

Based on the analysis contained herein of the activity (including the mitigation and monitoring measures) and the anticipated take of marine mammals, NMFS finds that small numbers of marine mammals will be taken relative to the population size of the affected species or stocks.

Unmitigable Adverse Impact Analysis and Determination

There are no subsistence uses of the affected marine mammal stocks or species implicated by this action. Therefore, NMFS has determined that the total taking of affected species or stocks will not have an unmitigable adverse impact on the availability of such species or stocks for taking for subsistence purposes.

Endangered Species Act (ESA)

Section 7(a)(2) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA: 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) requires that each Federal agency insure that any action it authorizes, funds, or carries out is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of any endangered or threatened species or result in the destruction or adverse modification of designated critical habitat. To ensure ESA compliance for the issuance of IHAs, NMFS consults internally, in this case with the West Coast Region Protected Resources Division Office, whenever we propose to authorize take for endangered or threatened species.

No incidental take of ESA-listed species is authorized or expected to result from this activity. Therefore, NMFS has determined that formal consultation under section 7 of the ESA is not required for this action.

National Environmental Policy Act

To comply with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA; 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) and NOAA Administrative Order (NAO) 216-6A, NMFS must review our action (*i.e.*, the issuance of an incidental harassment authorization) with respect to potential impacts on the human environment. This action is consistent with categories of activities identified in Categorical Exclusion B4 (incidental harassment authorizations with no anticipated serious injury or mortality) of the Companion Manual for NOAA Administrative Order 216-6A, which do not individually or cumulatively have the potential for significant impacts on the quality of the human environment and for which we have not identified any extraordinary circumstances that would preclude this categorical exclusion. Accordingly, NMFS has determined that the issuance of the IHA

qualifies to be categorically excluded from further NEPA review.

Authorization

As a result of these determinations, we have issued an IHA to the Society for conducting the described activities related to lighthouse station restoration, maintenance, and tours from February 19, 2018 through February 18, 2019 provided the previously described mitigation, monitoring, and reporting requirements are incorporated.

Dated: April 26, 2018.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Telecommunications and Information Administration

NTIA 2018 Spectrum Policy Symposium

AGENCY: National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), U.S. Department of Commerce, will host a symposium on June 12, 2018, focusing on the development and implementation of national spectrum policies to support continuing U.S. leadership and innovation in wireless telecommunications and other spectrum-dependent technologies.

DATES: The symposium will be held on June 12, 2018, from 8:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., Eastern Daylight Time (EDT).

ADDRESSES: The symposium will be held at The National Press Club, 529 14th Street NW, 13th Floor, Washington, DC 20045.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Alden, Telecommunications Specialist, Office of Spectrum Management, NTIA, at (202) 482-8046 or spectrumsymposium@ntia.doc.gov. Please direct media inquiries to NTIA's Office of Public Affairs, (202) 482-7002; email: press@ntia.doc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NTIA serves as the President's principal adviser on telecommunications policies pertaining to the Nation's economic and technological advancement and establishes policies concerning use of the radio spectrum by federal agencies. NTIA is hosting a symposium that will

focus on developing, implementing and maintaining spectrum management policies that enable the United States to strengthen its global leadership role in the introduction of wireless telecommunications technology, services, and innovation, while also supporting the expansion of existing technologies and the Nation's homeland security, national defense, and other critical government missions.

The keynote address will be delivered by David J. Redl, Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information and NTIA Administrator. Additional speakers from Congress and the Executive Office of the President have been invited. Policy panel sessions are expected to include participants from the Federal Communications Commission, other federal agencies, and private sector and other non-government organizations. Prior to the event, NTIA will post a detailed agenda on its website at: <https://www.ntia.doc.gov/other-publication/2018/2018-ntia-spectrum-policy-symposium>.

The symposium is open to the public and members of the press. Pre-registration is requested due to limited seating capacity. Registration will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. NTIA asks registrants to provide their first and last names, email addresses, and their organization (optional) for both registration purposes and to receive updates on the symposium. Registration information, the agenda, and meeting updates, if any, and other relevant documents will be available on NTIA's website at <https://www.ntia.doc.gov/other-publication/2018/2018-ntia-spectrum-policy-symposium>.

The meeting will be physically accessible to people with disabilities. Individuals requiring accommodations, such as sign language interpretation or other ancillary aids, should notify Mr. Alden at the contact information listed above at least ten (10) business days before the event.

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