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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils, in conjunction with NOAA Fisheries and the Atlantic and Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commissions, have implemented the Southeast Data, Assessment and Review (SEDAR) process, a multi-step method for determining the status of fish stocks in the Southeast Region. SEDAR is a three-step process including: (1) Data Workshop; (2) Assessment Process utilizing webinars; and (3) Review Workshop. The product of the Data Workshop is a data report which compiles and evaluates potential datasets and recommends which datasets are appropriate for assessment analyses. The product of the Assessment Process is a stock assessment report which describes the fisheries, evaluates the status of the stock, estimates biological benchmarks, projects future population conditions, and recommends research and monitoring needs. The assessment is independently peer reviewed at the Review Workshop. The product of the Review Workshop is a Summary documenting panel opinions regarding the strengths and weaknesses of the stock assessment and input data. Participants for SEDAR Workshops are appointed by the Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils and NOAA Fisheries Southeast Regional Office, Highly Migratory Species Management Division, and Southeast Fisheries Science Center. Participants include: data collectors and database managers; stock assessment scientists, biologists, and researchers; constituency representatives including fishermen, environmentalists, and non-governmental organizations (NGOs); international experts; and staff of Councils, Commissions, and state and federal agencies.

The items of discussion in the pre-assessment webinar and Assessment Workshop webinars are as follows:

1. Participants will employ assessment models to evaluate stock status, estimate population benchmarks and management criteria, and project future conditions. The assessment models will use the recommended datasets from the Data Workshop.
2. Participants will recommend the most appropriate methods and

configurations for determining stock status and estimating population parameters.

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Special Accommodations

These meetings are accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to the SEDAR office (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 10 business days prior to the meeting.

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

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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 Meetings

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

ACTION: Meeting and Workshop of the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (SAFMC) Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC).

SUMMARY: The SAFMC will hold a meeting of its SSC along with a workshop to consider modifications to the Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC) control rule. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

DATES: The SSC Workshop will be held from 1 p.m., Monday, April 8, 2013 until 3 p.m., Tuesday April 9, 2013. The SSC Meeting will be held from 3 p.m. Tuesday, April 9, 2013 until 3 p.m., Thursday, April 11, 2013.

ADDRESSES: *Meeting address:* The meeting and workshop will be held at

the Crowne Plaza Airport Hotel, 4831 Tanger Outlet Boulevard, North Charleston, SC 29418; telephone: (800) 503-5762 or (843) 744-4422; fax: (843) 744-4472.

Council address: South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N. Charleston, SC 29405.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The items of discussion in the individual meeting agendas are as follows:

SSC Workshop Agenda, Monday, April 8, 2013, 1 p.m. Until Tuesday, April 9, 2013, 3 p.m.

1. Discuss the ABC control rule, with emphasis on methods for deriving ABC recommendations for stocks that have reliable catch data only.
2. Review catch and biological data for unassessed stocks and recommend modifications to the ABC control rule in order to improve the use of such information when providing ABC recommendations.

SSC Meeting, Tuesday, April 9, 2013, 3 p.m. Until Thursday, April 11, 2013, 3 p.m.

1. Discuss stock assessments of black sea bass, cobia, and Spanish mackerel.
2. Discuss Fishery Management Plan (FMP) amendments that are under development for corals and snapper grouper species.
3. Review Council research priorities.
4. Discuss the SAFMC ABC control rule and ABC recommendations for unassessed stocks.
5. Discuss the stock assessment peer review processes.

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auxiliary aids should be directed to the SAFMC office (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 10 business days prior to the meeting.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Council and its advisory entities will hold public meetings.

DATES: The Pacific Council and its advisory entities will meet April 5–11, 2013. The Pacific Council meeting will begin on Saturday, April 6, 2013 at 8 a.m., reconvening each day through Thursday, April 11, 2013. All meetings are open to the public, except a closed session will be held at the end of the scheduled agenda on Sunday, April 7 to address litigation and personnel matters. In addition to the formal, numbered agenda items, there will be an informal Council informational session on the morning of Saturday, April 6 to help with understanding issues and objectives associated with adopting a final Pacific Coast Fishery Ecosystem Plan. The Pacific Council will meet as late as necessary each day to complete its scheduled business.

ADDRESSES: Meetings of the Pacific Council and its advisory entities will be held at the Sheraton Portland Airport Hotel, 8235 NE. Airport Way, Portland, OR 97220; telephone: (503) 281-2500.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Donald O. McIsaac, Executive Director; telephone: (503) 820-2280 or (866) 806-7204 toll free; or access the Pacific Council Web site, <http://www.pcouncil.org> for the current

meeting location, proposed agenda, and meeting briefing materials.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following items are on the Pacific Council agenda, but not necessarily in this order.

- A. Call to Order
 1. Opening Remarks
 2. Roll Call
 3. Executive Director's Report
 4. Approve Agenda
- B. Administrative Matters
 1. Formalize Council Action From March 2013
 2. Expansion of Gulf of the Farallones and Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuaries
 3. Ocean Observation Initiative Report
 4. Legislative Matters
 5. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes
 6. Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures
 7. Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning
- C. Open Comment Period
 1. Comments on Non-Agenda Items
- D. Groundfish Management
 1. NMFS Report
 2. Status of Rationalized Fishery
 3. Alternatives for Stock Complex Restructuring
 4. Implementation of the 2013 Pacific Whiting Fishery Under the U.S.-Canada Pacific Whiting Agreement
 5. Consider Barotrauma Device Mortality Rates
 6. Groundfish Essential Fish Habitat Synthesis Report and Request for Proposals
 7. Trawl Rationalization Trailing Actions—Electronic Monitoring Regulatory Process
 8. Consideration of Inseason Adjustments
- E. Salmon Management
 1. Tentative Adoption of 2013 Ocean Salmon Management Measures for Analysis
 2. Clarify Council Direction 2013 Management Measures
 3. Salmon Amendment 18—Essential Fish Habitat Revision
 4. Final Action on 2013 Management Measures
 5. Methodology Review Process and Preliminary Topic Selection for 2013
 6. Columbia Basin Situation Assessment
- F. Habitat
 1. Current Habitat Issues
- G. Pacific Halibut Management
 1. Final Incidental Catch Recommendations for Salmon Troll and Fixed Gear Sablefish Fisheries
- H. Ecosystem Based Management
 1. Final Fishery Ecosystem Plan
- I. Coastal Pelagic Species Management
 1. Sardine Harvest Parameters Workshop Report
 2. Sardine Fishery Start Date
- J. Enforcement Issues
 1. Preliminary Vessel Monitoring System Declaration Regulations

Schedule of Ancillary Meetings

Friday, April 5, 2013

Groundfish Management Team 8 a.m.

Groundfish Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.
 Habitat Committee 8 a.m.
 Model Evaluation Workgroup 8 a.m.
 Salmon Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.
 Salmon Technical Team 8 a.m.
 Scientific and Statistical Committee 8 a.m.
 Tribal Policy Group 8 a.m.
 Legislative Committee 2 p.m.

Saturday, April 6, 2013

Washington State Delegation 7 a.m.
 California State Delegation 7 a.m.
 Oregon State Delegation 7 a.m.
 Enforcement Consultants 8 a.m.
 Groundfish Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.
 Groundfish Management Team 8 a.m.
 Salmon Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.
 Salmon Technical Team 8 a.m.
 Scientific and Statistical Committee 8 a.m.
 Tribal Policy Group As Needed
 Tribal and Washington Technical Group As Needed
 Chair's Reception 6 p.m.

Sunday, April 7, 2013

California State Delegation 7 a.m.
 Oregon State Delegation 7 a.m.
 Washington State Delegation 7 a.m.
 Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.
 Essential Fish Habitat Review Committee 8 a.m.
 Groundfish Management Team 8 a.m.
 Groundfish Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.
 Salmon Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.
 Salmon Technical Team 8 a.m.
 Scientific & Statistical Committee Economic Subcmte 8 a.m.
 Enforcement Consultants As Needed
 Tribal Policy Group As Needed
 Tribal and Washington Technical Group As Needed

Monday, April 8, 2013

California State Delegation 7 a.m.
 Oregon State Delegation 7 a.m.
 Washington State Delegation 7 a.m.
 Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.
 Groundfish Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.
 Groundfish Management Team 8 a.m.
 Salmon Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.
 Salmon Technical Team 8 a.m.
 Enforcement Consultants As Needed
 Tribal Policy Group As Needed
 Tribal and Washington Technical Group As Needed

Tuesday, April 9, 2012

California State Delegation 7 a.m.
 Oregon State Delegation 7 a.m.
 Washington State Delegation 7 a.m.
 Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.
 Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team 8 a.m.
 Salmon Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.
 Salmon Technical Team 8 a.m.
 Enforcement Consultants As Needed