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**STELLWAGEN BANK NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY (SBNMS)**  
**70th ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAC) MEETING AGENDA**  
**February 14, 2024 9 am – 12:30 pm EDT**

Please Register [Online](#) in Advance

*The Advisory Council may take action on any of the items on the agenda.*

**8:30 – 9:00**      **Preparation:** Attendees log into Google Meet, test Technology.

**9:00 – 9:05**      **Welcome** (C. McGuire)

**9:05 - 9:10**      **Public Comment**

**9:10 - 9:30**      **Sanctuary and SAC Administration**

- Review & approve 69th SAC Meeting Minutes (L. Lilly)
- Staff updates (P.DeCola)
- Executive Committee report (C. McGuire)
- 2024 Recruitment schedule (A.Stratton)
- May SAC Meeting (A. Stratton)

**9:30 - 10:30 FY24 Planning**

- Budget Update (P.DeCola)
- Management plan implementation (P.DeCola)
- SAC Work Plan (C. McGuire)
- SAC Subcommittees (C. McGuire)
- SAC Charter Revision (C. McGuire / A. Stratton)

**10:30 - 10:40 Break**

**10:40 - 11:25 Staff and SAC Project Updates.**

- Offshore Wind Updates
  - Staff Coordination with BOEM & NCCOS (A. Stratton)
  - Sanctuary Mapping Initiative (B. Haskell)
  - SAC Wind Energy Subcommittee (C. McGuire)
- New England Fishery Management Council (NEMFC) Coordination (P. DeCola/S. Tolken/J. Couture)
- SS PORTLAND Symposium (B. Haskell)
- Update on Climate Vulnerability Assessment (L. Waters)

**11:25 - 12:00**      **Discussion on Agency/Governmental Written Reports**

- MA Coastal Zone Management (T. Callaghan)
- MA Division of Marine Fisheries (K. Whitmore)
- Enforcement Reports
  - US Coast Guard (CAPT J. Frederick)
  - NOAA Office of Law Enforcement (M. Henry);
  - MA Environmental Police (CAPT C. Baker)
- New England Fishery Management Council (C.O'Keefe / J. Couture)
- NOAA Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office (C. Bari)

**12:00 - 12:15 Round Robin, Discussion on SAC Member Written Reports (C. McGuire)**

Announcements, activity reports from individual SAC member work plans as time allows. Members can also send email announcements/reports for the SAC Coordinator to send to all SAC members. Please also send short written reports in advance. In future, identify a few each session to highlight.

**12:15 - 12:20 Old and New Business (C. McGuire)**

**12:20 -12:25 Public Comment**

**12:30 Adjourn**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Next SAC Meeting: May 2024, in person