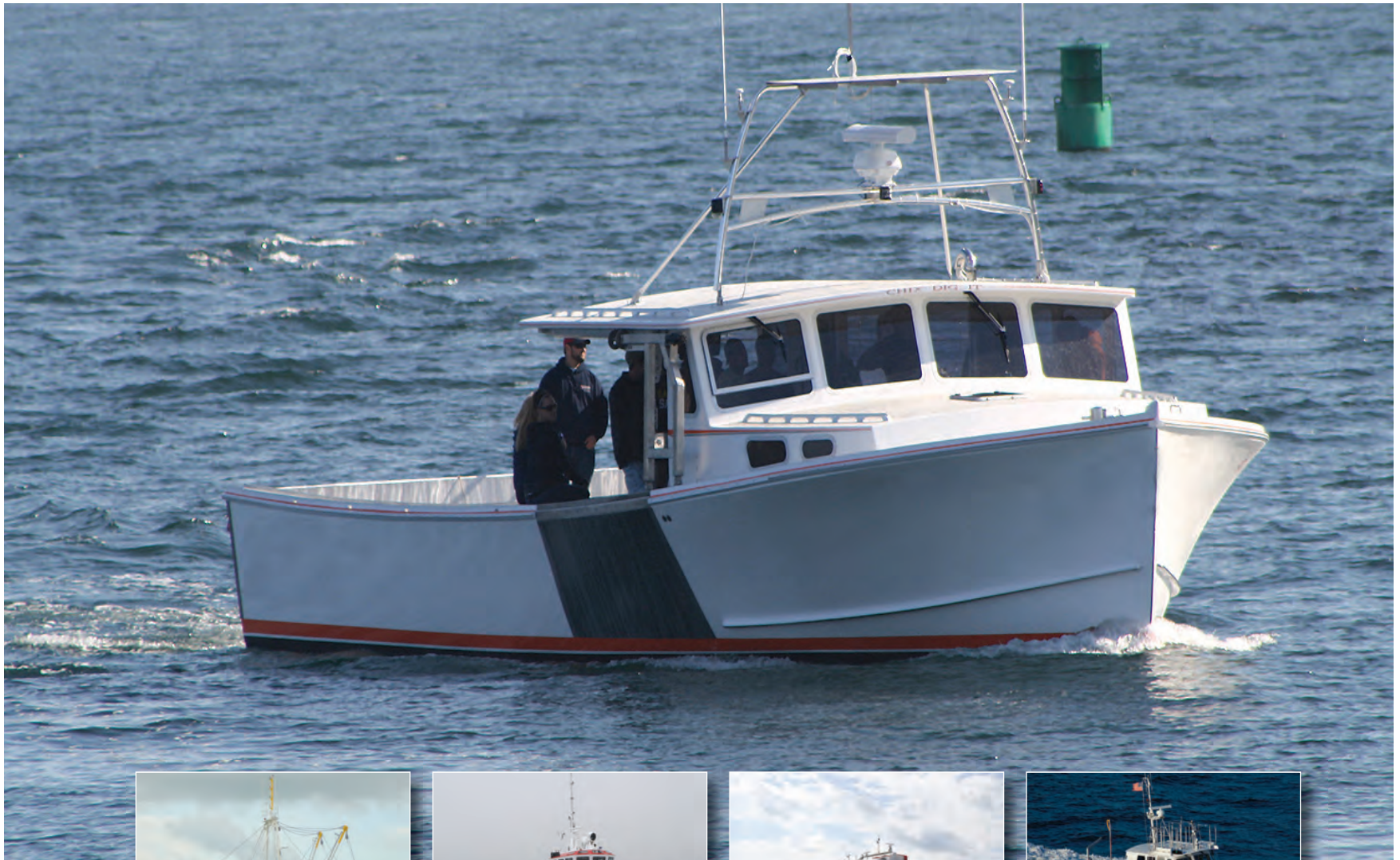
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