

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Research Steering Committee in October 2003. Recommendations from the committee will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

**DATES:** The meeting will held on Thursday, October 30, 2003 at 9:30 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Peabody Marriott Hotel, 8A Centennial Drive, Peabody, MA 01960; telephone: (978) 977-6478.

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

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

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The agenda will include an update on projects funded through NOAA Fisheries Cooperative Research Partners Initiative, further deliberations on a process to incorporate the results of cooperative research projects into the Council management process, and planning for 2004 initiatives.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal Council action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed 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

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 dates.

Dated: October 9, 2003.

**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. 100903E]

#### 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 Social Sciences Advisory Committee in November, 2003 to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Monday, November 3, 2003 at 10 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn, One Newbury Street, Peabody, MA 01960; telephone: (978) 535-4600.

*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; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Social Science Advisory Committee will review timelines for Council actions that extend into 2004 and decide which actions are appropriate for providing the Council guidance on social and economic analysis. The Committee will also discuss progress on developing a clearinghouse for social and economic data and a workshop to further the development of social and economic analyses of fishery management action.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) and its advisory bodies will hold public meetings.

**DATES:** The Council and its advisory bodies will meet November 2-7, 2003. The Council meeting will begin on Monday, November 3, at 3:30 p.m., reconvening each day through Friday. All meetings are open to the public, except a closed session will be held at 3:30 p.m. on Monday, November 3 to address litigation and personnel matters. The Council will meet as late as necessary each day to complete its scheduled business.

**ADDRESSES:** The meetings will be held at the Hilton San Diego Del Mar, 15575 Jimmy Durante Blvd., Del Mar, CA 92014; telephone: (858) 792-5200.

*Council address:* Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 200, Portland, OR 97220.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Donald O. McIsaac, Executive Director; telephone: (503) 820-2280 or (866) 806-7204.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The following items are on the Council agenda, but not necessarily in this order. All items listed are subject to potential Council action.

#### A. Call to Order

1. Opening Remarks, Introductions
2. Roll Call
3. Executive Director's Report
4. Approve Agenda

#### B. Marine Protected Areas

1. Jurisdiction and Authority Issues for Marine Protected Areas