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Done in Washington, DC, this 9th day of April 2012.

**Kevin Shea,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XB166

#### Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Hearings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public hearings.

**SUMMARY:** The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold public hearings in April and May of 2012 to allow for public input on Amendment 14 to the Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish (MSB) Fishery Management Plan (FMP).

**DATES:** Written public comments must be received before 5 p.m. EST, Monday, June 4, 2012. The hearings will be held between April 30 and May 22, 2012. For specific dates and times, see

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** below.

**ADDRESSES:** The hearings will be held (chronologically) in Alexandria, VA; Riverhead, NY; Newport News, VA; Cape May, NJ; Gloucester, MA; and Providence, RI. The Newport News hearing will also be available via webinar. For specific locations and webinar access, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** below. Written comments should be mailed to the Council office at the address below and marked "AMENDMENT 14." The public hearing document can be obtained by contacting

the Council at the address below or at <http://www.mafmc.org/fmp/msb.htm>.

**Council address:** Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N. State Street, Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674-2331.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christopher M. Moore Ph.D., Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N. State Street, Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 526-5255.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Amendment 14 deals with incidental catch and general management of blueback herring, alewife, American shad, and hickory shad (river herrings and shads or "RH/S") in the MSB FMP. The Amendment has three purposes: (A) Implement Effective RH/S Catch Monitoring; (B) Reduce RH/S Bycatch and/or Catch; and (C) Consider if RH/S should be added as species directly managed by the Council. There are 9 alternative sets that consider the following management measures:

Alternative Set 1: Additional Vessel Reporting Measures;

Alternative Set 2: Additional Dealer Reporting Measures;

Alternative Set 3: Additional At-Sea Observation Optimization Measures;

Alternative Set 4: Port-side and Other Sampling/Monitoring Measures;

Alternative Set 5: At-Sea Observer Coverage Requirements;

Alternative Set 6: Mortality Caps on RH/S catch in the MSB fisheries.

Alternative Set 7: Large area restrictions on the MSB fisheries in areas of high RH/S catch;

Alternative Set 8: Smaller hotspot restrictions on the MSB fisheries in areas of high RH/S catch;

Alternative Set 9: Adding RH/S as "Stocks in the Fishery" in the MSB FMP.

Summaries of the proposed actions will be available and presented at the hearings. The full Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) that analyzes the proposed actions is available by contacting the Council office or at <http://www.mafmc.org/fmp/msb.htm> after April 16th. The scheduled public hearings follow. If no one is present halfway through a hearing or later, the hearing may be closed. Some GPS navigation units may provide faulty directions for these locations so call ahead with the number provided if unfamiliar with a hearing location. All hearings will be digitally recorded and saved as transcripts of the hearing.

*April 30, 2012:* 5:30-7:30 p.m.; Crowne Plaza Hotel Old Town; 901 North Fairfax Street; Alexandria, VA, telephone: (703) 683-6000.

*May 15, 2012:* 7-9 p.m.; Hyatt Place Long Island/East End; 451 East Main Street; Riverhead, NY, telephone: (631) 208-0002.

*May 16, 2012:* 6-8 p.m.; Available via Internet webinar (<https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/887273248>). There will also be a listening station at: The Virginia Marine Resources Commission; 2600 Washington Avenue; Newport News, VA, telephone: (757) 247-2200.

*May 17, 2012:* 7-9 p.m.; Congress Hall Hotel; 29 Perry St; Cape May, NJ, telephone: (609) 884-8421.

*May 21, 2012:* 6-8 p.m.; Annisquam River Marine Fisheries Station; 30 Emerson Ave; Gloucester, MA, telephone: (978) 282-0308.

*May 22, 2012:* 5:30-7:30 p.m.; Radisson Hotel Providence Airport; 2081 Post Road; Warwick, RI, telephone: (401) 739-3000.

#### Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to M. Jan Saunders at the Mid-Atlantic Council Office (302) 526-5251 at least five days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: April 10, 2012.

**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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#### Fisheries of the South Atlantic; South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting of the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council's Technical Shrimp Review Panel.

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (SAFMC) will hold a meeting of its Technical Shrimp Review Panel via Webinar. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**DATES:** The meeting will take place May 2, 2012. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held via webinar. The webinar is open to

members of the public. Those interested in participating should contact Kim Iverson (See **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) to request an invitation providing webinar access information.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kim Iverson, Public Information Officer, South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N. Charleston, SC, 29405; telephone: (843) 571-4366 or toll free (866) SAFMC-10; fax: (843) 769-4520; email: [kim.iverson@safmc.net](mailto:kim.iverson@safmc.net).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Members of the Shrimp Review Panel will meet via webinar from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. on May 2, 2012. The focus of the meeting will be to recommend changes in the biological parameters and survey methods used in determining the stock abundance of pink shrimp. This information will be used in developing Amendment 9 to the Shrimp Fishery Management Plan, which includes an action for revising methods to be better determine the Minimum Stock Size Threshold (MSST) for pink shrimp.

#### Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (see **ADDRESSES**) 3 days prior to the meeting.

**Note:** The times and sequence specified in this agenda are subject to change.

Dated: April 10, 2012.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a meeting of its Pelagics Plan Team (PPT) in Honolulu, HI to discuss fishery issues and develop recommendations for future management.

**DATES:** The meeting of the PPT will be held between May 15, 2012 and May 17

2012, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Council Office Conference Room, Western Pacific Fishery Management Council, 1164 Bishop St., Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI 96813; telephone: (808) 522-8220.

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

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The PPT will meet at the Council Conference Room to discuss the following agenda items:

#### Tuesday, May 15, 2012, 8:30 a.m.

1. Introduction
2. Annual Report review
  - a. Review of 2011 Annual Report modules and recommendations
    - i. Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI)
    - ii. American Samoa
    - iii. Guam
    - iv. Hawaii
    - v. International
    - vi. Recreational
  - b. 2011 Annual Report region wide recommendations

#### Wednesday–Thursday, May 16–17, 2012, 8:30 a.m.

3. Hawaii pelagics annual report module changes
4. American Samoa annual report module changes
5. Summary of current Pelagics Fishery Ecosystem Plan amendment actions
6. Value of marker ( $\leq 100$  pounds) bigeye tuna in relation to proposed False Killer Whale management measures
7. Outcomes of the eighth meeting of the Western and Central Pacific Fishery Commission
8. Other business
9. Public comment
10. Pelagic Plan Team Recommendations

The order in which the agenda items are addressed may change. The PPT will meet as late as necessary to complete scheduled business.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before the PPT for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Plan Team action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any issue arising after publication of this document that requires 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 10, 2012.

**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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#### NCAnet: Building a Network of Networks in Support of the National Climate Assessment (NCA)

**AGENCY:** Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces the establishment of and invites participation in NCAnet, a network of partners who extend the National Climate Assessment (NCA) process and products to a broad audience of assessment users through the development of assessment-related capacities and products, such as collection and synthesis of data or other technical and scientific information relevant to current and future NCA reports, dissemination of NCA report findings to various users of assessment information, engagement of assessment information producers and users, supporting NCA events, and producing communications materials related to the NCA and NCA report findings.

**DATES:** Comments and expressions of interest may be submitted at any time and will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

**ADDRESSES:** General inquiries and expressions of interest should be submitted via email to Emily Therese Cloyd, NCA Public Participation and Engagement Coordinator, at [ecloyd@usgcrp.gov](mailto:ecloyd@usgcrp.gov). Prospective partners may also use the online submission tool at <http://ncanet.usgcrp.gov/home/signup> to submit their expression of interest.

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