

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

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The plan team will discuss and may make recommendations to the Council on the following agenda items:

1. Progress with recommendations on improvements to the annual report modules and 1996 report modules from American Samoa, Guam, Hawaii and the Northern Mariana Islands;

2. Review Cross Seamount interaction issue;

3. Progress report on bycatch issues including albatross, turtles, and sharks;

4. Determination of Total Allowable Level of Foreign fishing;

5. Magnuson-Stevens Act requirements including fishery management plan definitions of bycatch, fishing sectors, essential fish habitat, fishing communities and overfishing; and 6. Other business as required.

#### Special Accommodations

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 meeting date.

Dated: April 23, 1997.

**Gary C. Matlock, Ph.D.,**

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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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 a meeting of its Precious Coral Plan Team.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on May 13, 1997, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at NMFS Honolulu Laboratory, 2570 Dole Street, Room 120, Honolulu, HI; telephone: (808) 943-1221.

*Council address:* Western Pacific Fishery Management Council, 1164

Bishop St., Suite 1405, Honolulu, HI 96813.

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

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The plan team will discuss and may make recommendations to the Council on the following agenda items:

1. Application to harvest precious corals including the industry proposal and the status of Federal and state permits;

2. Consider amendments to the fishery management plan to include a frame work process and the addition of black coral; and

3. Other business as required.

#### Special Accommodations

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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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 a meeting of its Bottomfish and Seamount Groundfish Plan Team.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on May 14-15, 1997, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., each day.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Ilikai Hotel, Yacht Harbor Tower, Room 262, Ala Moana Blvd., Honolulu, HI; telephone: (808) 949-3811.

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

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director; telephone: 808-522-8220.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The plan team will discuss and may make recommendations to the Council on the following agenda items:

1. Progress with recommendations on improvements to the annual report modules and 1996 report modules from American Samoa, Guam, Hawaii and the Northern Mariana Islands;

2. Limited entry alternatives for the Mau Zone and moratorium on new entry for the Mau Zone in the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands, including report from task force;

3. Status of Department of Land and Natural Resources progress with management plan for overfished Main Hawaiian Island (MHI) onaga and ehu;

4. Draft management plan for MHI onaga and ehu stocks in Federal waters;

5. Magnuson-Stevens Act requirements including fishery management plan definitions and provisions;

6. Pending expiration of seamount ground fish moratorium; and

7. Other business as required.

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Dated: April 23, 1997.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

##### U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

[I.D. 040297C]

##### Marine Mammals; Scientific Research Permit No. 1032 (P624)

**AGENCIES:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce; and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

**ACTION:** Issuance of permit.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Dr. Michael J. Moore, Research Specialist, MS 33 Biology Department, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, Woods Hole, Massachusetts 02543, has been issued a