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Dated: July 8, 1999.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### 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) Groundfish Management Team (GMT) will hold a working meeting which is open to the public.

**DATES:** The GMT working meeting will begin on Monday, August 9, 1999, at noon and may go into the evening until business for the day is completed. The meeting will reconvene from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tuesday, August 10 through Friday, August 13, 1999.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Council office conference room, 2130 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 224, Portland, OR 97201.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jim Glock, Groundfish Fishery Management Coordinator; telephone: (503) 325-6352.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The primary purpose of the meeting is to develop preliminary recommendations for groundfish harvest levels and management measures for 2000. The GMT will review the draft report for an observer program for the West Coast groundfish fishery and preliminary rebuilding plans for overfished groundfish stocks. The GMT will prepare the annual Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation document, other reports, and technical advice for the upcoming Council meeting and in support of Council decisions throughout the year. The GMT will discuss, receive

reports, and/or prepare reports on the following topics during this working session: (1) Default harvest rate policies; (2) rebuilding plans for lingcod, bocaccio, and Pacific ocean perch, including allocations and bycatch reduction; (3) preparation of preliminary 2000 harvest level and management recommendations, including optimum yield/management line issues and identification of rockfish complexes; (4) fishing community baseline document; (5) inseason management; (6) observer program design and documentation needs; (7) survey of trawl gears; and (8) recreational data issues.

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Marine Mammals; File No. 932-1489-00

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

**ACTION:** Issuance of permit.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the Marine Mammal Health and Stranding and Response Program (MMHSRP), National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, has been issued a permit to take all species in the Orders Cetacea and Pinnipedia for purposes of scientific research and enhancement.

**ADDRESSES:** The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ruth Johnson 301/713-2289.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On March 25, 1999, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 14435) that a request for a scientific research and enhancement permit to take all species in the Orders Cetacea and Pinnipedia had been submitted by the above-named organization. The requested permit has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened (50 CFR parts 222-226), and the Fur Seal Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1151 *et seq.*).

Issuance of this permit, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such permit (1) was applied for in good faith, (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which is the subject of this permit, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Documents may be reviewed in the following locations:

Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Regional Administrator, Alaska Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668 (907/586-7221);

Regional Administrator, Northeast Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930-9250 (978/281-9250);

Regional Administrator, Northwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE, BIN C15700, bldg. 1, Seattle, WA 98115-0070;

Regional Administrator, Southeast Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, FL 33702-2432 (727/570-5301);

Regional Administrator, Southwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (562/980-4001); and

Coordinator, Pacific Area Office, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA 2570 Dole Street, Room 106, Honolulu, HI 96822-2396 (808/943-1221).