

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

[I.D. 092499G]

**Caribbean 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 Caribbean Fishery Management Council's (CFMC) Coastal Pelagic Committee will hold a public meeting to discuss the issues included in the agenda.

**DATES:** The Committee will meet on October 19, 1999. The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. and will adjourn at 4:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 8000 Tartak St., Isla Verde, Puerto Rico.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Caribbean Fishery Management Council, 268 Munoz Rivera Avenue, Suite 1108, San Juan, Puerto Rico; telephone: (787) 766-5926.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The agenda is as follows:

- Call to Order
- Adoption of Agenda
- Coastal Pelagic
- Discussion of Wahoo/Dolphin Framework Draft Document
- Recommended Measures by the Scientific and Statistical Committee to the CFMC

- Discussion of Puerto Rico's Present and New Fishing Regulations
- Other Business

The meeting is open to the public, and will be conducted in the English language. However, simultaneous interpretation services (English-Spanish) will be available. Fishers and other interested persons are invited to attend.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Council for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal Council action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

**Special Accommodations**

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mr. Miguel A. Rolon at the Council (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: September 27, 1999.

**Bruce C. Morehead,**

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

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**Caribbean Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Caribbean Fishery Management Council's (CFMC) Advisory Panel (AP) and Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) will hold meetings.

**DATES:** The SSC meeting will be held on October 13, 1999, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., and the AP meeting will be held on October 14, 1999, from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Both meetings will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 8000 Tartak St., Isla Verde, Carolina, Puerto Rico.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Caribbean Fishery Management Council, 268 Munoz Rivera Avenue, Suite 1108, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918-2577; telephone: (787) 766-5926.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The AP and the SSC will meet to discuss the items contained in the following agenda:

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- Banning of Traps in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ)
- Establishing a Permit for Fish Traps and/or other Fixed Gear
- Establishing a Limited Entry System for Fixed Gear Fishery

**Queen Conch**

- Banning Use of SCUBA Gear in the EEZ
- Banning Queen Conch Fishing in the EEZ

Establishing a Four Months Closed Season

Alternative Management Measures to the Size Limit

**Requirement - Draft Option Paper****Coastal Pelagic**

Discussion of Wahoo/Dolphin Framework Draft Document

Recommended Measures by SSC and AP to CFMC

The meetings are open to the public, and will be conducted in English. However, simultaneous interpretation (Spanish-English) will be available during the AP meeting (October 14, 1999). Fishers and other interested persons are invited to attend and participate with oral or written statements regarding agenda issues.

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Dated: September 28, 1999.

**Richard W. Surdi,**

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