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## **51<sup>st</sup> SANCTUARY ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA**

**Plymouth Yacht Club – 34 Union Street, Plymouth**

**October 11, 2017 9:30 am – 3:00 pm**

- 9:30 Welcome New SAC Members** (H. Knowles)  
**Review of Agenda and Approval of 50<sup>th</sup> SAC Meeting Minutes** (H. Knowles)
- 9:45 – 10:15 SAC Business** (B. Haskell)
- i. SAC Recruitment (1-31 May 2017; 1-30 Nov 17) and New Recruitment Process
  - ii. 2018 SAC Meetings
  - iii. SBNMS Personnel Updates
  - iv. FY18 Staff and SAC Work Plan
- 10:15 – 11:00 Sanctuary Updates**
- i. Atlantic Link HVDC Cable (A. Stratton)
  - ii. Scallop Fishing Impacts on Wreck Site (B. Haskell)
  - iii. Mid-Water/Pair Trawling Update (B. Haskell)
  - iv. Get Into Your Sanctuary Report (A. Smrcina)
  - v. SBNMS 25th Anniversary (B. Haskell/A. Smrcina)
  - vi. Marine Mammal Protected Area Photography Permit (B.Haskell)
  - vii. Economic Surveys for Research and Whale Watching (B. Haskell)
- 11:00-12:00 SAC Updates**
- i. Council “Round-Robin” (H. Knowles)
  - ii. Management Plan Subcommittee and Timeline (R. Delaney/B. Haskell)
  - iii. Condition Report Update (B. Barr, ONMS/B. Haskell)
  - iv. Small Boat Interactions Working Group: Report (L. Howes)
  - v. Capitol Hill Ocean Week: Report on Meetings with Representatives, and Take-Aways (K. Powers)
- 12:00 – 12:30 Constituent Report**  
North Atlantic Right Whale Update (R. Delaney)
- 12:30 – 1:30 SAC Networking Lunch**
- 1:30 – 2:00 Sanctuary Science:** Great Shearwater Tagging Project (K. Powers)
- 2:00 – 2:30 Agency/Governmental Reports**
- i. MA Coastal Zone Management (T. Callaghan)
  - ii. MA Division of Marine Fisheries (D. Pierce)
  - iii. Enforcement Reports: NOAA Office of Law Enforcement and MA Environmental Police (T. Donovan/LT P. Desroches)
  - iv. New England Fishery Management Council (NEFMC) (M. Bachman)
  - v. NOAA Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office (J. Anderson)
- 2:30 – 2:45 New Business**  
**2:45 – 3:00 Public Comment**  
**3:00 pm ADJOURN**

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