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**United States (US) Footnotes**

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 US74 In the bands 25.55–25.67, 73.0–74.6, 406.1–410.0, 608–614, 1400–1427, 1660.5–1670.0, 2690–2700, and 4990–5000 MHz, and in the bands 10.68–10.7, 15.35–15.4, 23.6–24.0, 31.3–31.5, 86–92, 100–102, 109.5–111.8, 114.25–116, 148.5–151.5, 164–167, 200–209, and 250–252 GHz, the radio astronomy service shall be protected from extraband radiation only to the extent that such radiation exceeds the level which would be present if the offending station were operating in compliance with the technical standards or criteria applicable to the service in which it operates. Radio astronomy observations in these bands are

- 13360–13410 kHz
- 25550–25670 kHz
- 37.5–38.25 MHz
- 322–328.6 MHz
- 1330–1400 MHz
- 1610.6–1613.8 MHz
- 1660–1660.5 MHz
- 1668.4–1670 MHz
- 3260–3267 MHz
- 3332–3339 MHz
- 3345.8–3352.5 MHz
- 4825–4835 MHz
- 4950–4990 MHz
- 6650–6675.2 MHz

performed at the locations listed in US311.  
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 US211 In the bands 1670–1690, 5000–5250 MHz and 10.7–11.7, 15.1365–15.35, 15.4–15.7, 22.5–22.55, 24–24.05, 31.0–31.3, 31.8–32.0, 40.5–42.5, 116–122.25, 123–130, 158.5–164, 167–168, 191.8–200, and 252–265 GHz, applicants for airborne or space station assignments are urged to take all practicable steps to protect radio astronomy observations in the adjacent bands from harmful interference; however, US74 applies.  
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US246 No station shall be authorized to transmit in the following bands: 73–74.6 MHz, 608–614 MHz, except for medical telemetry equipment,<sup>1</sup> 1400–1427 MHz, 1660.5–1668.4 MHz, 2690–2700 MHz, 4990–

- 14.47–14.5 GHz
- 22.01–22.21 GHz
- 22.21–22.5 GHz
- 22.81–22.86 GHz
- 23.07–23.12 GHz
- 31.2–31.3 GHz
- 36.43–36.5 GHz
- 42.5–43.5 GHz
- 48.94–49.04 GHz
- 76–86 GHz
- 92–94 GHz
- 94.1–100 GHz
- 102–109.5 GHz
- 111.8–114.25 GHz

5000 MHz, 10.68–10.7 GHz, 15.35–15.4 GHz, 23.6–24 GHz, 31.3–31.8 GHz, 50.2–50.4 GHz, 52.6–54.25 GHz, 86–92 GHz, 100–102 GHz, 109.5–111.8 GHz, 114.25–116 GHz, 148.5–151.5 GHz, 164–167 GHz, 182–185 GHz, 190–191.8 GHz, 200–209 GHz, 226–231.5 GHz, 250–252 GHz.  
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US263 In the bands 21.2–21.4 GHz, 22.21–22.5 GHz, 36–37 GHz, and 56.26–58.2 GHz, the space research and Earth exploration-satellite services shall not receive protection from the fixed and mobile services operating in accordance with the Table of Frequency Allocations.  
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US342 In making assignments to stations of other services to which the bands:

- 128.33–128.59 GHz
- 129.23–129.49 GHz
- 130–134 GHz
- 136–148.5 GHz
- 151.5–158.5 GHz
- 168.59–168.93 GHz
- 171.11–171.45 GHz
- 172.31–172.65 GHz
- 173.52–173.85 GHz
- 195.75–196.15 GHz
- 209–226 GHz
- 241–250 GHz
- 252–275 GHz

are allocated, all practicable steps shall be taken to protect the radio astronomy service from harmful interference. Emissions from spaceborne or airborne stations can be particularly serious sources of interference to the radio astronomy service (see Nos. 4.5 and 4.6 and Article 29 of the ITU Radio Regulations).

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 US379 In the band 55.78–56.26 GHz, in order to protect stations in the Earth exploration-satellite service (passive), the maximum power density delivered by a transmitter to the antenna of a fixed service station is limited to –28.5 dB(W/MHz).

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**  
**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**50 CFR Part 679**

[Docket No. 031125292–4061–02; I.D. 031904A]

**Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pollock in Statistical Area 620 of the Gulf of Alaska**

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

**ACTION:** Closure.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS is prohibiting directed fishing for pollock in Statistical Area 620 of the Gulf of Alaska (GOA). This action is necessary to prevent exceeding the B season pollock total allowable catch (TAC) for Statistical Area 620 of the GOA.

in the band 608–614 MHz and shall be coordinated under the requirements found in 47 CFR 95.1119.

**DATES:** Effective 1200 hrs, Alaska local time (A.l.t.), March 21, 2004, through 1200 hrs, A.l.t., August 25, 2004.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Josh Keaton, 907–586–7228.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** NMFS manages the groundfish fishery in the GOA exclusive economic zone according to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska (FMP) prepared by the North Pacific Fishery Management Council under authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Regulations governing fishing by U.S. vessels in accordance with the FMP appear at subpart H of 50 CFR part 600 and 50 CFR part 679.

The B season allowance of the pollock TAC in Statistical Area 620 of the GOA is 10,704 metric tons (mt) as established by the final 2004 harvest specifications for groundfish of the GOA (69 FR 9261, February 27, 2004). In accordance with § 679.20(a)(5)(iii)(B) the Administrator, Alaska Region, NMFS (Regional Administrator), hereby increases the B

<sup>1</sup> Medical telemetry equipment shall not cause harmful interference to radio astronomy operations

season pollock TAC by 1,522 mt, the amount of the A season pollock allowance in Statistical Area 620 that was not previously taken in the A season. The revised B season allowance of pollock TAC in Statistical Area 620 is therefore 12,226 mt (10,704 mt plus 1,522 mt).

In accordance with § 679.20(d)(1)(i), the Regional Administrator, has determined that the revised B season allowance of the pollock TAC in Statistical Area 620 will be reached. Therefore, the Regional Administrator is establishing a directed fishing allowance of 12,000 mt, and is setting aside the remaining 226 mt as bycatch to support other anticipated groundfish fisheries. In accordance with § 679.20(d)(1)(iii), the Regional Administrator finds that this directed

fishing allowance will soon be reached. Consequently, NMFS is prohibiting directed fishing for pollock in Statistical Area 620 of the GOA.

#### **Classification**

This action responds to the best available information recently obtained from the fishery. The Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA, (AA), finds good cause to waive the requirement to provide prior notice and opportunity for public comment pursuant to the authority set forth at 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B) as such requirement is impracticable and contrary to the public interest. This requirement is impracticable and contrary to the public interest as it would prevent the Agency from responding to the most recent fisheries data in a timely fashion and

would delay the closure of the B season pollock TAC in Statistical Area 620.

The AA also finds good cause to waive the 30-day delay in the effective date of this action under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3). This finding is based upon the reasons provided above for waiver of prior notice and opportunity for public comment.

This action is required by § 679.20 and is exempt from review under Executive Order 12866.

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

Dated: March 19, 2004.

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