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### **ASMFC Northern Shrimp Section to Meet to Consider Next Steps in Amendment 4 Development *Advisory Panel & Technical Committee to Discuss Industry-Based Research Program***

Arlington, VA – The Commission’s Northern Shrimp Advisory Panel (AP) and Section (Section) will meet on **September 12 and 13**, respectively, at the Doubletree by Hilton Portland, 363 Maine Mall Road, South Portland, Maine. The AP will meet with the Technical Committee on September 12 (1-4 p.m.) to further discuss options for an industry-based research program which could inform management decisions. The AP will also review public comment and provide input on the Public Information Document (PID) for Amendment 4 to the Interstate Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for Northern Shrimp. These meetings will be in-person only.

The Section will meet September 13 (9 a.m. – Noon) to review public comment and AP feedback on Amendment 4 PID and direct staff in the development of Draft Amendment 4, which will consider the establishment of a new management approach that would allow for the setting of a multiyear moratorium. The moratorium could be modified when a set of biological indicators shows the northern shrimp stock is at a population level that could to support a sustainable fishery. The Section will also review AP and Technical Committee discussions regarding an industry-based research program. Meeting materials are available at

[https://asmfc.org/files/Meetings/NShrimpAP\\_Section\\_Materials\\_September2024.pdf](https://asmfc.org/files/Meetings/NShrimpAP_Section_Materials_September2024.pdf).

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