

specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency. The public also should be aware that the meeting will be recorded. Consistent with 16 U.S.C. 1852, a copy of the recording is available upon request.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, at (978) 465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

(Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*)

Dated: July 30, 2021.

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

[RTID 0648-XB294]

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 Spiny Dogfish Advisory Panel will hold a public meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, August 19, 2021, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For agenda details, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held via webinar. Webinar connection information will be available at: <https://www.mafmc.org/council-events>.

Council address: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N State Street, Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674-2331 or on their website at 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 the meeting is for the Advisory Panel to create a Fishery Performance Report including advisor input on related specifications and management measures.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Shelley Kimbel-Spedden at the Council Office, (302) 526-5251, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

(Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*)

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Notice of Availability of a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Proposed Lake Ontario National Marine Sanctuary; Announcement of Public Meetings

AGENCY: Office of National Marine Sanctuaries (ONMS), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Notice of virtual public meetings; correction.

SUMMARY: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) has prepared a draft environmental impact statement (DEIS) for the proposed designation of a national marine sanctuary to manage a nationally significant collection of shipwrecks and other underwater cultural resources in New York's eastern Lake Ontario and the Thousand Islands region of the St. Lawrence River. NOAA previously announced public meetings during the comment period, and is replacing the two in-person meetings with additional virtual meetings and providing registration links for the previously announced virtual meetings.

DATES: NOAA will continue to accept comments received by September 10, 2021. NOAA will conduct a total of four virtual public meetings on the following dates:

(1) Date: Wednesday, August 18, 2021

Location and time: Virtual Meeting, 6:30-8:30 p.m. EDT

Registration via this link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8226916950939600400>

By phone: (415) 655-0060

Access Code: 439-509-724. *Audio PIN:*

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(2) Date: Thursday, August 19, 2021

Location and time: Virtual Meeting, 6:30-8:30 p.m. EDT

Registration via this link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/8864690869654406928>

By phone: (914) 614-3221

Access Code: 237-285-132. *Audio PIN:*

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(3) Date: Tuesday, August 24, 2021

Location and time: Virtual Meeting, 2:30 to 4 p.m. EDT

Registration via this link: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/5067664901003984652>

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By phone: (562) 247-8422, *PIN:* 346-751-009

(4) Date: Thursday, August 26, 2021

Location and time: Virtual Meeting, 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. EDT

Registration via this link: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/2978792919345892364>

By phone: (415) 655-0052, *PIN:* 819-641-913

ADDRESSES: Copies of the DEIS can be downloaded or viewed on the internet at www.regulations.gov (search for docket NOAA-NOS-2021-0050) or at <http://sanctuaries.noaa.gov/lake-ontario/>. Copies can also be obtained by contacting Ellen Brody (in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section of this notice).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ellen Brody, Great Lakes Regional Coordinator, address: 4840 South State Road, Ann Arbor, MI 48108-9719; phone: 734-276-6387; email: ellen.brody@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA, 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) and the NMSA (16 U.S.C. 1434), NOAA prepared a DEIS for a proposed national marine sanctuary in New York's eastern Lake Ontario and the Thousand Islands region of the St. Lawrence River. NOAA announced the availability of the DEIS in a notice issued on July 7, 2021 (86 FR 35757). In that notice, NOAA announced there would be four public meetings, two of which were planned to be virtual meetings, and two of which NOAA

planned to hold in person. When the notice was issued, NOAA included a caveat to the in-person meetings stating “A virtual meeting platform may substitute if public safety concerns remain to prevent the spread of COVID-19.”

NOAA has determined that the two meetings previously scheduled for August 18, 2021 and August 19, 2021 will now be conducted virtually. Interested parties should register to attend a virtual meeting via the information provided in the **DATES** section of this notice or at <https://sanctuaries.noaa.gov/lake-ontario/>.

(Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1431 *et seq.*)

Rebecca R. Holyoke,

Acting Director, Office of National Marine Sanctuaries, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Technical Information Service

[Docket No.: 191122-0088]

Opportunity To Enter Into a Joint Venture Partnership With the National Technical Information Service for Data Innovation Support

AGENCY: National Technical Information Service, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The National Technical Information Service (NTIS) requests proposals from interested private-sector organizations to assist Federal agencies in the development and implementation of innovative ways to collect, connect, access, secure, analyze, disseminate and enable effective and efficient use of data to address unique and complex national data priorities. Specifically, NTIS is interested in partnering with organizations that have specialized skills and capabilities in applied data science areas, such as artificial intelligence, machine learning, robotics, and cybersecurity, to assist the Federal government in leveraging data as a strategic asset to achieve Federal agency mission outcomes. Organizations that are selected in accordance with the evaluation criteria and selection process set forth in this notice will be invited to enter into a joint venture partnership agreement with NTIS to be eligible to compete for Federal data service opportunities identified by NTIS in cooperation with other Federal agencies. In accordance with the President’s

Executive Order on *Advancing Racial Equity and Support for Underserved Communities Through the Federal Government*, E.O. 13985 of Jan 20, 2021, NTIS encourages all individuals and organizations to apply who meet the listed qualifications and requirements in this notice, including those who come from underserved communities, such as Black, Latino, Indigenous and Native American, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and other persons of color; members of religious minorities; lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ+) persons; persons with disabilities; persons who live in rural areas; and persons otherwise adversely affected by persistent poverty or inequality and the organizations that support these individuals and groups.

DATES: Proposals will be received and evaluated on an ongoing basis. Proposals will not be accepted after August 24, 2024. This Notice replaces the notice published on December 13, 2019, 84 FR 68147. Applicants that have already submitted proposals under the 2019 notice do not need to resubmit under this notice.

ADDRESSES: Submit proposals electronically, with the subject line “Opportunity to Enter into a Joint Venture Partnership with the National Technical Information Service for Data Innovation Support”, by emailing both OpportunityAnnouncement@ntis.gov and Randy Caldwell at rcaldwell@ntis.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Randy Caldwell at (703) 605-6321, or by email at rcaldwell@ntis.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Introduction/Background for Potential Joint Venture Partners (JVPs)

NTIS, an agency of the U.S. Department of Commerce, is seeking proposals from potential JVPs that can work with NTIS to assist Federal agencies to leverage innovative ways to collect, connect, access, secure, analyze, disseminate and enable effective and efficient use of data to address unique and complex national data priorities.

Federal agencies are currently addressing national issues in such areas as fraud detection, improper payments, public services, health and safety, cybersecurity, technology transfer, supply chain optimization, and internal requirements to operate more effectively and efficiently. Addressing these mission-critical data issues requires new capabilities in machine learning, artificial intelligence, predictive analytics and other advanced data

science expertise. See OMB M-19-18¹ and Executive Order 13859.² Federal agencies that need the data services of NTIS and its JVPs require holistic solutions that may require the application of multiple data and technological capabilities in new and innovative ways in order to support the agencies’ strategic plans and mission-critical priorities. Many of the challenges facing Federal agencies are at the intersection of data science and information technology (IT) modernization. Solutions often require related capabilities in emerging technologies, innovation, change management, and agile delivery methods. Mission areas that NTIS supports include, but are not limited to, fraud detection, public services, health and safety, technology transfer, and national security.

Activities conducted by NTIS and its JVPs in support of other Federal agencies may include: (1) Designing, testing, analyzing, or demonstrating the application of Federal data and data services, either alone or in combination with non-Federal data; (2) based on Federal data or the use of Federal data in some combination with open Federal data and non-Federal data, facilitating the creation of suites of products, platforms, and services that assist Federal agencies in meeting the needs of businesses, innovators, government agencies, and others; and (3) otherwise enhancing data discovery and usability, data interoperability and standards, data analytics and forecasting, or data infrastructure and security. Projects that can be accomplished by a Federal agency via a commercial-off-the-shelf (COTS) procurement or acquisition action will not be conducted by NTIS with its JVPs.

Organizations that enter into joint venture partnership agreements with NTIS, pursuant to this notice, will have opportunities to engage in early discussions about projects with NTIS and the sponsoring Federal agencies and may subsequently compete for the opportunity to work with NTIS to provide data services on specific projects under a merit-based selection process established by NTIS.

Under a separate notice that will be published in the **Federal Register** (“assistive technologies JVPs notice”), NTIS will accept proposals from interested private-sector organizations to become a JVP eligible to work with

¹ <https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2019/06/M-19-18.pdf>.

² <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2019/02/14/2019-02544/maintaining-american-leadership-in-artificial-intelligence>.