

HOURS THAT HOOK-AND-LINE GEAR CAN BE DEPLOYED FOR SPECIFIED LONGITUDES ACCORDING TO PARAGRAPH (E)(2)(IV) OF THIS SECTION
 [Hours are Alaska local time]

Calendar Month	Longitude		
	Shoreward to 150°W	151 to 165°W	166 to 180°W
January	1800-0700	1900-0800	2000-0900
February	1900-0600	2000-0700	2100-0800
March	2000-0500	2100-0600	2200-0700
April	2100-0400	2200-0500	2300-0600
May	2200-0300	2300-0400	2400-0500
June	1	1	1
July	2	2	2
August	2200-0400	2300-0500	2400-0600
September	2000-0500	2100-0600	2200-0700
October	1900-0600	2000-0700	2100-0800
November	1800-0700	1900-0800	2000-0900
December	1700-0700	1800-0800	1900-0900

¹ This measure cannot be exercised during June.
² This measure cannot be exercised during July.

[FR Doc. 97-5438 Filed 3-4-97; 8:45 am]
 BILLING CODE 3510-22-P

50 CFR Part 697

[I.D. 091696A]

Atlantic Coast Weakfish Fisheries; Public Hearings

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

ACTION: Notice of additional public hearing; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: On February 21, 1997, NMFS announced three public hearings to receive comments from fishery participants and other members of the public regarding proposed regulations on the harvest and possession of weakfish in the exclusive economic zone of the Atlantic Ocean from Maine through Florida.

Due to requests from the public, NMFS now announces one additional public hearing in New Bern, NC and extends the comment deadline.

To accommodate people unable to attend a hearing or wishing to provide additional comments, NMFS also solicits written comments on the proposed rule.

DATES: Written comments on the proposed rule and supporting documents (Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement and Regulatory Impact Review (DSEIS/RIR) must be received on or before April 1, 1997.

The New Bern, NC hearing will be held on Thursday, March 27, 1997, from 7-9 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to Richard H. Schaefer, Chief, Staff Office of Intergovernmental and Recreational Fisheries (Fx2), National Marine Fisheries Service, 8484 Georgia Avenue, Suite 425, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Clearly mark the outside of the envelope "Atlantic Weakfish Comments." The hearing will be held at the following location:

Sheraton Grand New Bern, 1 Bicentennial Park, New Bern, NC 28563.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas Meyer/Paul Perra, 301-427-2014.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The hearing announcement was published on February 21, 1997, (62 FR 7994).

A complete description of the measures, and the purpose and need for the proposed action, is contained in the proposed rule published February 14, 1997 (62 FR 6935), and is not repeated here. A copy of the proposed rule may be obtained by writing (see **ADDRESSES**) or calling the contact person (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

The purpose of this document is to alert the interested public of hearings and provide for public participation. These hearings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids for the New Bern, NC hearing should be directed to Thomas Meyer by March 17, 1997 (see **ADDRESSES**).

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1851 note.

Dated: February 27, 1997.

Gary C. Matlock,

Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

[FR Doc. 97-5335 Filed 3-4-97; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 3510-22-F