The United States, through NMFS, also announces a public meeting to receive comments from members of the public on the draft IPOA-IUU. To accommodate individuals unable to attend a meeting or wishing, alternatively or in addition, to provide written comments, NMFS solicits written comments on the draft IPOA-IUU.

DATES: A public meeting on the draft IPOA-IUU will be held at 3 p.m. on Thursday, August 3, 2000. Submit comments on the IPOA-IUU to the appropriate address or fax number by 5 p.m., August 1, 2000.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held at NOAA-NMFS Headquarters, 1315 East-West Highway, SSRC, Room 12836, Silver Spring, MD, 20910. Comments on the draft IPOA-IUU may be sent to Robin Tuttle, NOAA-NMFS, Office of Science and Technology, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD, 20910, or by fax to 301–713–4057. Comments will not be accepted via email or Internet.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robin Tuttle, 301–713–2282, extension 199, or fax 301–713–4057.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The United States, through a collaborative effort of NMFS, the Department of State, the Office of the United States Trade Representative, the Coast Guard, and the United States Customs Service is developing the U.S. position on a formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 18, 2000, at 9:00 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at offices of the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management, 235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI; telephone: (401)222–6605.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

Special Accommodations

The public meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Robin Tuttle by July 31, 2000, (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT).

Andrew A. Rosenberg,
Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries,
National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
[I.D. 062800B]

New England 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 New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a meeting of its Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (M-SFCMA) Committee in July, 2000 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 Tuesday, July 18, 2000, at 9:00 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at offices of the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management, 235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI; telephone: (401)222–6605.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

Dated: June 29, 2000.
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

Science Advisory Board

AGENCY: Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, NOAA, DOC.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Science Advisory Board (SAB) was established by a Decision Memorandum dated September 25, 1997, and is the only Federal Advisory Committee with responsibility to advise the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere on long and short-range strategies for research, education, and application of science to resource management. SAB activities and advice will provide necessary input to ensure that National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) science programs are of the highest quality and provide optimal support to resource management.

DATES: The meeting will be held Wednesday, July 19, 2000, from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Thursday, July 20, 2000, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Friday, July 21, 2000, from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: On July 19 and 21, the meeting will be held at the Westmark Hotel, 813 Noble Street, Fairbanks, AK. On Thursday, July 20, 2000, the meeting will be held at the International Arctic Research Center (IARC), University of Alaska Fairbanks, Fairbanks, AK.

Status: The meeting will be open to public participation with two 30-minute time periods set aside during the meeting for direct verbal comments or questions from the public. The SAB expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted verbal or written statements. In general, each individual or group making a formal presentation will be limited to a total time of five (5) minutes. Written comments (at least 35
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[DOCKET NO. 060800C]

Marine Mammals; File No. 782–1438 and P77–4#2

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit amendments.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Wild Things Photography, P.O. Box 34517, 4474 Julep Street, Juneau, Alaska 99803, has been issued a permit to take by Level B harassment one species, harbor seal (Phoca vitulina), of non-threatened, non-endangered marine mammals for purposes of commercial photography.

ADDRESSES: The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS,

1315 East-West Highway, Room 13150, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713–2289); and

Regional Administrator, Alaska Region, 709 W. 9th Street, Federal Building Room 461, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802 (907/586–7235).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 4, 2000, notice was published in the Federal Register (65 FR 65687) that the above-named applicant had submitted a request for a permit to take one species of marine mammals by Level B harassment during the course of commercial photographic activities in Glacier Bay National Park, Alaska. The requested permit has been issued, under the authority of §104(c)(6) of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 et seq.).


Ann D. Terbush, Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Marine Mammals; File No. 782–1438 and P77–4#2

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit amendments.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the National Marine Mammal Laboratory, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, Seattle, Washington 98115–0070 has been issued an amendment to scientific research Permit No. 917 (File No. P77–4#2).

ADDRESSES: The amendments and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

File Nos. 782–1438 and P77–4#2; Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713–2289);

File No. 782–1438: Southwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802–4213 (562/980–4001);


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Simona Roberts or Ruth Johnson, 301/713–2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 4, 2000, notice was published in the Federal Register (65 FR 25912) that an amendment of Permit No. 782–1438, issued on May 8, 1998 (63 FR 27265) and of Permit No. 917 (File No. P77–4#2), issued on May 11, 1994 (59 FR 25892), as amended on April 16, 1999 (64 FR 6326), had been requested by the above-named institutions. The requested amendments have been granted 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.), and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR 222–226).

Perm No. 782–1438 authorizes the National Marine Mammal Laboratory to take various large and small cetacean species through photographic aerial surveys (Project I), biopsy sampling and photo-id (Project II), small cetacean species and pinnipeds through vessel surveys (Project III) and gray whales through biopsy sampling, tagging, photo-id and harassment (Project IV).

The amendment now authorizes the National Marine Mammal Laboratory to use satellite-tag, flipper tag, VHF radio/time depth recorder(TDR) suction cup-tag and biopsy sample beluga whales (Delphinapterus leucas) in Alaskan waters.