

September 28, 2011. Foreign National registrants must provide full name, title, country of citizenship, date of birth, passport number, and passport expiration date when registering.

Because seating space is limited, we may have to limit the number of attendees in order of date and time of registration.

#### Maritime Administration Docket

In order to provide the public with alternative means of providing feedback to MarAd in ways that may better suit their needs, we have provided a docket at <http://regs.dot.gov> to allow for submissions to MarAd in a less formal manner. The MarAd Docket provides members of the public who do not wish to make a presentation, cannot make a presentation, or who wish to add other comments, an opportunity to submit their ideas about our Cargo Preference regulatory review.

To ensure that comments are most useful in informing our deliberation and decision process, you should include the docket number (MARAD 2001–0121), the citation to the regulation on which you are commenting (e.g., 46 CFR 381.5), a description of any concerns regarding the regulation, and any supporting information that would assist MarAd in making a decision. To go directly to the Web site use the following link: <http://regs.dot.gov>.

#### Follow-Up Action by MarAd

Comments received during our review will provide meaningful and significant information for senior MarAd officials assessing the cargo preference regulatory process. The recorded webcast video will remain available following the meeting via a link from our Web site at <http://www.marad.dot.gov>.

#### Privacy Act Statement

Anyone is able to search all comments entered into any of our dockets by the name of the individual submitting the comment (or signing the comment, if submitted on behalf of an association, business, labor union, etc.). You may review DOT's complete Privacy Act Statement in the **Federal Register** published on April 11, 2000 (65 FR 19476, 04/11/2011) or at <http://www.dot.gov/privacy.html>.

**Authority:** 5 U.S.C. 610; E.O., 13563, 76 FR 3821, Jan. 21, 2011; E.O. 12866, 58 FR 51735, Oct. 4, 1993.

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By Order of the Maritime Administrator  
Maritime Subsidy Board.

Dated: September 14, 2011.

**Julie Agarwal,**

*Secretary, Maritime Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

### Fish and Wildlife Service

#### 50 CFR Part 17

[Docket No. FWS–R3–ES–2011–0029; 92220–1113–000; ABC Code: C6]

RIN 1018–AX57

#### Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Revising the List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife for the Gray Wolf (*Canis lupus*) in the Eastern United States

**AGENCY:** Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; supplementary materials.

**SUMMARY:** On May 5, 2011, we, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, published a proposed rule to reevaluate the listing of the Minnesota population of gray wolves (*Canis lupus*) under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended, and revise the listing to conform to current statutory and policy requirements. On August 26, 2011, we announced the reopening of the comment period for our May 5, 2011, proposed rule to provide for public review and comment of additional information regarding our recognition of *C. lycaon* as a separate species. We are publishing this notice to inform the public that supplementary materials are electronically available at <http://www.regulations.gov>.

**DATES:** The comment period closes on close of business September 26, 2011. Any comments that we receive after the closing date may not be considered in the final decision on this action.

#### ADDRESSES:

*Document availability:* See

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for information on how to access the supplementary materials.

*Comment submission:* You may submit comments by one of the following methods:

*Electronically:* Go to the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. In the Enter Keyword or ID box, enter FWS–R3–ES–2011–0029, which is the docket number for this rulemaking. Then, in the Search panel at the top of the screen, under the Document Type heading, click on the

Proposed Rules link to locate this document. You may submit a comment by clicking on “Submit a Comment.”

*By hard copy:* Submit by U.S. mail or hand-delivery to: Public Comments Processing, Attn: FWS–R3–ES–2011–0029, Division of Policy and Directives Management, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, MS 2042–PDM, Arlington, VA 22203.

We will post all comments on <http://www.regulations.gov>. This generally means that we will post any personal information you provide us (see the *Public Comments Solicited* section below for more information).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Laura Ragan, 612–713–5350. Direct all questions or requests for additional information to: Gray Wolf Questions, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Ecological Services, 5600 American Blvd. West, Suite 990, Bloomington, MN 55437–1458. Additional information is also available on our Web site at <http://www.fws.gov/midwest/wolf>. Individuals who are hearing-impaired or speech-impaired may call the Federal Relay Service at 1–800–877–8337 for TTY assistance.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Background

In the August 26, 2011, **Federal Register** (76 FR 53379), we announced the reopening of the comment period for our May 5, 2011, proposed rule (76 FR 26086) to provide for public review and comment of additional information regarding our recognition of the eastern wolf, *Canis lycaon*, as a separate species, including, in particular, a manuscript prepared by Service employees that is currently undergoing review for publication (Chambers *et al.*, in prep.). In recognition of intellectual property right laws, the manuscript made available on August 26 provided readers with references to the sources of nine copyrighted figures, but did not include the figures themselves. We have since obtained approval to include the nine copyrighted figures in the manuscript made available for public review. On September 7, 2011, we posted the manuscript with the nine copyrighted figures at <http://www.regulations.gov> at Docket No. FWS–R3–ES–2011–0029 to replace the version made available on August 26.

##### Public Comments Solicited

We intend that any final action resulting from this proposal will be as accurate and as effective as possible. Therefore, we hereby request data, comments, new information, or suggestions from the public, other

concerned governmental agencies, the scientific community, Tribes, industry, or any other interested party concerning this proposed rule. We particularly seek comments concerning:

(1) The taxonomic classification of wolves in the midwestern and northeastern United States as described in a Service manuscript prepared by Chambers et al., in particular the recognition of the eastern wolf (*Canis lycaon*) as a full species.

(2) Any other relevant information regarding wolves in eastern North America.

You may submit your comments and materials concerning this proposed rule by one of the methods listed in **ADDRESSES**. We request that you send comments only by the methods described in **ADDRESSES**. Comments must be submitted to <http://www.regulations.gov> before midnight (Eastern Daylight Time) on the date specified in **DATES**. All comments that were submitted during the earlier public comment period will be included as part of the administrative record for this action and need not be resubmitted.

We will post your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—on <http://www.regulations.gov>. If you provide personal identifying information, such as your street address, phone number, or e-mail address, you may request at the top of your document that we withhold this information from public review. However, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Comments and materials we receive, as well as supporting documentation we used in preparing this proposed rule including the Chambers et al. manuscript (in prep), will be available for public inspection on <http://www.regulations.gov> at Docket No. FWS-R3-ES-2011-0029; on the Service's Internet site at <http://www.fws.gov/midwest/wolf/>; or by appointment, during normal business hours at the following Ecological Services offices:

- Twin Cities, Minnesota Ecological Services Field Office, 4101 American Blvd. E., Bloomington, MN; 612-725-3548.
- Green Bay, Wisconsin Ecological Services Field Office, 2661 Scott Tower Dr., New Franken, WI; 920-866-1717.
- East Lansing, Michigan Ecological Services Field Office, 2651 Coolidge Road, Suite 101, East Lansing, MI; 517-351-2555.
- New England Ecological Services Field Office, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 70 Commercial St., Suite 300, Concord, NH; 603-223-2541.

Dated: September 12, 2011.

**Daniel M. Ashe,**

*Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### 50 CFR Part 648

[Docket No. 110816505-1506-01]

RIN 0648-BB39

#### Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fisheries, Small-Mesh Multispecies Secretarial Amendment

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

**ACTION:** Advance notice of proposed rulemaking; request for comments; notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS is requesting public comments on its initiation of a Secretarial Amendment to implement annual catch limits (ACLs) and measures to ensure accountability (AMs) in the small-mesh multispecies fishery. NMFS is initiating the Secretarial Amendment because the New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is not able to develop and submit Amendment 19 to establish ACLs and AMs for the small-mesh multispecies fishery as required by the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act), until well past the statutory deadline of 2011. As required by the Magnuson-Stevens Act, NMFS is announcing four public meetings to allow interested parties the opportunity to provide input on the action.

**DATES:** Written comments regarding the issues in this advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPR) must be received by 5 p.m. local time, on October 19, 2011. Meetings to obtain additional comments on the items discussed in this ANPR will be held on:

- Monday, October 3, 2011 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, October 4, 2011 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, October 11, 2011 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, October 12, 2011 from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meetings will be held in:

- East Setauket, NY.
- Toms River, NJ.
- Gloucester, MA.
- Narragansett, RI.

For specific locations, see

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.** You may also submit comments on this document, identified by NOAA-NMFS-2011-0206, by any of the following methods:

- *Electronic Submission:* Submit all electronic public comments via the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal <http://www.regulations.gov>. To submit comments via the e-Rulemaking Portal, first click the "Submit a Comment" icon, then enter NOAA-NMFS-2011-0206 in the keyword search. Locate the document you wish to comment on from the resulting list and click on the "Submit a Comment" icon on the right of that line.

- *Mail:* Submit written comments to Patricia A. Kurkul, Regional Administrator, NMFS, Northeast Regional Office, 55 Great Republic Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930. Mark the outside of the envelope, "Comments on Whiting Secretarial."

- *Fax:* 978-281-9135; Attn: Moira Kelly.

*Instructions:* Comments must be submitted by one of the above methods to ensure that the comments are received, documented, and considered by NMFS. Comments sent by any other method, to any other address or individual, or received after the end of the comment period, may not be considered. All comments received are a part of the public record and will generally be posted for public viewing on <http://www.regulations.gov> without change. All personal identifying information (e.g., name, address, etc.) submitted voluntarily by the sender will be publicly accessible. Do not submit confidential business information, or otherwise sensitive or protected information. NMFS will accept anonymous comments (enter "N/A" in the required fields if you wish to remain anonymous). Attachments to electronic comments will be accepted in Microsoft Word or Excel, WordPerfect, or Adobe PDF file formats only.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Moira Kelly, Fishery Policy Analyst, (978) 281-9218, [moira.kelly@noaa.gov](mailto:moira.kelly@noaa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Under the Magnuson-Stevens Act at § 304(c)(1)(A), the Secretary of Commerce may develop an amendment for a council-managed fishery, if the responsible council "fails to develop and submit to the Secretary, after a reasonable period of time, a [\* \* \*] necessary amendment \* \* \*". The Magnuson-Stevens Act requires all