Massachusetts River Herring Network Fifth Annual Meeting

Thursday October 15, 2015 10:30AM-4:00PM Pembroke Public Library 142 Center St, Pembroke, MA 02359

10:30AM Welcome & Introductions

10:45AM **Update on River Herring & American Eel Management Issues**Brad Chase, Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries

11:15AM Announcements

11:25 **Status & Trends of River Herring Runs in Massachusetts**John Sheppard, Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries

11:50 Update on Cape Cod Herring Counts

Jo Ann Muramoto, Association to Preserve Cape Cod and Mass Bays Program

12:10 Pizza Lunch Break

12:50 What's happening in the lakes? River herring spawn timing and juvenile density, growth, and mortality across 20 Massachusetts lakes

Allison Roy, **U.S.** Geological Survey, Massachusetts Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit

1:15PM – 2:00PM Discussion and Q&A Period

2:05PM Continued Portside Sampling and River Herring Bycatch Avoidance in the Mid-water trawl and Bottom trawl herring fisheries

Brad Schondelmeier, Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries

2:35 An Introduction to Pembroke's Herring Run

Bill Boulter, Pembroke Herring Fisheries Commission

2:50 Closing Comments

3:15PM **Field Trip to Herring Run Historic Park** – Meet at Parking Area on Route 14 (aka Barker St.)

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