

designated by the Hawaiian Islands National Marine Sanctuary Act (HINMSA) on November 4, 1992 (Subtitle C of Public Law 102-587, the Oceans Act of 1992). On Friday, March 28, 1997, the final regulations were published in the **Federal Register** (62 FR 14799), and became effective on June 6, 1997.

At the time of designation, NOAA made a commitment to the State of Hawaii that five years after the management plan and regulations had become effective, NOAA, in consultation with the State of Hawaii, would evaluate the progress made toward implementing the management plan, regulations, and goals for the Sanctuary. NOAA also agreed that after the evaluation was complete, NOAA would then re-submit the management plan and regulations in their entirety, as far as they effect State waters, to the Governor for his approval. The draft revised management plan is the result of the five-year evaluation and will be submitted to the Governor. The draft revised management plan does not propose any regulatory or boundary changes.

The draft revised management plan has been completed and is now available for public review. NOAA will conduct public meetings to gather information and other comments from individuals, organizations, and government agencies on the scope, types, and significance of issues related to the Sanctuary's draft revised management plan. Written comments may also be sent to the address below or via email at [hihumpbackwhale@noaa.gov](mailto:hihumpbackwhale@noaa.gov). The public review period will run from March 19 until May 24, 2002. The public meetings are scheduled for May 1–May 9, 2002, and were announced in the **Federal Register** on Tuesday, March 19 (67 FR 12525). Two additional meetings have now been added for May 21 and May 22.

**DATES AND ADDRESSES:** Written Comments may be sent to the Naomi McIntosh, Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary (Management Plan Review), 6700 Kalanianaole Highway, Suite 104, Honolulu, Hawaii 96825. Comments will be available for public review at the same address. Written comments should be received on or before May 24, 2002. Public meetings already announced will be held on May 1 on Oahu, May 2 on Maui, May 3 on Kauai, and May 8 and 9 on the Big Island of Hawaii (Kona and Hilo respectively). The two new public meetings will be on May 21 on Lanai and May 22 on Molokai as follows:

(1) Tuesday, May 21, 6 to 9 p.m., Lanai Public Library, Frazier Avenue, Lanai City, Lanai, Hawaii.

(2) Wednesday, May 22, 6 to 9 p.m., Mitchell Pauole Center, 90 Ainoa Street, Kaunakakai, Molokai, Hawaii.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Anne Reisewitz, MPR Coordinator, by phone at (808) 397-2651 or via e-mail at [Annelore.Reisewitz@noaa.gov](mailto:Annelore.Reisewitz@noaa.gov).

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. Section 1431 et seq., Pub. L. 106-513.

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Dated: April 4, 2002.

**Margaret A. Davidson,**

*Acting Assistant Administrator for Ocean Services and Coastal Zone Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### Extension of Public Scoping Period for the Proposed Designation of the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands National Marine Sanctuary

**AGENCY:** National Marine Sanctuary Program (NMSP), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** On December 4, 2000, Executive Order 13178 established the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands Coral Reef Ecosystem Reserve, pursuant to the National Marine Sanctuaries Amendments Act of 2000. The Reserve extends approximately 1200 nautical miles long and 100 nautical miles wide. Pursuant to this Act and the Executive Order, NOAA initiated the process to designate the Reserve as a national marine sanctuary by issuing a notice of intent on January 19, 2001 (66 FR 5509). The public scoping period was announced on March 18, 2002 (67 FR 11996), with a closing date of May 3, 2002. In order to provide additional time for the public to provide written comments and to better coincide with the comment period on the Draft Reserve Operations Plan that was released on March 18, 2002 (67 FR 11997), the close of the public scoping meeting is extended to May 17, 2002.

**DATES AND ADDRESSES:** The public scoping process began on March 18, 2002, and ends on Friday, May 17, 2002. Written comments may be sent to NWHI Coral Reef Ecosystem Reserve, 6700 Kalanianaole Highway, #215, Honolulu, Hawaii 96825; faxed to (808) 397-2662; or emailed to [nwhi@noaa.gov](mailto:nwhi@noaa.gov). Comments will be available for public review at the office address above. Summaries of public comments from initial scoping meetings will be available at [hawaiireef.noaa.gov](http://hawaiireef.noaa.gov). Scoping meetings will be held in April.

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Comments will be available for public review at the office address above.

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#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Äulani Wilhelm, (808) 397-2657, [nwhi@noaa.gov](mailto:nwhi@noaa.gov).

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Coral, Golden Crab, Shrimp, Spiny Lobster, Red Drum, Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources, and Snapper-Grouper Fisheries of the South Atlantic

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

**ACTION:** Notice of receipt of an application for an exempted fishing permit; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS announces the receipt of an application for an exempted fishing permit (EFP) from Lindsey G. Parker, Captain R/V GEORGIA BULLDOG, on behalf of the University of Georgia's Marine Education Center and Aquarium (MECA). If granted, the EFP would authorize the applicant, with certain conditions, to collect up to 200 juvenile (undersized) individuals in the snapper-grouper and coastal pelagics complex annually. Less than 10 non egg-bearing spiny or slipper lobster would be collected on each cruise. Two cruises will be made annually in Federal waters off Georgia for public display purposes. Specimens will be displayed at MECA, which is located on Skidaway Island, near Savannah, Georgia.

**DATES:** Comments must be received no later than 5 p.m., eastern standard time, on May 13, 2002.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments on the application must be mailed to Peter Eldridge, Southeast Regional Office, NMFS, 9721 Executive Center Drive N., St. Petersburg, FL 33702. Comments also may be sent via fax to 727-570-5583. Comments will not be accepted if submitted via e-mail or Internet.

The application and related documents are available for review upon written request to the address above.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Peter Eldridge, 727-570-5305; fax 727-570-5583; e-mail: peter.eldridge@noaa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The EFP is requested under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), and regulations at 50 CFR 600.745(b) concerning exempted fishing.

According to the applicant, MECA, located at Skidaway Island, is a public, non-profit, educational institution established to promote an awareness, understanding, and appreciation of the diverse natural resources associated with Georgia's ocean, estuaries, rivers, streams, and other aquatic environments.

MECA provides a variety of education programs: short academic classes and summer science camps for school children, classes for college students and teachers, and programs for visiting adult groups. The saltwater aquarium exhibits local marine fishes and invertebrates, and is used as an educational tool in these programs.

The applicant intends to make two cruises annually to collect specimens for public display during the period July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2004.

The proposed collection for public display involves activities otherwise prohibited by regulations implementing the Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for the Snapper-Grouper Fisheries of the South Atlantic Region, the FMP for the Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources (Mackerels), and the FMP for the Spiny Lobster Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic. The applicant requires authorization to harvest and possess juvenile mackerels, snapper-grouper species, and spiny lobster taken from Federal waters off Georgia.

Based on a preliminary review, NMFS finds that this application warrants further consideration and intends to issue an EFP. A final decision on issuance of the EFP will depend on a NMFS review of public comments received on the application, conclusions of environmental analyses conducted pursuant to the National Environmental

Policy Act, and consultations with Georgia, the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, and the U.S. Coast Guard. The applicant requests a 24-month effective period for the EFP.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

**Dated:** April 5, 2002.

**John H. Dunnigan,**

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

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## COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission

**TIME AND DATE:** 11 a.m., Friday, May 17, 2002.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St., NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Surveillance matters.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

**Jean A. Webb,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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## COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** 11 a.m., Friday, May 3, 2002.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St., NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Surveillance Matters.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

**Jean A. Webb,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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## COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** 11 a.m., Friday, May 24, 2002.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St., NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Surveillance matters.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

**Jean A. Webb,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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## COMMODITY FUTURE TRADING COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Commodity Future Trading Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** 11 a.m., Friday, May 10, 2002.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St., NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Surveillance matters.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

**Jean A. Webb,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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## COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Meeting

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Commodity Future Trading Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** 11 a.m., Friday, May 31, 2002.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St., NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** Surveillance matters.