

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

[I.D. 040706B]

Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold the annual meeting of the Council Bottomfish Plan Team (BPT).

DATES: The meeting of the BPT will be held on April 25 through April 27, 2006. For specific times, and the agenda, see

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

ADDRESSES: The meeting of the BPT will be held at the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council conference room, 1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director; telephone: (808) 522-8220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The BPT will meet on April 25 through April 27, 2006 to discuss the following agenda items.

April 25, 2006, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

1. Introductions, approval of draft agenda and assignment of rapporteurs
2. 2005 Annual Report
 - a. Review 2005 Annual Report modules and recommendations for American Samoa, Guam, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI), Administration, Protected Resources and Enforcement.
 - b. 2005 Annual Report Region-wide recommendations
 - c. Review of Annual Report Format and Structure
3. Maximum Sustainable Yield/Overfishing
 - a. Status of the Stock Report
 - b. Stock Assessment Review Process
 - c. Discussion and Recommendations

April 26, 2006, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

4. Status of Management Actions, Monitoring and Assessment
 - a. Guam 50/50 Amendment
 - b. CNMI 40/50 amendment
 - c. Northwestern Hawaiian Islands (NWHI) Bottomfish Management
 - i. NWHI Sanctuary Designation
 - ii. Council Draft Regulations
 - d. Main Hawaiian Islands Bottomfish Amendment and Supplementary Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS)

- e. Monitoring and Assessment Initiatives
 - i. Bottom Camera Update
 - ii. Genetic Research
 - iii. Acoustic Tracking Projects
 - iv. Cooperative Research
 - v. Guam Offshore Bank Monitoring
- f. Discussion and Recommendations

April 27, 2006, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

5. Plan Team Recommendations
6. Other Business

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 identified in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, (808) 522-8220 (voice) or (808) 522-8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: April 7, 2006.

Tracey L. Thompson,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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U.S. Climate Change Science Program Synthesis and Assessment Product Prospectus

ACTION: Notice of availability and request for public comments.

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration publishes this notice to announce the availability of the draft Prospectus for one of the U.S. Climate Change Science Program (CCSP) Synthesis and Assessment Products (Products) for public comment.

This draft Prospectus addresses the following CCSP Topic:

Product 3.3 Climate Extremes: Analysis of the Observed Changes and Variations and Prospects for the Future.

After consideration of comments received on the draft Prospectus, the final Prospectus along with the comments received will be published on the CCSP web site.

DATES: Comments must be received by May 12, 2006.

ADDRESSES: The draft Prospectus is posted on the CCSP Program Office web site. The web addresses to access the draft Prospectus is: <http://www.climatescience.gov/Library/sap/sap3-3/default.htm>

Detailed instructions for making comments on the draft Prospectus is provided with the Prospectus. Comments should be prepared in accordance with these instructions.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Vanessa Richardson, Climate Change Science Program Office, 1717 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 250, Washington, DC 20006, Telephone: (202) 419-3465.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The CCSP was established by the President in 2002 to coordinate and integrate scientific research on global change and climate change sponsored by 13 participating departments and agencies of the U.S. Government. The CCSP is charged with preparing information resources that support climate-related discussions and decisions, including scientific synthesis and assessment analyses that support evaluation of important policy issues. The Prospectus addressed by this notice provides a topical overview and describes plans for scoping, drafting, reviewing, producing, and disseminating one of 21 final synthesis and assessment Products that will be produced by the CCSP.

Dated: April 6, 2006.

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Vice Admiral, U.S. Navy (Ret.), Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere.

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

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Endangered Species; File No. 1572

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and