

Agenda

Tuesday, May 22, 2018 through
Thursday, May 24, 2018

CCC Session: The agenda for the CCC's plenary session will include the following issues.

- (1) Budget Update
- (2) National Bycatch Reduction Policy
- (3) Electronic Monitoring Policy

Directive

- (4) Data Modernization
- (5) Development of Electronic

Monitoring in the North Pacific

- (6) Legislative Update
- (7) Recusal Policy
- (8) Ecosystem Based Fishery

Management Regional Implementation Plans

- (9) Exempted Fishing Permits
- (10) Best Scientific Information

Available

- (11) NMFS Policy Directive
- (12) Allocation Reviews
- (13) Research Priorities
- (14) Aquaculture
- (15) International Affairs/Seafood

Inspection

- (16) Regulatory Reform
- (17) Recreational Fisheries Overview
- (18) Citizen Science
- (19) NEFMC Program Review
- (20) NOAA Fisheries website

Transition

(21) CCC Workgroup Reports (communications group, habitat committee, scientific coordination subcommittee)

- (22) CCC Terms of Reference
- (23) Other Business

The CCG agenda will include the following issues:

- (1) Communication and technology tools and procedures
- (2) Promoting the regional Council system
- (3) Communicating effectively using social media
- (4) Public comment/input outside of Council meetings/public hearings
- (5) Working effectively with the news media
- (6) Regional and national communications coordination between councils and NOAA
- (7) Council and advisory body meeting communication protocols
- (8) Education programs and training of Council/staff
- (9) Publications and outreach
- (10) Wrap up: Path forward

The Agenda is subject to change, and the latest version will be posted at <http://www.npfmc.org/>.

Public Comment

Public comment letters will be accepted and should be submitted either electronically to Diana Evans, Council

staff: diana.evans@noaa.gov or through the mail: North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 W. 4th Ave., Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501-2252.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Shannon Gleason at (907) 271-2809 at least 7 working days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: April 27, 2018.

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****Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Assessment of the Social and Economic Impact of Hurricanes and Other Climate Related Natural Disasters on Commercial and Recreational Fishing Industries in the Eastern, Gulf Coast and Caribbean Territories of the United States.

OMB Control Number: 0648-xxxx.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular (request for a new information collection).

Number of Respondents: 18,747.

Average Hours Per Response: 15-20 minutes.

Burden Hours: 9,373.

Needs and Uses: This request is for a new information collection.

The NOAA Fisheries Office of Science and Technology's Economics and Social Analysis Division seeks to conduct assessments of the social and economic impacts from hurricanes and other climate related natural disasters on commercial and recreational fishing industries in the eastern, gulf coast and Caribbean territories of the United States. It seeks to collect data on the immediate and long-term disruption and impediments to recovery of normal business practices to the commercial and recreational fishing industries. Data

would be collected from commercial and recreational for hire fishermen, fish dealers, bait and tackle stores, marinas and other businesses dependent on the fishing industry for livelihood. The data will improve research and analysis of potential fishery management actions by understanding the immediate effects and/or long-term compounding effects of natural disasters on communities most dependent on commercial and recreational fishing. This data collection is consistent with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act and essential for implementing National Standard 8, which calls for the sustained participation of fishing communities.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; business or other for profit organizations.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

This information collection request may be viewed at reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov or fax to (202) 395-5806.

Dated: April 30, 2018.

Sarah Brabson,

NOAA PRA Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

RIN 0648-XG053

Notice of Intent To Prepare an Environmental Impact Statement

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

ACTION: Notice of intent.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), this notice announces that NMFS intends to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) to inform its decision of whether to determine that a resource management plan (RMP) jointly developed by the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) and the Puget Sound Tribes (Tribes), collectively the co-managers, meets requirements under Limit 6 of the