

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 Herring Oversight Committee with Atlantic States Marine Fishery Service Herring Section. Recommendations from these groups will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 15, 2004 at 9:30 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn by the Bay, 88 Spring Street, Portland, ME 04101; telephone: (207) 775-2311.

*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 committee will review updated stock and fishery information for the 2003 fishing year. They will also review Herring Plan Development Team (PDT) and Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC) Technical Committee (TC) recommendations regarding herring specifications for the 2005 fishing year and develop Committee/Section recommendations regarding specifications for the 2005 fishing year and identify a range of options for Total Allowable Catches (TACs) to be further analyzed by the PDT/TC. The committee will receive an update on the development of Amendment 1 to the Herring Fishery Management Plan (FMP). The ASMFC Section will review and approve the ASMFC Herring FMP Review for 2003.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. 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: May 25, 2004.

**Alan D. Risenhoover,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

**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 entities will hold public meetings.

**DATES:** The Council and its advisory entities will meet June 13-18, 2004. The Council meeting will begin on Tuesday, June 15, 2004, at 8 a.m., reconvening each day through Friday. All meetings are open to the public, except a closed session will be held mid-day on Tuesday, June 15, 2004, to address litigation and personnel matters. The Council will meet as late as necessary each day to complete its scheduled business.

**ADDRESSES:** The meetings and hearing will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 1221 Chess Drive, Foster City, CA 94404; telephone 650-570-5700.

*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

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The following items are on the Council agenda, but not necessarily in this order.

#### A. Call to Order

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

#### B. Administrative Matters

1. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes
2. Council Communication Plan—Phase I (Communication During Council Session)
3. Update of Council Operating Procedures

4. Legislative Matters
5. Fiscal Matters
6. Appointments to Advisory Bodies, Standing Committees, and Other Forums
7. Workload Priorities and Draft September 2004 Council Meeting Agenda

#### C. Groundfish Management

1. Initial Consideration of Status of Fisheries and Inseason Adjustments (If Necessary)
2. NMFS Report
3. Final Consideration of 2004 Inseason Adjustments
4. Groundfish Essential Fish Habitat Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Analytical Framework—Fishing Gear Impact Model Component.
5. Preliminary Consideration of Exempted Fishing Permit Applications for 2005-06
6. Monitoring Program Alternatives for the Shore-based Pacific Whiting Fishery
7. Update on Trawl Individual Quota Program
8. Adoption of 2005-2006 Groundfish Management Measures

#### D. Enforcement Issues

1. Preliminary Report on Contact to Violation Ratio in Groundfish Recreational Fisheries

#### E. Habitat

1. Current Habitat Issues

#### F. Coastal Pelagic Species Management

1. NMFS Report
2. Pacific Mackerel Harvest Guideline for 2004/2005 Season
3. Fishery Management Plan Amendment—Sardine Allocation

#### G. Marine Protected Areas

1. Federal Waters Portion of the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary Schedule Update
2. Scientific and Statistical Committee Review of Marine Reserves Issues
3. Update on Miscellaneous Marine Protected Area Activities
4. Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary Krill Harvest Ban Proposal

#### *Schedule of Ancillary Meetings*

*Sunday, June 13, 2004*

Scoping Session on Dedicated Access Privilege EIS—3 p.m.

*Monday, June 14, 2004*

Council Secretariat—8 a.m.

Groundfish Advisory Subpanel—8 a.m.

Groundfish Management Team—8 a.m.

Scientific and Statistical Committee—8 a.m.

Habitat Committee—9 a.m.  
Essential Fish Habitat Environmental Impact Statement—Joint Session—9:30 a.m.

Legislative Committee—11 a.m.  
Budget Committee—2 p.m.  
Enforcement Consultants—4 p.m.

*Tuesday, June 15, 2004*

Council Secretariat—7 a.m.  
California State Delegation—7 a.m.  
Oregon State Delegation—7 a.m.  
Washington State Delegation—7 a.m.  
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel—8 a.m.  
Groundfish Management Team—8 a.m.  
Scientific and Statistical Committee—8 a.m.  
Enforcement Consultants—As necessary.

*Wednesday, June 16, 2004*

Council Secretariat—7 a.m.  
California State Delegation—7 a.m.  
Oregon State Delegation—7 a.m.  
Washington State Delegation—7 a.m.  
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel—8 a.m.  
Groundfish Management Team—8 a.m.  
Enforcement Consultants—As necessary.

*Thursday, June 17, 2004*

Council Secretariat—7 a.m.  
California State Delegation—7 a.m.  
Oregon State Delegation—7 a.m.  
Washington State Delegation—7 a.m.  
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel—8 a.m.  
Groundfish Management Team—8 a.m.  
Enforcement Consultants—As necessary.

*Friday, June 18, 2004*

Council Secretariat—7 a.m.  
California State Delegation—7 a.m.  
Oregon State Delegation—7 a.m.  
Washington State Delegation—7 a.m.  
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel—As necessary.  
Groundfish Management Team—8 a.m.  
Enforcement Consultants—As necessary.

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Dated: May 25, 2004.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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**South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a joint meeting of the Council's Mackerel Committee and the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council's Mackerel Committee, a joint meeting of the South Atlantic Council's Mackerel Committee and Mackerel Advisory Panel, and meetings of its Mackerel Committee, Scientific and Statistical Committee, Advisory Panel Selection Committee, Standard Operating Policy and Procedure (SOPPs) Committee, Shrimp Committee and Ecosystem-Based Management Committee. In addition, there will be a meeting of the full Council.

**DATES:** The meetings will be held in June 2004. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

**ADDRESSES:** The meetings will be held at the Pier House, 1 Duval Street, Key West, FL 33040; telephone: (1-800) 327-8340 or (305) 296-4600, fax: 305/296-7569.

Copies of documents are available from Kim Iverson, Public Information Officer, South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, One Southpark Circle, Suite 306, Charleston, SC 29407-4699.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kim Iverson, Public Information Officer; telephone: 843-571-4366 or toll free at 866/SAFMC-10; fax: 843-769-4520; e-mail: [kim.iverson@safmc.net](mailto:kim.iverson@safmc.net).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Meeting Dates**

1. *Joint South Atlantic and Gulf Mackerel Committees Meeting:* June 14, 2004, 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. and June 15, 2004, 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

There will be a joint meeting of the South Atlantic and Gulf Mackerel Committees to review public comment on Amendment 15 to the Coastal Migratory Pelagics Fishery Management Plan regarding the current mackerel permit moratorium. Each committee will develop recommendations for Amendment 15 for public hearing. The Committees will also receive presentations regarding the Southeast Data, Assessment and Review (SEDAR) stock assessment process for mackerel, including reviews by the Scientific and Statistical Committees from each council, and discuss recommendations. During the joint meeting, the committees will also review items to be included in Amendment 16 and make recommendations to staff for amendment development.

2. *Joint Mackerel Committee and Advisory Panel Meeting:* June 16, 2004, 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m.

There will be a joint meeting of the South Atlantic Council's Mackerel Committee and Advisory Panel to review Amendment 15 (permit moratorium), mackerel SEDAR stock assessment results and Amendment 16. The Advisory Panel will develop recommendations for the Committee to consider for each agenda item and the Committee will then finalize its recommendations for the full Council. In addition, the meeting participants will receive an update on the status of bycatch data collection and analysis and an overview on the Council's current efforts regarding ecosystem-based management.

3. *South Atlantic Mackerel Committee Meeting:* June 17, 2004, 8:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m.

The Mackerel Committee will discuss and consider any additional committee action needed for Amendment 15 (permit moratorium) and Amendment 16 to the Coastal Migratory Pelagics FMP.

4. *Scientific and Statistical Selection Committee Meeting (Closed Session):* June 17, 2004, 10:30 a.m. until 12 noon.

The Scientific and Statistical Selection Committee will discuss the role and structure of the SSC, review current membership, develop