

Revise the **SUMMARY** to read: "The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) and its Monkfish Working Group, Comprehensive Management Committee, Surfclam and Ocean Quahog Committee and Industry Advisory Panel, Squid-Mackerel-Butterfish Committee, Information and Education Committee, and Executive Committee and the Joint Spiny Dogfish Committee of the Mid- Atlantic and New England Fishery Management Councils will hold public meetings.

Under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** revise the Tuesday, March 14th, 1:00–3:00 p.m. entry to read:

From 1:00–5:00 p.m., the Joint Spiny Dogfish Committee will meet.

Revise the paragraph after "Agenda items for this meeting are:" and add another paragraph to read:

Discuss and recommend area adjustments through the amendment process to the Monkfish Fishery Management Plan; review the recommendations of the Joint Spiny Dogfish Committee regarding management of the Spiny dogfish resource for the upcoming year and make recommendations for its management; discuss the research set aside amendment and summer flounder workshop(s) postponement; receive assessment information on Atlantic mackerel and surfclams; discuss 5-year quotas and a new overfishing definition for surfclams; discuss mackerel limited entry, *Illex* real time management, an overfishing definition for *Loligo*, and area closures to protect *Loligo* egg masses; and consider distribution of the *Loligo* squid quota into time periods.

The purpose of consideration of the recommendations of the Joint Spiny Dogfish Committee is for the Mid-Atlantic and New England Fishery Management Councils to come to agreement on how to manage the spiny dogfish resource for the upcoming fishing year. According to the FMP, which was approved on September 29, 1999, the measures that may be considered for implementation in addition to a quota, include, but are not limited to, the following: Minimum or maximum fish sizes, seasons, mesh size restrictions, trip limits, or other gear restrictions."

Dated: February 29, 2000.

Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 022900A]

New England 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 New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Groundfish Oversight Committee to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from the committee will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

DATES: The meeting will be held on March 15, 2000, at 9:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Yokens Conference Center, Route 1, Portsmouth, NH 03801; telephone: (603) 433–3338.

Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; (978) 465–0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The committee will focus on the issues associated with the management objectives for Amendment 13 to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan (FMP). Amendment 13 will implement stock-rebuilding programs for overfished stocks in the Northeast multispecies fishery as mandated by the Sustainable Fisheries Act, and modify the FMP as the Council deems appropriate based on public comments and analysis of alternative management programs. This meeting will involve a review of current overfishing definitions and control rules for the purpose of specifying management goals for the amendment. The committee will forward its recommendations and any unresolved issues to the Council for consideration at the March 22–23 Council meeting.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this committee 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 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

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Paul J. Howard (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 days prior to the meeting dates.

Dated: February 29, 2000.

Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

Notice of Meeting

The next meeting of the Commission of Fine Arts is scheduled for 16 March 2000 at 10:00 AM in the Commission's offices at the National Building Museum (Pension Building), Suite 312, Judiciary Square, 441 F Street, NW, Washington, DC, 20001. Items of discussion will include designs for projects affecting the appearance of Washington, DC., including buildings and parks.

Inquiries regarding the agenda and request to submit written or oral statements should be addressed to Charles H. Atherton, Secretary, Commission of Fine Arts, at the above address to all 202–504–2200. Individuals requiring sign language interpretation for the hearing impaired should contact the Secretary at least 10 days before the meeting date.

Dated in Washington, DC, 24 February 2000

Charles H. Atherton,

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary; Proposed new Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: DoD, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs/TMA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 3506 (c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork

Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs/TMA announces proposed new public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed new collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by May 2, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the information collection should be sent to the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs) TRICARE Management Activity, Skyline Five, suite 810, 5111 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, Virginia 22041-3206. Attention: Captain Charles Hostettler.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection, please write to the above address or call CAPT Charles Hostettler, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Health Affairs), TRICARE Management Activity, (703) 681-1740.

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: TRICARE Pharmacy Redesign Pilot Program Enrollment Application Form X407.

Needs and Uses: The collection instrument serves as an application form for enrollment in the TRICARE Pharmacy Redesign Pilot Program. The information collected will be used to provide the Managed Care Support Contractors, contracted to supply administrative support, with the data to determine beneficiary eligibility, other health insurance liability, and premium payment.

Affected Public: Individuals or household.

Annual Burden Hours: 333.

Number of Respondents: 2,000.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Average Burden Per Response: 10 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

In June 1998, the General Accounting Office (GAO) testified before the

Subcommittee on Military Personnel, Committee on Armed Services, House of Representatives, that over the past several years, concern about the costs and quality of DoD's pharmacy benefit has surfaced. GAO recommended that DoD establish a more system-wide approach to managing its pharmacy benefit by establishing a uniform, incentive-based formulary across its pharmacy programs. Furthermore, GAO recommended that a system-wide pharmacy benefit be granted to Medicare-eligible retirees who are excluded from the contractor retail network and NMOP pharmacy systems.

In response to the June 1998 GAO report, the FY 1999 Strom Thurmond National Defense Authorization Act for fiscal Year 1999 for Fiscal year 1999 (P.L. 105-261) directed DoD to develop a system-wide pharmacy redesign plan and to implement the system-wide redesigned benefit at two sites for Medicare-eligible beneficiaries.

An eligible beneficiary for the pharmacy redesign demonstration is a member or former member of the uniformed services as described in section 1074(b) of title 10; a dependent of the member described in section 1076(a)(2)(B) or 1076(b) of title 10; or a dependent of a member of the uniformed services who died while on active duty for a period of more than 30 days, who meets the following requirements: (a) 65 years of age or older, (b) entitled to Medicare Part A, (c) enrolled in Medicare part B, and (d) resides in an implementation area.

The pharmacy redesign implantation will be evaluated by an independent entity outside the Department of Defense. The evaluation shall include: (a) An analysis of the cost of the pharmacy redesign implementation under TRICARE, and also to the eligible individuals who participate in the demonstration, (b) an assessment of the eligible beneficiaries' satisfaction with the redesigned pharmacy benefit, (c) an assessment of the effect, if any, on military medical readiness, (d) a description of the rate of participation, and (e) an evaluation of any other matters that the Department considers appropriate.

The DoD component responsible for the conduct of the project is the TRICARE Management Activity.

Dated: February 28, 2000.

Patricia Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs, DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs announces the proposed extension of a public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by May 2, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to The Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Public Affairs, ATTN: DPCR (Mr. Michael Byers), 1400 Defense, The Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-1400.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address, or call the Directorate for Programs and Community Relations, at (703) 695-6108.

Title, Associated Form; and OMB Number: "Request for Armed Forces Participation in Public Events (Non-Aviation)," DD Form 2536, and "Request for Military Aerial Support," DD Form 2535, OMB Number 0704-0290.

Needs and Uses: The information collection requirement is necessary to evaluate the eligibility of events to receive Armed Forces community relations support and to determine whether requested military assets are available.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; State or local governments;