

trap/pot”, “Gulf of Maine, U.S. mid-Atlantic inshore lobster trap/pot”,

“Atlantic Ocean, Gulf of Mexico blue crab trap/pot”, and U.S. South Atlantic,

Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean spiny lobster trap/pot are corrected to read as follows:

TABLE 2.—PROPOSED LIST OF FISHERIES  
[Commercial Fisheries in the Atlantic Ocean, Gulf of Mexico, and Caribbean]

Description of fishery	Estimated No. of vessels/persons	Marine mammal species/stocks involved
Atlantic Ocean, Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico swordfish, tuna, shark drift gillnet .....	75	32*+, 33*+, 38*+, 49, 50*, 51*, 52, 54*, 57, 58, 59*.
New England multispecies sink gillnet .....	341	32*+, 33*+, 36, 50*, 51*, 52, 61, 62, 63.
*Gulf of Maine, U.S. mid-Atlantic mixed species trap/pot .....	100	32*+, 33*+, 36, 61*, 62, 63.
Gulf of Maine, U.S. mid-Atlantic inshore lobster trap/pot .....	10,613	32*+, 33*+, 36, 52, 62.
Atlantic Ocean, Gulf of Mexico blue crab trap/pot .....	20,500	32*+, 73, 74, 75, 153*+.
U.S. South Atlantic, Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean spiny lobster trap/pot .....	736	32*+, 73, 74, 75, 153*.

3a. On page 31685, in the key to Tables 1 and 2 the following entries are corrected to read as follows:

**SPECIES AND STOCK CODES FOR MARINE MAMMALS OCCURRING IN U.S. WATERS**

[Some, but not all stocks listed are taken in the course of commercial fishing operations]

Code	Common name	Stock designation
1 .....	Steller sea lion ...	Western U.S.*+.
2 .....	Steller sea lion ...	Eastern U.S.*+.
*	*	*
26 ....	Humpback whale	Western North Pacific*+.
27 ....	Humpback whale	Central North Pacific*+.
28 ....	Fin whale .....	N. Pacific*+.
*	*	*
29 ....	Northern right whale.	North Pacific*+.
31 ....	Bowhead whale ..	Western Arctic Stock*+.
32 ....	North Atlantic right whale.	Western North Atlantic*+.
33 ....	Humpback whale	Western North Atlantic*+.
34 ....	Fin whale .....	Western North Atlantic*+.
35 ....	Sei whale .....	Western North Atlantic*+.
*	*	*
37 ....	Blue whale .....	Western North Atlantic*+.
38 ....	Sperm whale .....	Western North Atlantic*+.

**SPECIES AND STOCK CODES FOR MARINE MAMMALS OCCURRING IN U.S. WATERS—Continued**

[Some, but not all stocks listed are taken in the course of commercial fishing operations]

Code	Common name	Stock designation
*	*	*
66 ....	Sperm whale .....	Northern Gulf of Mexico*+.
92 ....	Sperm whale .....	California to Washington*+.
93 ....	Humpback whale	California/Mexico*+.
94 ....	Blue whale .....	California/Mexico*+.
95 ....	Fin whale .....	California to Washington*+.
*	*	*
97 ....	Sei whale .....	Eastern North Pacific*+.
*	*	*
120 ..	Blue whale .....	Hawaii*+.
121 ..	Fin whale .....	Hawaii*+.
*	*	*
135 ..	Sperm whale .....	Hawaii*+.
*	*	*
145 ..	Hawaiian monk seal.	Hawaii*+.
153 ..	Florida manatee .	Florida*+.
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3b. On page 31687, at the end of the key to Tables 1 and 2 the following footnotes are added:

\*Strategic stock.

+Stock listed as threatened or endangered under the Endangered Species Act.

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**50 CFR Chapter VI**

[I.D. 071095A]

**South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Hearings**

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Public hearings.

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold public hearings to solicit comments on management measures for a new Fishery Management Plan for Golden Crab (FMP).

**DATES:** Written comments regarding the issues being discussed at the hearings will be accepted through August 18, 1995.

The hearings are scheduled as follows:

1. Tuesday, August 1, 1995, 7.00 p.m., Cocoa Beach, FL;
2. Wednesday, August 2, 1995, 7.00 p.m., Fort Lauderdale, FL;
3. Thursday, August 3, 1995, 7.00 p.m., Marathon, FL; and

4. Monday, August 7, 1995, 7.00 p.m., Charleston, SC.

**ADDRESSES:** To send comments, and to request copies of public hearing documents, write to: Robert K. Mahood, Executive Director, South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, One Southpark Circle, Suite 306, Charleston, SC 29407-4699. The hearings will be held at the following locations:

1. Cocoa Beach—Holiday Inn, 1300 N. Atlantic Avenue, Cocoa Beach, FL 32931; telephone (407) 783-2271;

2. Fort Lauderdale—Sheraton Design Center Hotel, 1825 Griffin Road, Dania, FL 33004; telephone (305) 920-3500;

3. Marathon—Hawk's Cay Resort, MM61, Duck Key, FL 33050; telephone (305) 743-7000; and

4. Charleston—Town and Country Inn, 2008 Savannah Highway, Charleston, SC 29407; telephone (803) 571-1000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sharon Coste, (803) 571-4366; Fax: (803) 769-4520.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Increasing interest in fishing opportunities for golden crab has prompted the Council to consider management of this species along the U.S. Atlantic coast from the tip of Key West on the east coast of Florida to the North Carolina/Virginia border. Other deep-water crabs, such as red crab and jonah crab, are included in the FMP for data collection purposes only. No management actions are planned for these species under the initial FMP. Although all three species of crab are harvested in the exclusive economic zone off the Gulf of Mexico and the Atlantic coast, the Council believes that the species are sufficiently separated from one another to be managed independently. The following types of management measures are under consideration by the Council:

(1) Definition of terms, including: Optimum yield, overfishing, and crustacean trap;

(2) Gear controls, including: Use of traps only and a limit on their size, requirements for trap escape gaps, and degradable escape panels;

(3) Effort limitations, including: Quotas ranging from 100,000 to 5,000,000 lb (45,359 to 2,267,962 kg) live weight, which may differ by subarea, limited access with mechanisms (i.e. fees) for recovering incurred administrative costs, restrictions on the number of traps/pots per vessel ranging from 100 to 1,000 traps/pots per vessel, and, trip limits of 10,000 lb (4,536 kg) live weight or 5,000 lb (2,268 kg) butchered;

(4) Crab size/sex restrictions, including: Minimum size limits of 4 and

3/4 inch (12 cm) carapace width and no retention of females;

(5) Area restrictions, including: Limiting use of traps to depths of 900 ft (274 m) or greater;

(6) Bait restrictions to protect snapper and grouper;

(7) Enforcement provisions, including: Vessel permits, trap identification tags, vessel location transponders, and dealer permits;

(8) Collection of information requirements for science and research purposes, such as use of information from sales reports, and logbook requirements, and;

(9) Framework procedures to provide administrative flexibility to change management measures in a timely manner.

The Council plans to finalize the FMP at the Council meeting in Charleston, SC, from August 21 to 25, 1995. The public will have an opportunity to comment at the full Council session before the options are approved. Once finalized, the FMP will be submitted to the Secretary of Commerce for review. Also, NMFS will provide a 45-day formal written comment period during the 110-day review period.

The Council hearings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office by July 18, 1995 (see **ADDRESSES**).

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: July 12, 1995.

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### **50 CFR Part 661**

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### **Ocean Salmon Fisheries Off the Coasts of Washington, Oregon, and California; Closure**

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Closure.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS announces that the recreational salmon fishery in the area from Humbug Mountain, OR, to Horse Mountain, CA, was closed at midnight, July 1, 1995. The Director, Northwest Region, NMFS (Regional Director),

determined that the recreational quota of 10,600 chinook salmon for the area had nearly been reached. This action was necessary to conform to the preseason announcement of the 1995 management measures and was intended to ensure conservation of chinook salmon.

**DATES:** Effective at 2400 hours local time, July 1, 1995, until August 16, 1995. Comments will be accepted through August 3, 1995.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be mailed to William Stelle, Jr., Director, Northwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 7600 Sand Point Way NE., BIN C15700-Bldg. 1, Seattle, WA 98115-0070; or Hilda Diaz-Soltero, Director, Southwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 501 W. Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213. Information relevant to this document has been compiled in aggregate form and is available for public review during business hours at the office of the NMFS Northwest Regional Director.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** William L. Robinson, 206-526-6140, or Rodney R. McInnis, 310-980-4030.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Regulations governing the ocean salmon fisheries at 50 CFR 661.21(a)(1) state:

When a quota for the commercial or the recreational fishery, or both, for any salmon species in any portion of the fishery management area is projected by the Regional Director to be reached on or by a certain date, the Secretary will, by notice issued under § 661.23, close the commercial or recreational fishery, or both, for all salmon species in the portion of the fishery management area to which the quota applies as of the date the quota is projected to be reached.

In the annual management measures for ocean salmon fisheries (60 FR 21746, May 3, 1995), NMFS announced that the 1995 recreational fishery in the area between Humbug Mountain, OR, and Horse Mountain, CA, would open on May 17 and continue through July 8 or attainment of the 10,600 chinook salmon quota, whichever occurs first, with the fishery open Wednesday through Saturday only.

The best available information on July 3 indicated that recreational catches in the area totaled 10,137 chinook salmon through Saturday, July 1, the most recent open period. Based on catch and effort rates, NMFS determined that insufficient fish remained in the chinook salmon quota for another day's fishing. Accordingly, in order to avoid exceeding the quota on the next opening, NMFS determined not to reopen the fishery on Wednesday, July 5, its next scheduled opening.