

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Institute of Standards and Technology****Standards and Performance Metrics for On-Road Autonomous Vehicles: Workshop**

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice; Public Workshop.

**SUMMARY:** The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) will be hosting a virtual workshop on the development of Standards and Performance Metrics for On-Road Autonomous Vehicles on March 8–9, 2022. During this two-day event, attendees will have an opportunity to actively provide feedback in facilitated discussions regarding technical focus areas for NIST to develop standards, measurement science, and performance metrics for on-road autonomous vehicle technology. NIST will release a discussion draft that addresses the following technology areas: Artificial Intelligence, Cybersecurity, Communication, Perception, Infrastructure, and Safety, prior to the workshop. NIST will use stakeholder feedback from the workshop to revise the discussion draft.

**DATES:** The workshop will begin on March 8, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. Eastern Time, and will adjourn on March 9, 2022, at 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time. Registration will be open until midnight on March 7, 2022, or until registration reaches capacity.

**ADDRESSES:** The workshop will be held virtually via webinar. For instructions on how to participate in the workshop, please see the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For questions about this workshop contact: Vinh Nguyen, U.S. Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), 100 Bureau Drive, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, telephone (301) 975–2455, email [autonomousvehicles@nist.gov](mailto:autonomousvehicles@nist.gov). Please direct media inquiries to NIST's Office of Public Affairs at (301) 975–2762.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Registration**

The workshop schedule and registration information are posted online at: <https://www.nist.gov/news-events/events/2022/03/standards-and-performance-metrics-road-autonomous-vehicles>.

**Engagement**

Other opportunities to engage in the development of standards and performance metrics in autonomous vehicles will be posted on the NIST Autonomous Vehicles web page as they become available (<https://www.nist.gov/programs-projects/nist-and-autonomous-vehicles>), and will be announced through the NIST Autonomous Vehicles mailing list (<https://groups.google.com/a/list.nist.gov/g/autonomousvehicles>).

**Objectives**

On-road autonomous vehicles are projected to influence key aspects of everyday life including transportation, goods delivery, manufacturing, public safety, and security. However, autonomous vehicles can pose a risk in the event of unexpected system performance. Goals of this workshop include the following:

- Solicit stakeholder feedback to identify key areas where NIST can develop standards and performance metrics to help advance the autonomous vehicle field.
- Foster a multidisciplinary community consisting of stakeholders from a variety of disciplines and domains in autonomous vehicles.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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**East Coast Fisheries of the United States; Request for Comments**

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings via webinar.

**SUMMARY:** Several fishery management bodies on the East Coast of the U.S. are convening three public webinars to continue work on an initiative called *East Coast Climate Change Scenario Planning*. This is a joint effort of the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC), the New England Fishery Management Council (NEFMC), the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC), the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (SAFMC), and NOAA Fisheries. The focus of the webinars will be to explore the key drivers of change that could shape East Coast fisheries over the next 20 years. There will be opportunity for questions and engagement from the public as well as a brief update on this multi-year initiative.

**DATES:** These webinars will be held on Monday, February 14, 2022, at 3 p.m.–4:30 p.m.; Wednesday, February 23, 2022, at 3 p.m.–4:30 p.m.; and Wednesday, March 2, 2022, at 3 p.m.–4:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meetings will be held via webinar.

All meeting participants and interested parties are asked to register for each webinar individually from this website: <https://www.mafmc.org/climate-change-scenario-planning>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465–0492.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Background:* Climate change is a growing threat to marine fisheries worldwide. On the East coast of the United States, there is evidence of climate-related changes in distribution, abundance, and/or productivity of fishery resources. It is uncertain what the next couple of decades will bring, and how fishery management programs can best prepare to meet the challenges ahead. Over the next year, this joint effort will bring together researchers, fishery managers, fishery participants and others to discuss these questions and emerge with ideas and recommendations for how fishery management can potentially adapt to climate change.

The management bodies in this region have decided to employ a scenario planning framework to discuss these issues. Scenario planning is a way of exploring how fishery management may need to evolve over the next few decades as climate change becomes a