

Issuance of this permit, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such permit: (1) was applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of such endangered species; and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Documents may be reviewed in the following locations:

Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301)713-2289; fax (301)427-2521;

Northwest Region, NMFS, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, BIN C15700, Bldg. 1, Seattle, WA 98115-0700; phone (206)526-6150; fax (206)526-6426;

Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213; phone (562)980-4001; fax (562)980-4018; and

Pacific Islands Region, NMFS, 1601 Kapiolani Blvd., Rm 1110, Honolulu, HI 96814-4700; phone (808)973-2935; fax (808)973-2941.

Dated: February 6, 2008.

Tammy C. Adams,

Acting Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN: 0648-XF61

New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and 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 Scallop Survey Advisory Panel in March, 2008 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: This meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 4, 2008, at 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be held at the NMFS Observer Training Center, Falmouth Technology Park, 25 Bernard Saint Jean Drive, East Falmouth, MA 02536; telephone: (508) 495-2397; fax: (508) 495-2124.

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 panel will review Scallop Survey Advisory Panel (SSAP) terms of reference; determine how previous SSAP work applies; determine scope of future SSAP work to meet the terms of reference. The panel will also discuss and approve new dredge gear deployment and use for the 2008 survey. The panel will discuss expansion of state or federal surveys into the Gulf of Maine and other unsurveyed areas. The panel will also discuss future development and integration of photographic/video and acoustic technology into the standard scallop surveys. Other business will be discussed if time allows.

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, Executive Director, at (978) 465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: February 8, 2008.

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

RIN: 0648-XF60

North Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The North Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands (BSAI) Crab Advisory Committee, in Anchorage, AK.

DATES: The meeting will be held on March 2, 2007, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Hilton Hotel, 500 West 3rd Avenue, King Salmon Room, Anchorage, AK 99501.

Council Address: North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 W. 4th Ave., Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501-2252.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark Fina, North Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: (907) 271-2809.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee will have discussions on the following items: purpose and need statement; potential elements and options; crew proposal and alternatives to those proposals; data issues; community protections; possible emergency relief from regionalization; arbitration issues.

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

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Gail Bendixen, (907) 271-2809, at least 5 working days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: February 8, 2008.

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

RIN: 0648-XF38

Western Pacific Regional 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 97th meeting of the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council's (Council) Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) will convene Monday, March 3, 2008, through Thursday March 6, 2008.

See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific times, dates, and agenda items.

ADDRESSES: The SSC meeting will be held at the Council Office Conference Room, 1164 Bishop St., Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI; telephone: (808) 522-8220.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Dates and Times and Locations

The SSC meeting will be held between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Monday, March 3, 2008, and between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, March 4-6, 2008.

Monday, March 3, 2008, 9 a.m.

1. Introductions
2. Approval of Draft Agenda and Assignment of Rapporteurs
3. Approval of the Minutes of the 96th SSC Meeting
4. Report from the Pacific Fisheries Science Center Director
5. Insular Fisheries
 - A. Update on Status of Main Hawaiian Islands (MHI) Bottomfish Management and Monitoring
 1. Data Collection, Processing and Analysis
 - a. Catch Reports
 - b. Dealer Reports
 - c. Delinquencies
 2. Review annual data by month for last three years
 3. Federal regulations
 4. State rules and regulations
 5. Report on economic performance
 - B. Bottomfish Risk Assessment Model (Action Item)
 - C. In-Situ Recording of Hawaiian Deep Reef Slopes and Seamounts
 - D. Hawaii Parrotfish Population Biology
 - E. Public Comment
 - F. Discussion and Action

Tuesday, March 4, 2008, 8:30 a.m.

6. Pelagic Fisheries
 - A. Longline Management
 1. Hawaii Swordfish Fishery Effort (Action Item)
 2. Mariana Archipelago Longline and Purse-Seine Closed Areas (Action Item)
 3. American Samoa Longline Program Modifications (Action Item)
 - B. Non-Longline Management
 1. American Samoa Purse-Seine Closed Area (Action Item)
 2. Non-Longline Pelagic Fishery Management (Action Item)
 - C. American Samoa and Hawaii Longline Quarterly Reports
 - D. Bycatch reduction strategies in the Hawaii LL fleet

- E. International Fisheries/Meetings
 1. Climate Impacts on Oceanic Top Predators (CLIOTOP)
 2. Western & Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC)
 3. Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC)
 4. North Pacific Regional Fishery Management Organization
 5. South Pacific Regional Fishery Management Organization
 6. International Scientific Committee Billfish Working Group
 - F. Public Comment
 - G. Discussion and Action
 7. Ecological Risk Assessment Workshop Report
 8. Marine Recreational Fisheries Information Program (MRIP)
 9. Protected Species
 - A. Loggerhead Petition
 - B. Loggerhead Workshop report
 - C. Pelagic Fisheries Research Program Albatross Population Dynamics Workshop Report
 - D. Potential Listing of Blackfooted Albatross under Endangered Species Act (ESA)
 - E. Update on ESA consultations

Wednesday, March 5, 2008, 8:30 a.m.

10. Maximum Sustainable Yield (MSY) Proxies Workshop

Thursday, March 6, 2008, 8:30 a.m.

11. Program Planning
 - A. 5 Year Research Plan
 - B. Cooperative Research Program
 - C. Pelagic Fisheries Research Program
 - D. Annual Catch Limits
 - E. Magnuson-Stevens Reauthorization Act (MSRA) Ecosystem-based Management Workshop
12. Other Business
 - A. 98th SSC Meeting
13. Summary of SSC Recommendations to the Council

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.*

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Tracey L. Thompson,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities Under OMB Review; Activities; Notice of Intent To Renew Collection 3038-0026, Gross Collection of Exchange-Set Margins for Omnibus Accounts

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comment. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected costs and burden; it includes the actual data collection instruments [if any].

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before March 14, 2008.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION OR A COPY CONTACT: Barbara S. Gold, Division of Clearing and Intermediary Oversight, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 1155 21st Street, NW., Washington, DC 20581, (202) 418-5430; Fax: (202) 418-5528; e-mail: bgold@cftc.gov and refer to OMB Control No. 3038-0026.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Gross Collection of Exchange-Set Margins for Omnibus Accounts (OMB Control No. 3038-0026). This is a request for extension of a currently approved information collection.

Abstract: Commission Regulation 1.58 requires futures commission merchants to collect exchange-set margin for omnibus accounts on a gross, rather than a net, basis. This rule is promulgated pursuant to the Commission's rulemaking authority contained in sections 4c, 4d, 4f, 4g and 8a of the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. 6c, 6d, 6f, 6g and 12a (2000).

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for the CFTC's regulations were published on December 30, 1981. See 46 FR 63035 (Dec. 30, 1981). The **Federal Register** notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on December 3, 2007 (72 FR 67919).

Burden statement: The respondent burden for this collection is estimated to average .08 hours per response. These estimates include the time needed to