

whiting, squid and scup trawl, summer flounder trawl and possibly other fisheries that operate in the Gulf of Maine, Southern New England, and Mid-Atlantic regions. The Councils are also asking for recommendations on a minimum mesh size for the monkfish limited access fishery.

**DATES:** The meetings will be held on July 19, 1995, at 10:00 a.m., on July 25, 1995, at 10:00 a.m., and on August 3, 1995, at 10:00 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The July 19 meeting will be held at the Days Inn, 332 Milliken Boulevard, Fall River, MA; telephone: (508) 676-1991. The July 25 meeting will be held at the Ocean Place Hilton, One Ocean Boulevard, Long Branch, NJ; telephone: (908) 571-4000. The August 3 meeting will be held at the Urban Forestry Center, 45 Elwyn Road, Portsmouth, NH; telephone: (603) 431-6774.

**Council addresses:** New England Fishery Management Council; 5 Broadway; Saugus, MA 01906-1097; Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, Room 2115, Federal Building, 300 South New Street, Dover, DE 18804-6790.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Douglas G. Marshall, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (617) 231-0422. David R. Keifer, Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; telephone: (302) 674-2331.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of these meetings is to develop industry consensus on possible trip limits for monkfish taken in a number of Gulf of Maine, Southern New England, and Mid-Atlantic fisheries. The intent of the measures would be to allow fishermen to land monkfish catches when they target other species and to prevent large numbers of fishermen from specifically targeting monkfish. The Councils also are asking fishermen involved in the trawl and gillnet fisheries to recommend a minimum mesh size for fishermen targeting monkfish. A larger mesh size would, in certain areas, limit the catch and discards of groundfish and could provide greater selectivity benefits for monkfish.

### Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids for the July 25 and August 3 meetings should be directed to Douglas G. Marshall or David R. Keifer (see **ADDRESSES**), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: July 14, 1995.

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#### Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold its 87th meeting.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on August 8-10, 1995. The Council's standing committees will meet on August 8, beginning at 8:00 a.m. The full Council will meet on August 9-10, beginning at 8:30 a.m., each day. The Council will solicit testimony on alternative management measures for the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands (NWHI) lobster fishery at approximately 1:30 p.m. on August 9. Also, on August 9, the Council will hold a Fishermen's Forum at approximately 3:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Makaha, Waianae, Oahu, HI.

**Council Address:** Western Pacific Fishery Management Council, 1164 Bishop St., Suite 1405, Honolulu, HI 96813.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director, Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone (808) 522-8220.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Council will discuss and may take action on the following agenda items:

1. Reports from the islands;
2. Reports from fishery agencies and organizations;
3. Enforcement, including U.S. Coast Guard activities, NMFS activities, proposed 5th Vessel Monitoring Systems Technical Consultation;
4. Status of violations;
5. Crustaceans, including experimental fishing, alternative management program for the (NWHI) (NOTE: public comments on this item will be treated as testimony at a public hearing), analysis of model for quota setting procedures, and time table for Amendment 9;
6. Fishermen's Forum;
7. Ecosystems and Habitat, including longline observer quarterly report,

requested Section 7 consultation regarding turtles and longlines, Hawaiian Islands humpback whale sanctuary, and coral reef management planning considerations;

8. Pelagics, including longline permit actions, observer program funding, 1994 annual report and recommendations, longline quarterly report, bycatch, request for single council designation, and draft Biological and Oceanographic Research Plan;

9. Bottomfish, including summary of 1994 annual report and recommendations, State of Hawaii initiative to manage main Hawaiian islands bottomfish, implementation of new NWHI catch reporting system, and reconsideration of NWHI management system;

10. Native Rights and Indigenous Fishing, including Magnuson Act amendments, State of Hawaii Molokai subsistence fishing demonstration project, and Kahoolawe ocean management plan;

11. Program Planning, including joint Interior-Commerce working group to review Federal policy in the Pacific, Magnuson Act Reauthorization, S-K proposals, Western Pacific Fisheries Information Network, Council public education outreach program;

12. Administrative Matters; and

13. Other business as required.

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, 808-522-8220 (voice) or 808-522-8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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#### Endangered Species; Permits

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

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of a permit application, and issuance of permit 971 and modification 1 to permit 930.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Dr. David Owens of Texas A&M University (P531A) has applied in due form for a permit to take listed sea turtles for the purpose of scientific research. Notice is also given that NMFS issued Permit