email to comments@nefmc.org with “DEIS for Amendment 8 to the Atlantic Herring FMP” in the subject line.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Agenda
The agenda for the following six hearings is as follows: NEMFC staff will brief the public on the herring amendments and the contents of the DEIS prior to opening the hearing for public comments and the schedule is as follows:

Public Hearings: Locations, Schedules, and Agendas

1. Tuesday, May 22, 2018 from 6–8 p.m.; University of Rhode Island, 215 S. Ferry Road, Narragansett, RI 02882; phone: (401) 423–1943.
2. Thursday, May 24, 2018 from 6–8 p.m.; Samoset Hotel, 220 Warren Street, Rockport, ME 04856; phone: (207) 594–2511.
3. Wednesday, May 30, 2018 from 6–8 p.m.; Beaufort Hotel; 55 Commercial Street, Gloucester, MA; phone: (978) 282–0008.
4. Tuesday, June 5, 2018 from 4–5 p.m.; DoubleTree by Hilton, 237 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107; phone: (215) 893–1600.
5. Tuesday, June 12, 2018 from 4–6 p.m.; Holiday Inn By the Bay, 88 Spring Street, Portland, ME 04101; phone: (207) 775–2311.
6. Tuesday, June 19, 2018 from 6–8 p.m.; Chatham Community Center, 702 Main Street, Chatham, MA 02633; phone: (508) 945–3159.
7. Wednesday, June 20, 2018 from 2–4 p.m.—Webinar Registration—https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/695865165132506115.


Additional information on the review is available on the Council website, www.nefmc.org. The public also should be aware that the hearings will be recorded. Consistent with 16 U.S.C. 1852, a copy of the recording is available upon request.

Special Accommodations
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Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.
A. Action Items
   i. American Samoa Marine Conservation Plan
   ii. Options for an Aquaculture Management Program
   iii. American Samoa Large Vessel Prohibited Area
   iv. Modification to U.S. Participating Territory Catch and Effort Limit Amendment 7 Framework
   v. Ecosystem Component Species Classification
   vi. Evaluation of 2017 Catch to the 2017 ACLs

B. Other Issues
   i. Draft 2017 Annual SAFE Reports
   ii. Comments on List of Gears by Fisheries
   iii. Council Research Priorities
      a. Five-year Research Plan
      b. Cooperative Research
      c. Pelagic Fisheries Research Plan
      d. MSE Priorities

4. Guam Mariana FEP AP Issues
   A. Report of the Subpanels
      i. Island Fisheries Subpanel
      ii. Pelagic Fisheries Subpanel
      iii. Ecosystems and Habitat Subpanel
      iv. Indigenous Fishing Rights Subpanel
   B. Other Issues
   5. Public Comment
   6. Discussion and Recommendations
   7. Other Business

Schedule and Agenda for the Guam Mariana Archipelago FEP AP Meeting
Thursday, May 24, 2018, 6 p.m.–7:30 p.m.

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Report on Previous AP Recommendations
3. Council Issues
   A. Action Items
      i. Modification to U.S. Participating Territory Catch and Effort Limit Amendment 7 Framework
      ii. Options for an Aquaculture Management Program
      iii. Ecosystem Component Species Classification
      iv. Evaluation of 2017 Catch to the 2017 ACLs
   B. Other Items
      i. Draft 2017 Annual SAFE Reports
      ii. Comments on List of Gears by Fisheries
      iii. Council Research Priorities
         a. Five-year Research Plan
         b. Cooperative Research
         c. Pelagic Fisheries Research Plan
         d. MSE Priorities

3. Council Issues
   A. Action Items
   i. Five-year Research Plan
   II. Options for an Aquaculture Management Program
   iii. Ecosystem Component Species Classification
   iv. Indigenous Fishing Rights Subpanel
   B. Other Issues
   5. Public Comment
   6. Discussion and Recommendations
   7. Other Business

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
RIN 0648–XG215
Fisheries of the Caribbean; Southeast Data, Assessment, and Review (SEDAR); Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of SEDAR 57 Data Webinar for Caribbean spiny lobster.

SUMMARY: The SEDAR 57 stock assessment process for Caribbean spiny lobster will consist of a Data Workshop, a series of data and assessment webinars, and a Review Workshop. See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

DATES: The SEDAR 57 Data Webinar will be held May 23, 2018, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Eastern Time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held via webinar. The webinar is open to members of the public. Those interested in participating should contact Julie A. Neer at SEDAR (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT) to request an invitation providing webinar access information. Please request webinar invitations at least 24 hours in advance of each webinar.

SEDAR address: 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, North Charleston, SC 29405

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julie A. Neer, SEDAR Coordinator; (843) 571–4366; email: Julie.neer@safmc.net.

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 multi-step process including: (1) Data Workshop, (2) a series of assessment webinars, and (3) A Review Workshop. The product of the Data Workshop is a report that compiles and evaluates potential datasets and recommends which datasets are appropriate for