

FR 11034; February 26, 1979); and (3) does not warrant preparation of a regulatory evaluation as the anticipated impact is so minimal. Since this is a routine matter that would only affect air traffic procedures and air navigation, it is certified that this proposed rule would have significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the criteria of the Regulatory Flexibility Act.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 71

Airspace, Incorporation by reference, Navigation (air).

The Proposed Amendment

In consideration of the foregoing, the Federal Aviation Administration proposes to amend 14 CFR Part 71 as follows:

PART 71—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for 14 CFR Part 71 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40103, 40113, 40120; EO 10854, 24 FR 9565, 3 CFR, 1959–1963 Comp., p. 389.

§ 71.1 [Amended]

2. The incorporation by reference in 14 CFR 71.1 of Federal Aviation Administration Order 7400.9J dated August 31, 2001, and effective September 16, 2001, is proposed to be amended as follows:

Paragraph 6005 Class E airspace areas extending upward from 700 feet or more above the surface of the earth.

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AEA MD ES 5 Elkton, MD [NEW]

Cecil County Airport, MD
(Lat 39° 34'24"N.; long 75° 52'00"W.)

That airspace extending upward from 700 feet above the surface within a 6 mile radius of the Cecil County Airport, Elkton, MD.

Issued in Jamaica, New York on November 13, 2001.

F.D. Hatfield,

Manager, Air Traffic Division, Eastern Region.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 622

[I.D. 121801H]

Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Queen Conch Resources of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands

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

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a draft supplemental environmental impact statement (DSEIS); request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Caribbean Fishery Management Council (Council) intends to prepare a DSEIS to assess the impacts on the natural and human environment of the management measure proposed in its draft Amendment 2 to the Fishery Management Plan for the Queen Conch Resources of Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands (FMP). The purpose of this document is to solicit additional public comments on the scope of the issues to be addressed in the DSEIS, which will be submitted to NMFS for filing with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for publication of a notice-of-availability for public comment.

DATES: Written comments on the scope of issues to be addressed in the DSEIS will be accepted through February 11, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to Miguel A. Rolón, Executive Director, Caribbean Fishery Management Council, 268 Muñoz Rivera Avenue, Suite 1108, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918–1920, telephone: 787–766–5926; fax: 787–766–6239; or you can send comments by e-mail to: *Miguel.A.Rolon@noaa.gov* or *Graciela.Garcia-Moliner@noaa.gov*. Copies of the draft Amendment 2 and the preliminary DSEIS may be obtained by contacting the Caribbean Fishery Management Council, 268 Muñoz Rivera Avenue, Suite 1108, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918–2577; phone: 787–766–5926.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Graciela Garcia-Moliner; phone: 787–766–5926; e-mail: *Graciela.Garcia-Moliner@noaa.gov* or Dr. Peter J. Eldridge; phone: 727–570–5305; fax: 727–570–5583; e-mail: *Peter.Eldridge@noaa.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The FMP was prepared by the Council and approved and implemented by NMFS under procedures of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act). The FMP's management measures for queen conch apply in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) in the U.S. Caribbean. For the purposes of the FMP and its implementing regulations, the U.S. Caribbean consists of the Federal waters beyond the 9–nautical mile boundary in Puerto Rico and beyond the 3–nautical mile boundary in St. Thomas, St. John, and St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands. The FMP currently establishes the following management measures for queen conch: (1) A 9–inch overall minimum size limit, or a 3/8–inch shell-lip thickness limitation on the possession of queen conch; (2) a requirement that all species in the management unit be landed in the shell and that the sale of undersized queen conch and queen conch shells be prohibited; (3) a bag limit of three queen conch/day for recreational fishers, not to exceed 12 per boat, and of 150 queen conch/day for licensed commercial fishers; (4) the closure of the harvest season from July 1 through September 30 of each consecutive year; and (5) the prohibition of harvesting queen conch by HOOKAH gear (under-water breathing equipment composed of a compressor aboard the vessel and a long hose thus enabling a diver to work under water for long periods of time) in the EEZ.

The Council is preparing draft FMP Amendment 2. The objectives of Amendment 2 are to address NMFS' determination that queen conch is overfished and is undergoing overfishing and to establish rebuilding measures. Amendment 2, in addressing these issues, proposes to prohibit the harvest and possession of queen conch in the Caribbean EEZ. The Council is preparing a DSEIS as an integrated part of Amendment 2. The DSEIS will describe the amendment's alternative management measures and will assess the environmental impacts of them. The Council is requesting written comments on the scope of the issues to be addressed in the DSEIS. Based on input received during 10 public hearings held in July 2000 (see notice of these hearings at 65 FR 40600) and in November 2001 (see notice of these hearings at 66 FR 55910), the Council intends to revise draft Amendment 2, as appropriate, and to finalize the DSEIS. At the July 2000 hearings, the Council changed the number of the Amendment from Amendment 1 to Amendment 2.

The proposed management measure has not been included in a previous FMP amendment. The Council invites the public to comment on the scope of the issues to be addressed by Amendment 2 and its DSEIS and on the types of environmental impacts associated with the various management measures, including the proposed measure discussed above.

Once the Council completes the DSEIS, it will submit it to NMFS for filing with EPA. EPA will publish a notice of availability of the DSEIS for public comment in the **Federal Register**. The DSEIS will have a 45-day comment period. This procedure is pursuant to regulations issued by the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) for implementing the procedural provisions of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) (40 CFR parts 1500–1508) and to NOAA's Administrative Order 216–6 regarding NOAA's compliance with NEPA and the CEQ regulations. The Council will consider public comments received on the DSEIS before adopting final management measures for a final Amendment 2 and to prepare a final supplemental environmental impact statement (FSEIS) in support of its final Amendment 2. The Council would then submit the final Amendment 2 and supporting FSEIS to NMFS for Secretarial review, approval, and implementation under the Magnuson-Stevens Act. NMFS will announce availability of Amendment 2 for public review during the Secretarial review period through notice published in the **Federal Register**. During Secretarial review, NMFS will also file the FSEIS with EPA for a final 30-day public comment period on the FSEIS. This comment period will be concurrent with the Secretarial review period and will end prior to final agency action to approve, disapprove, or partially approve Amendment 2. All public comment periods on Amendment 2, its proposed implementing regulations, and its associated FSEIS will be announced through notice published in the **Federal Register**. NMFS will consider all public comments received during the Secretarial review period for Amendment 2 (60-day period), whether they are on the amendment, the FSEIS, or the proposed regulations, prior to final agency action.

Dated: January 4, 2002.

Jonathan Kurland

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 648

[I.D. 010402A]

New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting Notification; Addendum

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

ACTION: Addendum to a public meeting notification.

SUMMARY: On December 28, 2001, NMFS published a **Federal Register** notification announcing that the New England Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a 3-day Council meeting on January 15 through 17, 2002, to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone. This notification serves as an addendum to that notification and announces that in addition to the agenda items announced in the December 28th **Federal Register** notification, there will be a closed session on January 16, 2002, to discuss the lawsuit concerning Framework 33 to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan. In addition, certain agenda items have been rescheduled as identified in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notification.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, January 15, 16, and 17, 2002. The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. on Tuesday and 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday and Thursday. The closed session will be held at approximately 5 p.m. on January 16, 2002.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Courtyard by Marriott, 1000 Market Street, Portsmouth, NH 03801; telephone (603) 436–2121. Requests for special accommodations should be addressed to the New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street,

Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950; telephone (978) 465–0492.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In addition to the agenda items announced in the meeting notification published in the **Federal Register** on December 28, 2001 (66 FR 67166), the Council intends to convene a closed session on January 16, 2002, following the scallop agenda item at approximately 5 p.m. During this portion of the meeting, the Council will discuss the *Conservation Law Foundation, et al., v. Evans* lawsuit concerning Framework 33 to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan and the Sustainable Fisheries Act requirements to address overfishing, stock rebuilding, and bycatch reduction.

Also, the Council announces that the briefing on the status of the U.S./Canada shared resources agreement originally scheduled for Tuesday, January 15th has been rescheduled for Thursday, January 17th. The Marine Protected Area Committee Report originally scheduled for Thursday, January 17th, will be given in place of the U.S. Canada Briefing on Tuesday, January 15th, following introductions.

Although other non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subjects of formal action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notification and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305 (c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided that 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 Paul J. Howard (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: January 7, 2002.

Jonathan M. Kurland,

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

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