

**ACTION:** Notice; public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Joint Groundfish/Habitat Committees on September 5, 2013 to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

**DATES:** This meeting will be held on Thursday, September 5, 2013 at 9 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Harborside Hotel, 250 Market Street, Portsmouth, NH 03801; telephone: (603) 431-2300; fax: (603) 433-5649.

*Council address:* New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Council's Habitat and Groundfish Oversight Committees will meet jointly to discuss alternatives under development in Omnibus Essential Fish Habitat Amendment 2. Specifically, the Committees will discuss information collected during a series of interviews between staff and industry members, including a technical review conducted by the Council's Habitat Plan Development and Closed Area Technical Teams. Based on the industry information and the associated technical guidance, the Committee may recommend that the Council adjust some of the management alternatives prior to completion of the draft environmental impact statement. In addition, the Committees will discuss and approve a framework adjustment and data collection process related to groundfish management areas. The Committees will also review the amendment timeline and discuss 2014 management priorities. The Groundfish Committee may also address issues under development for Framework 51 to the Northeast Multispecies (Groundfish) fishery management plan. A closed session will be used to review advisory panel appointments.

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

Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

**Special Accommodations**

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, at (978) 465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: August 16, 2013.

**William D. Chappell,**

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

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**RIN 0648-XC819**

**New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting**

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

**ACTION:** Notice; public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Whiting Advisory Panel on September 9, 2013 to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

**DATES:** This meeting will be held on Monday, September 9, 2013 at 10 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:**

*Meeting address:* The meeting will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn, One Thurber Street, Warwick, RI 02886; telephone: (401) 734-9600; fax: (401) 734-9700.

*Council address:* New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The advisors will develop recommendations for Georges Bank yellowtail flounder accountability measures to be considered as alternatives in Multispecies Framework Adjustment 51. Since combined discards are

estimated for small mesh gears, rather than fisheries, industry advisors for the squid fishery may have interest in this meeting. These recommendations will be presented to the Groundfish Oversight Committee on September 17, 2013 in Portsmouth, NH. Framework Adjustment 51 will be approved by the Council at the November 2013 Council meeting and implemented on or before May 1, 2014. Other small mesh fishery issues may also be discussed as time permits, such as adjustments to management measures in a 2015-17 specifications package to be prepared in 2014.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**RIN 0648-XC253**

**Endangered Species; File No. 16733**

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

**ACTION:** Issuance of permit.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that NMFS Southeast Fisheries Science Center (SEFSC; Responsible Party: Bonnie Ponwith), 75 Virginia Beach Dr., Miami, FL 33149 has been issued a permit to take loggerhead (*Caretta caretta*), green (*Chelonia mydas*),

Kemp's ridley (*Lepidochelys kempii*), hawksbill (*Eretmochelys imbricata*), leatherback (*Dermochelys coriacea*), and olive ridley (*L. olivacea*) sea turtles for purposes of scientific research.

**ADDRESSES:** The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301) 427-8401; fax (301) 713-0376;

Northeast Region, NMFS, 55 Great Republic Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930; phone (978) 281-9328; fax (978) 281-9394; and

Southeast Region, NMFS, 263 13th Ave South, St. Petersburg, FL 33701; phone (727) 824-5312; fax (727) 824-5309.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Amy Hapeman or Kristy Beard, (301) 427-8401.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On September 24, 2012, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (77 FR 58812) that a request for a scientific research permit to take loggerhead, green, Kemp's ridley, hawksbill, leatherback, and olive ridley sea turtles had been submitted by the above-named organization. The requested permit has been issued 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 parts 222-226).

The permit authorizes aerial, vessel, and acoustic surveys on sea turtles in the North Atlantic Ocean, Gulf of Mexico, Caribbean Sea and their embayments. Sea turtles may be directly captured by hand or using nets or alternatively, sea turtle may be obtained from other legal sources. Authorized procedures for captured sea turtles include: measurements, laboratory experiments, biological sampling, temporary marking, tracking, ultrasound, and/or attachment of

transmitters before release back to the wild. Up to six sea turtles may accidentally die over the five-year life of the permit.

Issuance of this permit, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such permit (1) was applied for in good faith, (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of such endangered or threatened species, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: August 16, 2013.

**P. Michael Payne,**

*Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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**CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION**

**Sunshine Act Meeting**

**TIME AND DATE:** Wednesday, August 21, 2013, 10 a.m.-11 a.m.

**PLACE:** Room 420, Bethesda Towers, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, Maryland.

**STATUS:** Commission Meeting—Open to the Public

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED** *Decisional Matter:* Bassinets and Cradles—Final Rule.

A live Webcast of the Meeting can be viewed at [www.cpsc.gov/webcast](http://www.cpsc.gov/webcast).

For a recorded message containing the latest agenda information, call (301) 504-7948.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Todd A. Stevenson, Office of the Secretary, U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814, (301) 504-7923.

Dated: August 16, 2013.

**Todd A. Stevenson,**

*Secretary.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Office of the Secretary**

**Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program, Scientific Advisory Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C. Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.150, the Department of Defense announces an open meeting of the Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program, Scientific Advisory Board (SAB). This notice is published in accordance with Section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463).

**DATES:** Wednesday, September 11, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Thursday, September 12, 2013, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:25 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Potomac Institute for Policy Studies, 901 North Stuart Street, Suite 200, Arlington, VA 22203.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Jonathan Bunger, SERDP Office, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Suite 17D08, Alexandria, VA 22350-3600; or by telephone at (571) 372-6384.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 552b and 41 CFR 102-3.140 through 102-3.165, and the availability of space, this meeting is open to the public. Seating is on a first-come basis.

The purpose of the September 11-12, 2013 meeting is to review new start research and development projects requesting Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program funds in excess of \$1 million over the proposed length of the project as required by the SERDP Statute, U.S. Code—Title 10, Subtitle A, Part IV, Chapter 172, § 2904. The full agenda follows:

**Wednesday, September 11, 2013**

9:00 a.m	Convene/Opening Remarks Approval of June 2013 Minutes	Mr. Joseph Francis, Chair.
9:10 a.m	Program Update	Dr. Anne Andrews, Acting Executive Director.
9:25 a.m	Unexploded Ordnance Workshop and Munitions Response Overview.	Dr. Herb Nelson, Munitions Response Program Manager.
9:55 a.m	14 MR01-007 (MR-2409): Empirical Investigation of the Factors Influencing Marine Applications of EMI (FY14 New Start).	Dr. Thomas Bell, SAIC, Arlington, VA.
10:40 a.m	Break.	
10:55 a.m	14 MR01-006 (MR-2408): Finite Element Modeling of Scattering from Underwater Proud and Buried Military Munitions (FY14 New Start).	Dr. Ahmad Abawi, Heat, Light, and Sound Research, Inc., La Jolla, CA.
11:40 a.m	Chlorinated Solvents Workshop	Dr. Andrea Leeson, Environmental Restoration Program Manager.