inviting participants to 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 assessment analyses. The assessment webinars produce a report that describes the fisheries, evaluates the status of the stock, estimates biological benchmarks, projects future population conditions, and recommends research and monitoring needs. The product of the Review Workshop is an Assessment Summary documenting panel opinions regarding the strengths and weaknesses of the stock assessment and input data.

Participants for SEDAR Workshops are appointed by the Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils and NOAA Fisheries Southeast Regional Office, HMS Management Division, and Southeast Fisheries Science Center. Participants include data collectors and database managers; stock assessment scientists, biologists, and researchers; constituency representatives including fishermen, environmentalists, and NGO’s; International experts; and staff of Councils, Commissions, and state and federal agencies.

The items of discussion during the Assessment Webinar are as follows:

1. Using datasets and initial assessment analysis recommended from the data workshop, panelists will employ assessment models to evaluate stock status, estimate population benchmarks and management criteria, and project future conditions.
2. Participants will recommend the most appropriate methods and configurations for determining stock status and estimating population parameters.

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Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (see ADDRESSES) at least 5 business days prior to each webinar.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Evaluation of State Coastal Management Program

AGENCY: Office for Coastal Management (OCM), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Notice of public meeting and opportunity to comment.

SUMMARY: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Office for Coastal Management will hold a public meeting to solicit comments on the performance evaluation of the Pennsylvania Coastal Management Program.

DATES: Pennsylvania Coastal Management Program Evaluation: The public meeting will be held on November 12, 2019, and written comments must be received on or before November 22, 2019.

For specific dates, times, and locations of the public meetings, see SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments on the coastal program NOAA intends to evaluate by any of the following methods:

Public Meeting and Oral Comments: A public meeting will be held in Ridley Park, Pennsylvania. For the specific location, see SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

Written Comments: Please submit written comments to Ralph Cantral, Senior Advisor, NOAA Office for Coastal Management, 2234 South Hobson Avenue, Charleston, South Carolina 29405 or email comments to Ralph.Cantral@noaa.gov. Comments that the Office for Coastal Management receives are considered part of the public record and may be publicly accessible. Any personal identifying information (e.g., name, address) submitted voluntarily by the sender may also be publicly accessible. NOAA will accept anonymous comments.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ralph Cantral, Senior Advisor, NOAA Office for Coastal Management, NOS/NOAA, 2234 South Hobson Avenue, Charleston, South Carolina 29405, by phone at (843) 740–1143 or email Ralph.Cantral@noaa.gov. Copies of the previous evaluation findings and 2016–2020 Assessment and Strategy may be viewed and downloaded on the internet at http://coast.noaa.gov/czma/evaluations. A copy of the evaluation notification letter and most recent progress report may be obtained upon request by contacting the person identified under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 312 of the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA) requires NOAA to conduct periodic evaluations of federally approved state coastal programs. The process includes one or more public meetings, consideration of written public comments, and consultations with interested Federal, state, and local agencies and members of the public. During the evaluation, NOAA will consider the extent to which the state has met the national objectives, adhered to the management program approved by the Secretary of Commerce, and adhered to the terms of financial assistance under the CZMA. When the evaluation is completed, NOAA’s Office for Coastal Management will place a notice in the Federal Register announcing the availability of the Final Evaluation Findings.

You may participate or submit oral comments at the public meeting scheduled as follows:

Date: November 12, 2019.
Time: 6:30 p.m. local time.
Location: Water’s Edge Banquet Hall, 500 North Land, Ridley Park, PA 19078.
1. Review the recommendations of the SSC’s Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC) Workgroup regarding ABCs for unassessed stocks, make catch level recommendations for all unassessed stocks, and discuss the use of Monroe County, Florida data in both calculating the ABC and tracking the landings for Dolphin and Wahoo.

2. Updates on Southeast Data, Assessment and Review (SEDAR) projects; and approve the terms of reference, schedule, and identify participants for the SEDAR 71 stock assessment for Gag.

3. Review the draft National Standard 1 Guidelines on Carryovers and Phase-In Provisions and make any recommendations for additions, deletions, or edits to the draft language.

4. Review the draft Modernizing Recreational Fisheries Act—Report to Congress and make any recommendations for additions, deletions, or edits to the draft language.

5. Review a coral habitat distribution model; review the model assumptions and methods for predicting coral habitat distribution and discuss uncertainties; and determine whether this model is best scientific information available and useful for making management decisions.

6. Update on the Southeast Reef Fish Survey results from the 2018 sampling year.

7. Clarify the SSC’s intent of adding the Over Fishing Levels (OFL) and ABCs for Blueline Tilefish from the areas north and south of Cape Hatteras to the OFL and ABC and for the entire stock in the South Atlantic.

8. Update on the progress of the South Atlantic Ecosystem Model Workgroup and approval of timing moving forward.

9. Review Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 12 addressing Bullet and Frigate Mackerel; provide any comments or recommendations as necessary.

10. Updates and progress reports on ongoing Council amendments and activities; make comments or recommendations on any Council amendments or activities as necessary.

The meeting is open to the public and will also be available via webinar as it occurs. Webinar registration is required. Information regarding webinar registration will be posted to the Council’s website at: http://safmc.net/safmc-meetings/scientific-and-statistical-committee-meetings/ as it becomes available. The meeting agenda, briefing book materials, and online comment form will be posted to the Council’s website two weeks prior to the meeting. Written comment on SSC agenda topics is to be distributed to the Committee through the Council office, similar to all other briefing materials.

Written comment to be considered by the SSC shall be provided to the Council office no later than one week prior to an SSC meeting. This meeting, for the submission of written comment is 12 p.m., Tuesday, October 8, 2019.

Multiple opportunities for comment on agenda items will be provided during SSC meetings. Open comment periods will be provided at the start of the meeting and near the conclusion. Those interested in providing comment should indicate such in the manner requested by the Chair, who will then recognize individuals to provide comment. Additional opportunities for comment on specific agenda items will be provided, as each item is discussed, between initial presentations and SSC discussion. Those interested in providing comment should indicate such in the manner requested by the Chair, who will then recognize individuals to provide comment. All comments are part of the record of the meeting.

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