

follows: Council staff will brief the public on the purpose and need of the amendment. The Council is currently considering aligning federal regulations in the EEZ off Florida with those of the state of Florida and creating an enhanced cooperative management procedure with Florida for federal waters off Florida. Council staff will also provide an overview of the actions and alternatives considered in the amendment including the Council preferred alternatives. Staff and a Council member will be available to answer any questions and the public will have the opportunity to provide testimony on the amendment and other related testimony. The schedule is as follows:

*Tuesday, August 2, 2018; Webinar 6 p.m.—9 p.m. EST at: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/552356550647070721>.*

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.—Meeting Adjourns

The public hearing will be broadcast via webinar. You may also register for the webinar by visiting [www.gulfcouncil.org](http://www.gulfcouncil.org) and clicking on the Public Hearing meeting on the calendar.

#### Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kathy Pereira at the Gulf Council Office (see **ADDRESSES**), at least 5 working days prior to the meeting.

Dated: July 16, 2018.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

##### Coral Reef Conservation Program

**AGENCY:** Coral Reef Conservation Program, Office for Coastal Management, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce

**ACTION:** Notice of Public Meeting, Notice of Public Comment.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of a public meeting of the U.S. Coral Reef Task Force (USCRTF). Written comments must be received on or before

July 26, 2018. For specific dates, times, and locations of the public meetings, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Thursday, August 16, 2018, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments on to the U.S. Coral Reef Task Force by any of the following methods:

*Public Meeting and Oral Comments:* A public meeting will be held in Pago Pago, American Samoa at the Rex H. Lee Auditorium, Highway 1, Utulei.

*Written Comments:* Please direct written comments to Jennifer Koss, NOAA USCRTF Steering Committee Point of Contact, NOAA Coral Reef Conservation Program, 1305 East-West Highway, N/OCRM, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Jennifer Koss, NOAA USCRTF Steering Committee Point of Contact, NOAA Coral Reef Conservation Program, 1305 East-West Highway, N/OCRM, Silver Spring, MD 20910 at 301–533–0777 or Liza Johnson, USCRTF Executive Secretary, U.S. Department of Interior, MS–3530–MIB, 1849 C Street NW, Washington, DC 20240 at (202) 208–5004 or visit the USCRTF website at <http://www.coralreef.gov>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The meeting provides a forum for coordinated planning and action among federal agencies, state and territorial governments, and nongovernmental partners. Registration is requested for all events associated with the meeting. This meeting has time allotted for public comment. All public comments must be submitted in written format. A written summary of the meeting will be posted on the USCRTF website within two months of occurrence. For information about the meeting, registering and submitting public comments, go to <http://www.coralreef.gov>.

Commenters may address the meeting, the role of the USCRTF, or general coral reef conservation issues. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comments, you should be aware that your entire comment, including personal identifying information may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Established by Presidential Executive Order 13089 in 1998, the U.S. Coral Reef Task Force mission is to lead, coordinate and strengthen U.S. government actions to better preserve

and protect coral reef ecosystems. Co-chaired by the Departments of Commerce and Interior, Task Force members include leaders of 12 federal agencies, seven U.S. states and territories and three freely associated states.

The meeting will be held Thursday, August 16, 2018, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in Pago Pago, American Samoa at the Rex H. Lee Auditorium, Highway 1, Utulei.

**Nicole R. LeBoeuf,**

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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##### South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public scoping meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a series of public scoping meetings via webinar pertaining to three amendments to the Snapper Grouper Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for the South Atlantic Region. Amendment 47 considers modifications to the federally permitted South Atlantic snapper grouper for-hire fishery. Regulatory Amendment 29 considers options to implement best fishing practices and remove powerhead restrictions in the federal waters off the coast of South Carolina. Regulatory Amendment 32 addresses options for revisions to the in-season accountability measures for yellowtail snapper.

**DATES:** The scoping meetings will be held via webinar on the following dates: Amendment 47—August 6, August 9, and August 14, 2018; Regulatory Amendment 29—August 7 and August 8, 2018 and; Regulatory Amendment 32—August 15 and August 16, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** The scoping meetings will be conducted via webinar.

*Council address:* South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N. Charleston, SC 29405.