

above. The request should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this application would be appropriate.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kristy Beard or Amy Hapeman,
(301)427-8401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR 222-226).

The applicant requests a five-year permit to conduct research on leatherback, loggerhead, green, hawksbill, olive ridley, and Kemp's ridley sea turtles in the Atlantic Ocean, Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea and their tributaries. The purpose of the research is to evaluate modifications to commercial fishing gear to mitigate sea turtle interactions and capture under two projects, Project A (Turtle Excluder Device Evaluations in Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico Trawl Fisheries) and Project B (Modifications to Longline Fisheries Gear). These evaluations and subsequent gear modifications could help to reduce incidental turtle bycatch in the gear types studied and provide data to improve stock assessments, assess the impact of anthropogenic activities, and better manage and recover these species. Annual requested take numbers under Project A are: 225 loggerheads, 98 Kemp's ridleys, 82 leatherbacks, 47 greens, 33 hawksbills, 33 olive ridleys, and 85 unidentified/hybrid turtles. A subset of these animals would be captured during trawl research; the rest of the turtles would be captured within fisheries managed by another Federal authority. Annual requested take numbers under Project B are: 28 loggerheads, 3 Kemp's ridleys, 30 leatherbacks, 4 greens, 4 hawksbills, 3 olive ridleys, and 3 unidentified/hybrid turtles. All animals would be handled, measured, weighed, photographed, flipper tagged, passive integrated transponder tagged, skin biopsied, and released.

Dated: June 21, 2011.

P. Michael Payne,

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-XA512

Caribbean 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 Catch Share Panel of the Caribbean Fishery Management Council will hold a public meeting to discuss the issues contained in the enclosed agenda.

DATES: The meeting will be held on July 20, 2011, from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn Hotel in Mayaguez, Puerto Rico.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Caribbean Fishery Management Council, 268 Munoz Rivera Avenue, Suite 1108, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918-2577; *telephone:* (787) 766-5926.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Catch Share Panel of The Caribbean Fishery Management Council will hold a public meeting to discuss the following agenda items:

- Discussion Outline of Work Done and Schedule of Meetings.
- Next Surveys:
 - Landings Data.
 - Socio-Economic Aspects Deep-Water Fish Fishery.
- Other Issues.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Simultaneous interpretation will be provided (English-Spanish) if necessary. For more information or request for sign language interpretation and other auxiliary aids, please contact Mr. Miguel A. Rolon, Executive Director, Caribbean Fishery Management Council, 268 Munoz Rivera Avenue, Suite 1108, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 00918-2577; *telephone:* (787) 766-5926, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: June 21, 2011.

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-XA519

Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Council to convene a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council will convene a meeting of the Ad Hoc Commercial Reef Fish Individual Fishing Quota (IFQ) Advisory Panel.

DATES: The meeting will convene from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, July 14, 2011.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 North Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607; *telephone:* (813) 348-1630.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 N. Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Assane Diagne, Economist; Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; *telephone:* (813) 348-1630.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Ad Hoc Commercial Reef Fish Individual Fishing Quota (IFQ) Advisory Panel IFQ advisory panel will discuss issues related to the design, implementation, evaluation, and monitoring of reef fish IFQ programs in the Gulf of Mexico.

Copies of the agenda and other related materials can be obtained by calling (813) 348-1630 or can be downloaded from the Council's ftp site, ftp.gulfcouncil.org.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agenda may come before the Scientific and Statistical Committees for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Actions of the Advisory Panel will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda 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 action to address the emergency.