

total approximately 8,500 acres, either the Owl Creek MMCA or the Grizzly Creek MMCA would be harvested, and thus, total acreage protected within the remaining MMCAs would actually amount to approximately 7,500 acres (i.e., if the Owl Creek MMCA were harvested total MMCA protection will be 7,586 acres), not 8,500 acres.

Similarly, total acreage of Headwaters Reserve and MMCAs would equal approximately 15,000 acres, not 17,000 acres, as stated in Volume IV, Part B, in the final sentence on page 1, and on page 31, sec. 9.a, second sentence. This error also emanates from the Reid memo to members of the Recovery Team dated June 5, 1998, attached to the HCP at Volume IV, Part B, Section 14. The total had been incorrectly calculated.

Dated: September 9, 1998.

**Anne C. Badgley,**

*Acting Regional Director, Region 1, Fish and Wildlife Service, Portland, Oregon.*

Dated: September 14, 1998.

**Kevin Collins,**

*Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 091798B]

#### Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene a public meeting of the Reef Fish Stock Assessment Panel (RFSAP).

**DATES:** A meeting of the RFSAP will be held beginning at 1:00 p.m. on Monday, October 5, 1998 and will conclude by 12:00 noon on Thursday, October 8, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the NMFS Southeast Fisheries Science Center, 75 Virginia Beach Drive, Miami, FL.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Steven Atran, Population Dynamics Statistician, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 3018 U.S. Highway 301 North, Suite 1000, Tampa, FL 33619; telephone: 813-228-2815.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The RFSAP will meet to review a stock assessment on the status of the red

snapper stock in the Gulf of Mexico prepared by the NMFS.

Based on its review of the red snapper stock assessment, the RFSAP will recommend a range of allowable biological catch (ABC) for 1999, and may recommend management measures to achieve the ABC. In addition, the RFSAP will review the scientific information behind selection of specific values for the red snapper control rule parameters. These parameters will be used by the Council to define new criteria for establishing overfishing and overfished thresholds, and a rebuilding schedule that complies with new provisions of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act for preventing overfishing and rebuilding overfished stocks that were incorporated into the Act in 1996.

The RFSAP is composed of biologists who are trained in the specialized field of population dynamics. They advise the Council on the status of stocks and, when necessary, recommend a level of ABC needed to prevent overfishing or to effect a recovery of an overfished stock. They may also recommend catch restrictions needed to attain management goals.

The conclusions of the RFSAP will be reviewed by the Council's Standing and Special Reef Fish Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) and by the Red Snapper Advisory Panel (RSAP) at meetings to be held in early November. The Council will set a 1999 red snapper total allowable catch (TAC) and associated management measures at its meeting in Galveston, TX on November 9-12, 1998, based on the recommendations of the RFSAP, SSC, and public testimony that will be taken at the Council meeting.

Although other issues not contained in this agenda may come before the RFSAP for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda listed in this notice.

A copy of the agenda can be obtained by contacting the Gulf Council (see ADDRESSES).

#### Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Anne Alford at the Council (see ADDRESSES) by September 28, 1998.

Dated: September 18, 1998.

**Bruce C. Morehead,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Meetings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council and its Executive Committee, Information and Education Committee, and Comprehensive Management Committee will hold a public meeting.

**DATES:** The meetings will be held on Tuesday, October 6, 1998 to Thursday, October 8, 1998..

**ADDRESSES:** This meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn Philadelphia International Airport, 45 Industrial Highway, Essington, PA, telephone 610-521-2400.

*Council Address:* Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 300 S. New Street, Dover, DE 19904, telephone 302-674-2331.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christopher Moore, Ph.D., Acting Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; telephone: 302-674-2331, ext. 16.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On Tuesday, October 6, the Information and Education Committee will meet from 11:00 until noon. The Comprehensive Management Committee will meet from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Council will meet from 3:00-5:00 p.m. On Wednesday, October 7, the Executive Committee will meet from 8:00-9:00 a.m. The Committee Chairmen will meet from 9:00-10:00 a.m. Council will meet from 10:00-11:00 a.m. Council will meet, together with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's (ASMFC) Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Board from 11:00 until noon. Council will meet with the ASMFC Bluefish Board from 1:00-5:00 p.m. On Thursday, October 8, the Council will meet from 8:00 a.m. until noon.

Agenda items for this meeting are: Adoption of Amendment 1 to the