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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 a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Pacific Council) Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) will hold a meeting that is open to the public.

DATES: The CPSMT will meet Tuesday, April 27, 2010, through Friday, April 30, 2010. The meeting will begin each day at 8:30 a.m. and conclude at 5 p.m. or until business is completed each day.

ADDRESSES: The CPSMT meeting will be held at the Pacific Fishery Management Council Offices, Large Conference Room, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220; telephone: (503) 820-2280.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kerry Griffin, Staff Officer; telephone: (503) 820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the meeting is to develop alternative amendments to the Pacific Council's Coastal Pelagic Species (CPS) Fishery Management Plan (FMP) in response to new requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA) including, overfishing levels (OFLs), acceptable biological catch (ABC), and annual catch limits (ACLs). The CPSMT will discuss CPS FMP amendment alternatives and develop a work plan for completing review materials for the June 2010 meeting of the Pacific Council. The CPSMT will also discuss the pending Essential Fish Habitat five-year review; the 2010 Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation document; Pacific mackerel research and management; and other issues relating to CPS management.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may come before the CPSMT for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of

formal CPSMT action during this meeting. CPSMT 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 Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the CPSMT'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 Ms. Carolyn Porter at (503) 820-2280 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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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) will hold a three-day Council meeting on April 27-29, 2010 to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).

DATES: The meeting will begin on each of the three days at 8:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Mystic Hilton Hotel, 20 Coogan Boulevard, Mystic, CT 06355; telephone: (860) 572-0731; fax: (860) 572-0328.

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:

Tuesday, April 27, 2010

Following any introductions and announcements, the Council meeting will begin with a series of brief reports

from the Council Chairman and Executive Director, the NOAA Fisheries Northeast Regional Administrator, Northeast Fisheries Science Center and Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council liaisons, as well as NOAA General Counsel, representatives of the U.S. Coast Guard and the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission and NOAA Enforcement. These reports will be followed by a review of any experimental fishery permit applications that have been received since the last Council meeting. There will be a brief review of several policy changes to the Council's Handbook and a vote on those changes. The Herring Committee will then report on the details of its recommendation concerning the timing of the next Atlantic herring benchmark assessment, as well as provide the full Council with an overview of discussions to date on the development of Amendment 5 to the Atlantic Herring Fishery Management Plan (FMP). Following a lunch break the Habitat Committee will review the development of Omnibus Amendment 2 management alternatives to minimize any adverse effects of fishing on essential fish habitat. The Monkfish Committee will ask for approval of final action on Amendment 5 to the Monkfish FMP. Measures under consideration include annual catch limits and accountability measures, along with days-at-sea and trip limits for 2011-2013 and other modifications.

Wednesday, April 28, 2010

The second day of the Council meeting will begin with a review of the most recent Interspecies Committee discussions. Topics will include fishery management plan restructuring and/or consolidation; setting accumulation limits for the Northeast multispecies fishery, including possible control dates for the limits to become effective; and a committee work plan.

There will be a presentation by scientists from the Universities of CT and RI titled "Goals and Concerns of Fishery Stakeholder in the Development of Catch Share Management in NE." The Council's Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) will report after a lunch break on its recommendations for revised skate and red crab Acceptable Biological Catch levels. The Council will consider action for both the Skate and Red Crab FMPs after the SSC report. Fishery management measures in each plan may be modified.

Thursday, April 29, 2010

The Council's Groundfish Committee will discuss and possibly select alternative rebuilding strategies for