

three key sanctuary user groups—commercial fishers, for-hire recreational dive operations, and for-hire recreational fishing operations (charter and party/head boat operations)—with questions focusing on: (1) General information, economic information, and trip costs; and (2) knowledge, attitudes, and perceptions of sanctuary management strategies and regulations.

In 2011–2012, the for-hire dive and fishing industry interviews were completed. The commercial fisheries interviews were not begun due to lack of funding; NMFS have the funding now and expect to complete these interviews. The for-hire dive and fishing industries are dynamic with entry and exit of businesses. We estimate the possibility of up to four new businesses over the next three years.

## II. Method of Collection

Interviews will be conducted face-to-face and recorded on paper forms.

## III. Data

*OMB Control Number:* 0648–0597.

*Form Number:* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission (extension of a currently approved collection).

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 27.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 3 hours per interview.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 81.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$0 in recordkeeping/reporting costs.

## IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: August 7, 2012.

**Gwellnar Banks,**

*Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### U.S. Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS®) Advisory Committee

**AGENCY:** National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of a meeting of the U.S. Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS®) Advisory Committee (Committee) in Washington, DC.

**DATES AND TIMES:** The meeting will be held on Wednesday August 29, 2012, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Thursday August 30, 2012, from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. These times and the agenda topics described below are subject to change. Refer to the Web page listed below for the most up-to-date meeting agenda.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Consortium for Ocean Leadership, 1201 New York Ave. NW., Washington, DC, 20005.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jessica Snowden, Alternate Designated Federal Official, U.S. IOOS Advisory Committee, U.S. IOOS Program, 1100 Wayne Ave. Suite 1225, Silver Spring, MD 20910; Phone 301–427–2453; Fax 301–427–2073; Email [jessica.snowden@noaa.gov](mailto:jessica.snowden@noaa.gov) or visit the U.S. IOOS Advisory Committee Web site at [http://www.ioos.gov/about/governance/ioos\\_advisory\\_committee.html](http://www.ioos.gov/about/governance/ioos_advisory_committee.html).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Committee was established by the NOAA Administrator as directed by Section 12304 of the Integrated Coastal and Ocean Observation System Act, part of the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 111–11). The Committee will advise the NOAA Administrator and the Interagency Ocean Observation Committee (IOOC) on matters related to the responsibilities and authorities set forth in section 12302 of the Integrated Coastal and Ocean Observation System Act of 2009 and other appropriate matters as the Under Secretary refers to the Committee for review and advice.

### The Committee will provide advice on

(a) Administration, operation, management, and maintenance of the System;

(b) expansion and periodic modernization and upgrade of technology components of the System;

(c) identification of end-user communities, their needs for information provided by the System, and the System's effectiveness in dissemination information to end-user communities and to the general public; and

(d) any other purpose identified by the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere or the Interagency Ocean Observation Committee.

The meeting will be open to public participation with a 15-minute public comment period on August 29, 2012, from 4:15 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and on August 30, 2012, from 2:45 p.m. to 3 p.m. (check agenda on Web site to confirm time.) The Committee expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted verbal or written statements.

In general, each individual or group making a verbal presentation will be limited to a total time of three (3) minutes. Written comments should be received by the Designated Federal Official by August 17, 2012 to provide sufficient time for Committee review. Written comments received after August 17, 2012, will be distributed to the Committee, but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting date. Seats will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Matters to Be Considered:** This is the inaugural meeting of the Committee. As such, the meeting will focus on swearing in the new members and defining the vision and outcomes expected of the Committee, including agency insights on the U.S. IOOS enterprise from NOAA and IOOC leadership. The agenda is subject to change. The latest version will be posted at [http://www.ioos.gov/about/governance/ioos\\_advisory\\_committee.html](http://www.ioos.gov/about/governance/ioos_advisory_committee.html).

**Special Accommodations:** These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Jessica Snowden, alternate Designated Federal Official at 301–427–2453 by August 15, 2012.

Dated: July 19, 2012.

**Zdenka S. Willis,**

*Director, U.S. Integrated Ocean Observing System.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council), together with the Partnership for Mid-Atlantic Fisheries Science, will hold a workshop entitled "Modeling Protogynous Hermaphrodite Fishes."

**DATES:** The workshop will be held on Wednesday, August 29, 2012, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Thursday, August 30, 2012, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The workshop will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn at Raleigh-Durham Airport, 1500 RDU Center Drive, Morrisville, NC 27560; telephone: (919) 840-8088.

*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:** This workshop will address the need for improved stock assessment approaches for protogynous fish, by bringing together a range of stock assessment and other fisheries scientists to provide an overview of current and innovative methods for assessing protogynous fish, and to discuss data needs and modeling strategies.

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 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 Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

#### 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 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: August 7, 2012.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

*Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### 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 (Council) Ad Hoc Amendment 24 Workgroup will hold a meeting by teleconference, which is open to the public.

**DATES:** The Workgroup's teleconference will occur 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Friday, August 31, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** A public listening station will be open for the teleconference at the Pacific Fishery Management Council office, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Small Conference Room, Portland, OR 97220-1384.

*Council address:* Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220-1384.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Kit Dahl, Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: (503) 820-2280.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Council formed the Amendment 24 Workgroup to develop proposals for modifying the process to periodically establish and adjust harvest levels and management measures for the Pacific Coast groundfish fishery. The Workgroup met August 1-2, 2012, to develop proposals for the Council to consider in November 2012. During this teleconference the Workgroup will review and discuss a draft of the report to be delivered at the November Council meeting.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may be discussed, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any issues arising after publication of this document 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 intent to take final action to address the emergency.

#### Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt at (503) 820-2280 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: August 7, 2012.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

*Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### United States Patent and Trademark Office

#### Invention Promoters/Promotion Firms Complaints

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before October 9, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *Email:*

*InformationCollection@uspto.gov.* Include "0651-0044 comment" in the subject line of the message.

- *Mail:* Susan K. Fawcett, Records Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

- *Federal Rulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>.