Amendment to address observer coverage on Atlantic herring vessels and develop Committee recommendations. The committee will discuss other business as necessary.

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Special Accommodations

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

Dated: December 22, 2014.

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

RIN 0648–XD685

Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Public Hearings

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

ACTION: Notice of public hearings, request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) is developing an Amendment to the Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fishery Management Plan (FMP) (called ''Measures to Protect Deep Sea Corals from Impacts of Fishing Gear'') that will address minimizing the impacts of fishing gear on deep sea corals in the Mid-Atlantic.

DATES: Written comments will be accepted until Wednesday, January 28, 2015. Five public hearings will be held during this comment period. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for dates, times, and locations.

ADDRESSES: Written comments may be sent by any of the following methods:

- Email to the following address: *kdancy@mafmc.org;* Include ''Deep Sea Corals Amendment Comments'' in the subject line;
- Mail or hand deliver to Dr. Christopher M. Moore, Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 North State Street, Suite 201, Dover, Delaware 19901. Mark the outside of the envelope ''Deep Sea Corals Amendment Comments''; or
- Fax to (302) 674–5399.
- A web form for submitting comments is available on the Council's Web site: *http://www.mafmc.org/comments/deep-sea-corals.* The draft Amendment document may be obtained from the Council office at the previously provided address, or by request to the Council by telephone (302) 674–2331, or via the Internet at *http://www.mafmc.org.*
- Comments may also be provided verbally at any of the five public hearings. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for dates, times, and locations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Christopher M. Moore, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 North State Street, Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674–2331. The Council's Web site, *www.mafmc.org* also has details on the meeting location, webinar listen-in access, and public hearing materials.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The Council has initiated an amendment to the Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish FMP in order to minimize the impacts of fishing gear on deep sea corals in the mid-Atlantic. The Council has approved a range of alternatives proposing designation of deep sea coral protection zones, under the discretionary authority described in section 303(b)(2)(b) of the reauthorized Magnuson-Stevens Act (MSA). These zones would consist of areas where use of certain gear types (all bottom-tending gear or all mobile bottom-tending gear) would be restricted in order to protect deep sea corals from physical damage caused by fishing gear. Although this action is being taken through the Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish FMP, these measures could apply to any federally regulated fishing activity occurring within the proposed areas in the Mid-Atlantic Council region. Additionally, this amendment proposes to modify the framework provisions of the FMP and require Vessel Monitoring Systems (VMS) for all Illex squid vessels. For more information and to access the public hearing document, visit: *http://www.mafmc.org/actions/msb/am16.*

Public Hearings

The dates and locations of the public hearings are as follows.

- *Monday, January 12, 2015, 7 p.m.,* Hyatt Place Long Island/East End, 451 East Main Street, Riverhead, NY 11901, telephone: (631) 208–0002;
- *Tuesday, January 13, 2015, 7 p.m.,* The Grand Hotel, 1045 Beach Avenue, Cape May, NJ 08204, telephone: (609) 884–5611;
- *Wednesday, January 14, 2015, 7 p.m.,* Washington Marriott at Metro Center, 775 12th Street NW., Washington, DC 20005, telephone: (202) 737–2200;
- *Thursday, January 15, 2015, 7 p.m.,* Hilton Virginia Beach Oceanfront, 3001 Atlantic Ave., Virginia Beach, VA 23451, telephone: (866) 460–7456;
- *Friday, January 16, 2015, 7 p.m.,* Ocean Pines Library, 11107 Cathell Rd., Berlin, MD 21811, telephone: (410) 208–4014;
- *Tuesday, January 20, 2015, 7 p.m.,* Internet webinar, Connection information to be available at *http://www.mafmc.org* or by contacting the Council (see **ADDRESSES** above).

Special Accommodations

These public hearings are accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aid should be directed to Jan Saunders, (302) 526–5251, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: December 22, 2014.

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

RIN 0648–XD658

North Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting; Correction

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

ACTION: Notice of correction of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The North Pacific Fishery Management Council's Pacific

Northwest Crab Industry Advisory Committee (PNCIAC) will meet in Seattle, WA. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held on January 12, 2015, from 9 a.m. until 12 noon.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Fishermen's Terminal, Norby conference room, 3919 18th Avenue W., Seattle, WA 98199.

Council address: North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 W. 4th Avenue, Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501–2252.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Diana Stram, Council Staff; telephone: (907) 271–2809 or Lance Farr, (206) 669–7163.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The original notice published in the **Federal Register** on December 12, 2014 (79 FR 73884). This notice serves a correction to that notice and is being re-published in its entirety due to a date change and an addition to the agenda.

The Committee will discuss issues to recommend for the 10-year review of the Crab Rationalization Program and discuss extending the Western Baridi fishing season.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Gail Bendixen at (907) 271–2809 at least 7 working days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: December 22, 2014.

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

RIN 0648–XD679

Gulf of Mexico 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 Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a meeting of the King Mackerel Gillnet Working Group.

DATES: The meeting will convene at 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Monday, January 12, 2015.

ADDRESSES: *Meeting address:* The meeting will be held at the Marriott Beachside Hotel located at 3841 N. Roosevelt Boulevard, Key West, FL 33040.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 North Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ryan Rindone, Fishery Biologist, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 348–1630; fax: (813) 348–1711; email: *ryan.rindone@gulfcouncil.org.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The items of discussion on the agenda are as follows:

King Mackerel Gillnet Working Group Agenda, Monday, January 12, 2015, 9 a.m. Until 5 p.m.

I. Adoption of Agenda
II. Action Guide
III. Overview of King Mackerel Gillnet Issues
  (a) Gulf Council Mackerel Committee Summary
IV. Suggested Gillnet Management Options
  (a) Trip Limit Increases
  (b) Gear Modifications
  (c) Catch Shares
  (d) Other
V. Wrap Up

This agenda may be modified as necessary to facilitate the discussion of pertinent materials up to and during the scheduled meeting.

For meeting materials see folder ''King Mackerel Gillnet Working Group meeting—2015—01'' on Gulf Council file server. To access the file server, the URL is *https://public.gulfcouncil.org:5001/webman/index.cgi,* or go to the Council's Web site and click on the FTP link in the lower left of the Council Web site (*http://www.gulfcouncil.org*). The username and password are both ''gulfguest''.

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

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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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 Herring Advisory Panel 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, January 15, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES:

Meeting address: The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Harborside, 250 Market Street, Portsmouth, NH 03801; telephone: (603) 431–2300; fax: (603) 431–7805.

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 items of discussion on the agenda are:

The panel will review Action Plans for the 2016–18 Atlantic herring fishery specifications and an amendment to the Atlantic Herring FMP to consider control rules for the Atlantic herring