



Expert Panel

- Mike Armstrong
- Meredith Bartron
- Matt Cieri
- Katie Drew
- Steve Gephard
- Adrian Jordaan
- John Kocik
- Eric Palkovacs
- Theo Willis
- Kevin Sullivan



Meeting Purpose

- Gather data and information from resource professionals and the public to help NMFS make an informed decision on stock structure of Alewives and Blueback herring

AGENDA:

- 9 a.m. Welcome, Introductions, Ground Rules, Goals of Meeting (Alison Bowden, TNC)
- 9:10 a.m. Background on the river herring petition and ESA listing process (Tara Trinko Lake)
- 9:30 a.m. How NFMS will use stock structure information and examples of stock structure (Kim Damon-Randall and John Kocik)
- 9:50 a.m. Overview presentation of ASMFC stock assessment (Katie Drew)
- 10:05 a.m. Invited expert panel presentations
- 11:05 a.m. Break



- 11:15 a.m. Continue presentations
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- 11:35 a.m. Recap of Stock Structure Working Group Meeting (Dan Kircheis)
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- 12 p.m. Lunch on your own
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- 1:15 p.m. Public contributions (*time limit TBD*)
 - Presentation of evidence that suggests the presence or absence of stock structure in alewife and blueback herring populations not included in previous discussions
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Ground Rules

- Please sign up to speak. If you do not want to speak, you can leave a written statement, or write your comments on the index cards provided outside the door.
- Be constructive
- Focus on stock structure

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Review of the agenda