

year terms, pursuant to the Council's Charter.

DATES: Applications are due by July 31, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Application information may be obtained from Becky Shortland, Council Coordinator, Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary, 10 Ocean Science Circle, Savannah, GA 31411; telephone 912/598-2345; becky.shortland@noaa.gov.

Applications should be sent to Reed Bohne, Manager, Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary (same address).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact Becky Shortland, Council Coordinator, 10 Ocean Science Circle, Savannah, GA 31410; telephone 912/598-2345; becky.shortland@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Sanctuary Advisory Council was established in August 1999 to provide advice and recommendations on management and protection of the Sanctuary. The Council, through its members, also serves as liaison to the community regarding sanctuary issues and represents community interests, concerns, and management needs to the Sanctuary and NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce). Gray's Reef NMS is one of the largest near shore live-bottom reefs off the Southeastern United States, encompassing approximately 17 square nautical miles. The area earned sanctuary designation in 1981.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. Sections 1431, *et seq.* (Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog Number)

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Availability of Seats for the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council

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

ACTION: Notice and request for applications.

SUMMARY: The Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine

Sanctuary (HIHWNMS or Sanctuary) is seeking applicants for the following nine vacant seats on its Sanctuary Advisory Council (Council): Business/Commerce, Citizen-At-Large, Commercial Shipping, Conservation, Fishing, Native Hawaiian, Ocean Recreation, Tourism, and Whale Watching. Applicants are chosen based upon their particular expertise and experience in relation to the seat for which they are applying; community and professional affiliations; philosophy regarding the conservation and management of marine resources; and the length of residence in the area affected by the Sanctuary. Applicants who are chosen as members should expect to serve two-year terms, pursuant to the Council's Charter.

DATES: Applications are due by August 15, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Application kits may be obtained on our Website www.hihwnms.nos.noaa.gov or from Amy Glester at the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary, 6700 Kalaniana'ole Hwy, Suite 104, Honolulu, Hawaii 96825. Completed applications should be sent to the same address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amy Glester at (808) 397-2655, or amy.glester@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The HIHWNMS Advisory Council was established in March 1996 (the current Council has served since July 1998) to assure continued public participation in the management of the Sanctuary. Since its establishment, the Council has played a vital role in the decisions affecting the Sanctuary surrounding the main Hawaiian Islands.

The Council's twenty-four voting members represent a variety of local user groups, as well as the general public, plus ten local, state, and federal governmental jurisdictions.

The Council is supported by three subcommittees: A Research Committee chaired by the Research Representative, an Education Committee chaired by the Education Representative, and a Conservation Committee chaired by the Conservation Representative, each respectively dealing with matters concerning research, education and resource protection.

The Council represents the coordination link between the Sanctuary and the state and federal management agencies, user groups, researchers, educators, policy makers, and other various groups that help to focus efforts and attention on the humpback whale and its habitat around the main Hawaiian Islands.

The Council functions in an advisory capacity to the Sanctuary Manager and is instrumental in helping to develop policies and program goals, and to identify education, outreach, research, long-term monitoring, resource protection, and revenue enhancement priorities. The Council works in concert with the Sanctuary Manager by keeping him or her informed about issues of concern throughout the Sanctuary, offering recommendations on specific issues, and aiding the Manager in achieving the goals of the Sanctuary program within the context of Hawaii's marine programs and policies.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1431 *et seq.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting Cancellation

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

ACTION: Notice of cancellation of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) has cancelled the public meeting of its Monkfish Oversight Committee that was scheduled for July 22, 2002 at 9:30 a.m.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The initial notice was published in the **Federal Register** on July 8, 2002 (67 FR 45095). All other information contained in the previously published notice remains unchanged. The meeting will be rescheduled at a later date and announced in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: July 15, 2002.

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

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