

## 2023-2024 MAFMC Committees

Council Chair, Vice-Chair, and Regional Administrator are ex officio members of all committees.

### Species Committees

<p><b>Summer Flounder, Scup, Black Sea Bass</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adam Nowalsky, Chair</li> <li>Chris Batsavage, Vice-Chair</li> <li>Bob Beal</li> <li>Joe Cimino</li> <li>Maureen Davidson</li> <li>Michelle Duval</li> <li>Dan Farnham</li> <li>Skip Feller</li> <li>Joseph Grist</li> <li>Sonny Gwin</li> <li>LCDR Matt Kahley</li> <li>Scott Lenox</li> <li>Ken Neill</li> <li>Paul Risi</li> <li>Robert Ruhle</li> <li>Tom Schlichter</li> <li>Sara Winslow</li> <li>Richard Wong</li> <li>Jay Hermsen (GARFO)</li> </ul> <p>NEFMC Members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rick Bellavance</li> <li>Matthew Gates (Designee for Peter Arrestad)</li> <li>Eric Reid</li> </ul> <p>Staff Contacts: Kiley Dancy, Julia Beaty, Hannah Hart</p>	<p><b>Mackerel, Squid, Butterfish</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Peter Hughes, Chair</li> <li>Sara Winslow, Vice-Chair</li> <li>Joe Cimino</li> <li>Michelle Duval</li> <li>Dan Farnham</li> <li>LCDR Matt Kahley</li> <li>Kris Kuhn</li> <li>Ken Neill</li> <li>Adam Nowalsky</li> <li>Robert Ruhle</li> <li>Emily Gilbert (GARFO)</li> </ul> <p>NEFMC Members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Melanie Griffin</li> <li>Eric Reid</li> </ul> <p>Staff Contacts: Jason Didden, Julia Beaty</p>	<p><b>River Herring and Shad</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sara Winslow, Chair</li> <li>____, Vice-Chair</li> <li>Chris Batsavage</li> <li>Bob Beal</li> <li>Maureen Davidson</li> <li>Michelle Duval</li> <li>Joseph Grist</li> <li>Peter Hughes</li> <li>Kris Kuhn</li> <li>Robert Ruhle</li> <li>Richard Wong</li> <li>Emily Gilbert (GARFO)</li> </ul> <p>NEFMC Members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Megan Ware (Designee for Patrick Keliher)</li> <li>Ben Gahagan (Designee for Dan McKiernan)</li> </ul> <p>Staff Contact: Jason Didden</p>
<p><b>Surfclam and Ocean Quahog</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Peter Hughes, Chair</li> <li>Maureen Davidson, Vice-Chair</li> <li>Joe Cimino</li> <li>Sonny Gwin</li> <li>Richard Wong</li> <li>Jay Hermsen (GARFO)</li> </ul> <p>Staff Contacts: Jessica Coakley, José Montañez</p>	<p><b>Tilefish</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Skip Feller, Chair</li> <li>Joe Cimino, Vice-Chair</li> <li>Dan Farnham</li> <li>Sonny Gwin</li> <li>Scott Lenox</li> <li>Ken Neill</li> <li>Adam Nowalsky</li> <li>Tom Schlichter</li> <li>Richard Wong</li> <li>Jay Hermsen (GARFO)</li> </ul> <p>Staff Contacts: José Montañez, Hannah Hart</p>	<p><b>Bluefish</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maureen Davidson, Chair</li> <li>Joe Cimino, Vice-Chair</li> <li>Chris Batsavage</li> <li>Bob Beal</li> <li>Joseph Grist</li> <li>Scott Lenox</li> <li>Ken Neill</li> <li>Adam Nowalsky</li> <li>Paul Risi</li> <li>Tom Schlichter</li> <li>Sara Winslow</li> <li>Richard Wong</li> <li>Jay Hermsen (GARFO)</li> </ul> <p>Staff Contact: Karson Cisneros</p>

<p><b>Joint Dogfish (MAFMC Lead)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sonny Gwin, Chair</li> <li>• Chris Batsavage</li> <li>• Bob Beal</li> <li>• Dan Farnham</li> <li>• Skip Feller</li> <li>• Joseph Grist</li> <li>• Adam Nowalsky</li> <li>• Richard Wong</li> <li>• Jay Hermsen (GARFO)</li> </ul> <p>NEFMC Members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nichola Meserve, Vice Chair (Designee for Dan McKiernan)</li> <li>• Mark Alexander</li> <li>• Rick Bellavance</li> <li>• Daniel Salerno</li> <li>• Alan Tracy</li> </ul> <p>Staff Contact: Jason Didden</p>	<p><b>Joint Monkfish (NEFMC Lead)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Peter Hughes, Vice-Chair</li> <li>• Dan Farnham</li> <li>• Paul Risi</li> <li>• Robert Ruhle</li> <li>• Peter Christopher (GARFO)</li> </ul> <p>NEFMC Members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Matthew Gates, Chair (Designee for Peter Aarrestad)</li> <li>• Eric Hansen</li> <li>• Kelly Whitmore (Designee for Dan McKiernan)</li> <li>• Jackie Odell</li> <li>• Scott Olszewski</li> <li>• John Pappalardo</li> <li>• Alan Tracy</li> </ul> <p>Staff Contact: Jason Didden</p>
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**Functional Committees**

<p><b>Ecosystem and Ocean Planning</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Michelle Duval, Chair</li> <li>• Tom Schlichter, Vice Chair</li> <li>• Bob Beal</li> <li>• Maureen Davidson</li> <li>• Joseph Grist</li> <li>• LCDR Matt Kahley</li> <li>• Scott Lenox</li> <li>• Adam Nowalsky</li> <li>• Robert Ruhle</li> <li>• Sara Winslow</li> <li>• Jay Hermsen (GARFO)</li> </ul> <p>Staff Contacts: Brandon Muffley, Jessica Coakley</p>	<p><b>Protected Resources</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chris Batsavage, Chair</li> <li>• Skip Feller, Vice-Chair</li> <li>• Joe Cimino</li> <li>• Maureen Davidson</li> <li>• Sonny Gwin</li> <li>• LCDR Matt Kahley</li> <li>• Ken Neill</li> <li>• Tom Schlichter</li> <li>• Sara Winslow</li> <li>• (GARFO)</li> </ul> <p>Staff Contact: Karson Cisneros</p>	<p><b>Research Steering</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Michelle Duval, Chair</li> <li>• Paul Risi, Vice-Chair</li> <li>• Chris Batsavage</li> <li>• Bob Beal</li> <li>• Joseph Grist</li> <li>• Adam Nowalsky</li> <li>• Robert Ruhle</li> <li>• Ryan Silva (GARFO)</li> </ul> <p>Staff Contact: Brandon Muffley</p>
<p><b>Law Enforcement</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joe Cimino, Chair</li> <li>• LCDR Matt Kahley, Vice-Chair</li> <li>• Skip Feller</li> <li>• Kris Kuhn</li> <li>• Scott Lenox</li> <li>• Paul Risi</li> <li>• Tom Schlichter</li> <li>• (GARFO)</li> </ul> <p>Staff Contact: José Montañez</p>	<p><b>Highly Migratory Species</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scott Lenox, Chair</li> <li>• LCDR Matt Kahley, Vice-Chair</li> <li>• Skip Feller</li> <li>• Sonny Gwin</li> <li>• Ken Neill</li> <li>• Paul Risi</li> <li>• Robert Ruhle</li> <li>• (GARFO)</li> </ul> <p>Staff Contact: Hannah Hart</p>	<p><b>Executive</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Wes Townsend, Chair</li> <li>• Mike Luisi, Vice-Chair</li> <li>• Chris Batsavage</li> <li>• Joe Cimino</li> <li>• Maureen Davidson</li> <li>• Michelle Duval</li> <li>• Skip Feller</li> <li>• Sonny Gwin</li> <li>• Peter Hughes</li> <li>• Scott Lenox</li> <li>• Adam Nowalsky</li> <li>• Sara Winslow</li> <li>• Moira Kelly (GARFO)</li> </ul> <p>Staff Contact: Chris Moore</p>

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**Other Jurisdictional Roles**

<b>New England Council</b>	<b>South Atlantic Council</b>	<b>Other</b>
Liaison <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Peter Hughes</li></ul> Ecosystems Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Michelle Duval</li><li>• Adam Nowalsky</li></ul> Groundfish Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dan Farnham</li><li>• Paul Risi</li></ul> Habitat Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Michelle Duval</li><li>• Peter Hughes</li></ul> Herring Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Peter Hughes</li><li>• Robert Ruhle</li></ul> Scallop Oversight Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Michelle Duval</li><li>• Peter Hughes</li></ul> Skate Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dan Farnham</li></ul> Whiting Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dan Farnham</li></ul>	Liaison <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Sonny Gwin</li><li>• Michelle Duval (Alternate)</li></ul> Snapper/Grouper Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Michelle Duval</li><li>• Sonny Gwin</li></ul> Dolphin/Wahoo Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Skip Feller</li><li>• Scott Lenox</li></ul> Mackerel/Cobia Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Skip Feller</li><li>• Joseph Grist</li></ul>	Northeast Trawl Advisory Panel <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dan Farnham</li><li>• Wes Townsend</li></ul>