

by the Secretary of Commerce. The purpose of this meeting is to review the 1996 Award applications and to select applications to be considered in the site visit stage of the evaluation. The applications under review contain trade secrets and proprietary commercial information submitted to the Government in confidence.

DATES: The meeting will convene August 7, 1996, at 8:00 a.m. and adjourn at 5:00 p.m. on August 7, 1996. The entire meeting will be closed.

ADDRESS: The meeting will be held at the National Institute of Standards and Technology, Administration Building, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Harry Hertz, Director for Quality Programs, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899, telephone number (301) 975-2361.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Assistant Secretary for Administration, with the concurrence of the General Counsel, formally determined on March 29, 1996, that the meeting of the Panel of Judges will be closed pursuant to Section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. app. 2, as amended by Section 5(c) of the Government in the Sunshine Act, P.L. 94-409. The meeting, which involves examination of records and discussion of Award applicant data, may be closed to the public in accordance with Section 552b(c)(4) of Title 5, United States Code, since the meeting is likely to disclose trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential.

Dated: July 11, 1996.

Samuel Kramer,
Associate Director.

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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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 Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Northern Habitat Panel will hold a public meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on July 30, 1996, beginning at 10 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Conference Center of the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission, 6700 Martin Way East, Olympia, WA; telephone: (360) 438-1180.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 2130 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 224, Portland, OR 97201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Coon, Fishery Management Coordinator (Salmon); telephone: (503) 326-6352.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this meeting is to discuss and develop recommendations for Council action on regional fishery habitat issues which merit consideration at this time.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Eric Greene at (503) 326-6352 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: July 11, 1996.

Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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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 Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene a public meeting of its salmon stock review team for Puget Sound chinook and Strait of Juan de Fuca coho salmon stocks.

DATES: The meeting will be held on July 31, 1996, beginning at 10 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Conference Center of the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission, 6700 Martin Way East, Olympia, WA; telephone: (360) 438-1180.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 2130 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 224, Portland, OR 97201.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Coon, Fishery Management Coordinator (Salmon); telephone: (503) 326-6352.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this meeting is to complete a review of the status of some Puget Sound chinook and Strait of Juan de

Fuca coho stocks as required under the Council's salmon fishery management plan when a stock fails to meet its spawning escapement objective for 3 consecutive years.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Eric W. Greene at (503) 326-6352 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: July 11, 1996.

Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

Notice of Intent to Prepare An Environmental Impact Statement Concerning Interim Storage of Plutonium at the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of Intent.

SUMMARY: The Department of Energy (DOE) announces its intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), in accordance with the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of NEPA and the DOE NEPA implementing regulations. DOE has identified a need to provide safe interim storage of approximately 10 metric tons of plutonium at the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site (RFETS). The plutonium at RFETS is in the form of both metals (including plutonium-bearing weapons components known as "pits") and oxides. The 10 metric ton amount includes the current plutonium inventory at RFETS as well as the additional inventory projected to be generated from future processing of plutonium residues into more stable forms suitable for safe storage. DOE intends to prepare an EIS to evaluate the potential environmental impacts associated with reasonable alternative means of providing the needed storage. **DATES:** The public scoping period begins with the publication of this NOI and will continue until August 16, 1996. Written comments postmarked by that date will be considered in the preparation of the Rocky Flats Plutonium Storage Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). Comments