DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
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Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; General Provisions for Domestic Fisheries; Application for Exempted Fishing Permits; Correction

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

ACTION: Notice; request for comments; correction.

SUMMARY: NMFS is correcting a notice that informed the public that the Assistant Regional Administrator for Sustainable Fisheries, Greater Atlantic Region, NMFS, has made a preliminary determination that an application submitted by the Cape Cod Commercial Fishermen’s Alliance for an exempted fishing permit contains all of the required information and warrants further consideration. The proposed active date of the exempted fishing permit was incorrect.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before November 5, 2019.

ADDRESSES: You may submit written comments by either of the following methods:

• Email: nmfs.gar.efp@noaa.gov. Include in the subject line “6–INCH MESH CODEND EM EFP.”

• Mail: Michael Pentony, Regional Administrator, NMFS, Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office, 55 Great Republic Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930. Mark the outside of the envelope “6–INCH MESH CODEND EM EFP.”

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Spencer Talmage, Fishery Management Specialist, 978–281–9232.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On October 21, 2019, NMFS published a notification that informed the public that the Assistant Regional Administrator for Sustainable Fisheries, Greater Atlantic Region, NMFS, made a preliminary determination that an application submitted by the Cape Cod Commercial Fishermen’s Alliance for an exempted fishing permit (EFP) contains all of the required information and warrants further consideration. The document incorrectly listed the active period for the EFP as January 1, 2019, through April 30, 2019, instead of the correct active period of January 1, 2020, through April 30, 2020. This correction does not change the scope or impact of the proposed EFP. This correction is necessary to provide interested parties the opportunity to comment on the application with correct and complete information.

Correction

In the Federal Register of October 21, 2019, in FR Doc. 2019–22854, on page 56181, column 3, in the first full paragraph, the third sentence is corrected to read as follows: “The EFP would be active from January 1, 2020, through April 30, 2020.”

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


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Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice; public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council’s (Council) Research Steering Committee will hold a meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Friday, November 22, 2019, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION for agenda details.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place over webinar with a telephone-only connection option. Details on how to connect to the webinar by computer and by telephone will be available at: http://www.mafmc.org.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christopher M. Moore, Ph.D., Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, telephone: (302) 526–5255.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this meeting is for the Research Steering Committee to review and provide feedback on the Council’s draft Five-Year (2020–24) Research Priorities document. The draft document has been re-organized and prioritized based on feedback and input from the Council’s Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC), Monitoring Committees and Advisory Panels. Research Steering Committee recommendations will be incorporated into the draft document and provided to the Council prior to the December 2019 Council meeting when final review and approval is scheduled to take place.

A detailed agenda and background documents will be made available on the Council’s website (www.mafmc.org) prior to the meeting.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aid should be directed to M. Jan Saunders, (302) 526–5255, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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


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Marine Mammals; File No. 22629

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

ACTION: Notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the NMFS Office of Protected Resources will hold a public hearing related to a permit application (File No. 22629) submitted by Mystic Aquarium (Responsible Party: Stephen M. Coan, Ph.D.) to import five beluga whales (Delphinapterus leucas) for scientific research purposes.

DATES: The public hearing will be held from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. (local time) on November 18, 2019.

ADDRESSES: The public hearing will be held in the Great Hall (1st Floor) at the Silver Spring Civic Center, 1 Veterans Place, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amy Sloan, Courtney Smith, or Jennifer Skidmore, (301) 427–8401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: