

Guayama, and Fajardo, Puerto Rico. See the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for the specific locations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Delisse Ortiz, delisse.ortiz@noaa.gov, 301-427-8530.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Atlantic HMS fisheries are managed under the 2006 Consolidated HMS Fishery Management Plan and its amendments pursuant to the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*) and consistent with the Atlantic Tunas Convention Act (16 U.S.C. 971 *et seq.*). HMS implementing regulations are at 50 CFR part 635.

Atlantic Highly Migratory Species Outreach Workshop

In recent years, HMS fisheries stakeholders, including fishers, dealers, and the general public, have requested that NMFS prioritize HMS fisheries management education and outreach in the U.S. Caribbean, specifically in Puerto Rico. To be responsive to stakeholder needs in Puerto Rico, NMFS is carrying out free HMS Outreach Workshops across three locations in Puerto Rico. The workshops are designed to educate fishers, dealers, and the general public on HMS regulations, distribute outreach materials, and assist fishers and dealers in applying for HMS permits. The increased engagement, outreach, and education in the U.S. Caribbean as a result of the HMS Outreach Workshops will help meet NMFS's goal of promoting sustainable fisheries and address key shark management outreach requests by our stakeholders in that region. These workshops are also consistent with NMFS's effort to encourage the involvement of disadvantaged or underserved communities consistent with Executive Orders 14008, 12898, and 13895.

Workshop Dates, Times, and Locations

1. August 19, 2024, 5 p.m.–7 p.m.
AST, Villa Pesquera de Cataño, Centro Agropecuario, CVRF+QW4, Las Nereidas Ave., Cataño, PR 00962.

2. August 20, 2024, 4 p.m.–6 p.m.
AST, Club Náutico de Guayama, Carr. 7710 Final Bo Pozuelo, Guayama, PR 00784.

3. August 21, 2024, 5 p.m.–7 p.m.
AST, Centro de Usos Múltiples de Fajardo, Salon B, Calle Dr. Lopez, Estacionamiento Municipal (5to piso), Fajardo, PR 00738.

Additional free HMS Outreach Workshops could be conducted in 2025 and will be announced in a future notice.

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

Dated: August 5, 2024.

Claudia Stephanie Womble,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648-XE179]

Endangered Species; File No. 20347

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

ACTION: Notice; receipt of application for a permit modification.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the University of Maine, School of Marine Sciences, 5741 Libby Hall, Orono, ME 04469 (Gayle Zydlewski, Ph.D., Responsible Party), has requested a modification to scientific research Permit No. 20347-01.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before September 9, 2024.

ADDRESSES: The modification request and related documents are available for review by selecting “Records Open for Public Comment” from the Features box on the Applications and Permits for Protected Species (APPS) home page, <https://apps.nmfs.noaa.gov>, and then selecting File No. 20347 mod #9 from the list of available applications. These documents are also available upon written request via email to NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov.

Written comments on this application should be submitted via email to NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov. Please include File No. 20347 in the subject line of the email comment.

Those individuals requesting a public hearing should submit a written request via email to NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov. The request should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this application would be appropriate.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Malcolm Mohead or Erin Markin, Ph.D., (301) 427-8401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject modification to Permit No. 20347-01, issued on March 12, 2019 (84 FR 15595, April 16, 2019), is requested under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and

exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR parts 222–226).

Permit 20347-01 authorizes research on Atlantic sturgeon and shortnose sturgeon occurring in the Gulf of Maine (GOM) and its tributaries, including the Penobscot, Kennebec, Saco and Merrimack Rivers. Adult, sub-adult, and juvenile sturgeon of each species are sampled with nets, trawls, and trotlines, annually, and then measured, weighed, passive integrated transponder tagged, tissue sampled, and photographed. A subset are acoustically tagged, apical scute and fin ray sampled for age analysis, gastric lavaged, borescoped, and blood sampled. Early life stages of both sturgeon species are also collected to document the occurrence of spawning in GOM tributaries. The permit holder requests to increase the number of adult shortnose sturgeon (from 15 to 30) that may be captured in the Merrimack River for implant of telemetry tags to document sturgeon coastal movement as well as provide evidence of sturgeon access to the Lawrence Dam project boundary. The permit is valid through March 31, 2027.

Dated: August 5, 2024.

Julia M. Harrison,

Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648-XE170]

New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (NEFMC) will host the Eighth National Meeting of the Scientific Coordination Subcommittee (SCS8) of the Council Coordination Committee. The meeting theme is “Applying Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC) Control Rules in a Changing Environment.” The objective of SCS8 is to provide actionable guidance on how to best support Councils in the management of fisheries, particularly on the use of ABC control rules, given the changing environment.

DATES: The meetings will be held from Monday, August 26 to Wednesday,

August 28, 2024. The times are as follows: August 26, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.; August 27, 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m.; August 28, 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

ADDRESSES:

Meeting address: This meeting will be held at the Seaport Hotel, Boston, MA, One Seaport Lane, Boston, MA 02210.

Webinar Registration information: https://nefmc-org.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_7nZ9FuUnQUeycD2WcVDnig.

You can listen-only to the meeting online using a computer, tablet, or smart phone, or by phone only. Only the audio portion and presentations displayed on the screen at the SCS8 meeting will be broadcast.

Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cate O'Keefe, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465–0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Agenda**

The SCS8 objective will be met through a series of keynote and case study presentations, as well as, small-group and plenary discussions on the following topics: Current approaches to defining ABC control rules and challenges in their application; Advances in ecosystem science and assessment to inform ABC control rules in a dynamic environment; Application of social science to achieve management goals under dynamic conditions; Adaptation of reference points, control rules, and rebuilding plans to a changing environment. The agenda is subject to change, and the latest version will be posted at: <https://www.nefmc.org/calendar/aug-26-28-2024-eighth-national-scs-workshop-2024>.

Although non-emergency issues not contained on the agenda may come before this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues 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

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Cate O'Keefe, Executive Director, at (978) 465–0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: August 5, 2024.

Rey Israel Marquez,

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–XE166]

Endangered and Threatened Species; Take of Anadromous Fish

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

ACTION: Notice of receipt of application; 13 permit renewals, 2 permit modifications, and 6 new permits.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that NMFS has received 21 scientific research permit application requests relating to Pacific salmon, steelhead, green sturgeon, rockfish, and eulachon. The proposed research is intended to increase knowledge of species listed under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and to help guide management and conservation efforts.

DATES: Comments or requests for a public hearing on the applications must be received at the appropriate address or fax number (see **ADDRESSES**) no later than 5 p.m. Pacific standard time on September 9, 2024.

ADDRESSES: All written comments on the applications should be sent by email to nmfs.wcr-apps@noaa.gov (please include the permit number in the subject line of the email).

The applications may be viewed online at: https://apps.nmfs.noaa.gov/preview/preview_open_for_comment.cfm.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diana Dishman, Portland, OR (ph.: 503–736–4466), email: Diana.Dishman@noaa.gov. Permit application instructions are available from the address above, or online at <https://apps.nmfs.noaa.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Species Covered in This Notice**

The following listed species are covered in this notice:

Chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*): Threatened Puget Sound (PS); threatened Snake River (SnkR) fall-run; threatened SnkR spring/summer-run; endangered Upper Columbia River (UCR) spring-run; threatened Upper Willamette River (UWR); threatened Lower Columbia River (LCR); endangered Sacramento River (SacR) winter-run; threatened California Coastal (CC).

Steelhead (*O. mykiss*): Threatened Middle Columbia River (MCR); threatened PS; threatened SnkR Basin; threatened UCR; threatened UWR; threatened Central California Coast (CCC); threatened California Central Valley (CCV); threatened Northern California (NC); threatened LCR.

Chum salmon (*O. keta*): Threatened Hood Canal summer-run (HCS); threatened Columbia River (CR).

Coho salmon (*O. kisutch*): threatened Southern Oregon/Northern California Coast (SONCC); endangered Central California Coast (CCC); threatened LCR.

Sockeye salmon (*O. nerka*): Endangered SnkR; Threatened Ozette Lake (OL).

Eulachon (*Thaleichthys pacificus*): Threatened southern (S).

Rockfish: Endangered Puget Sound/Georgia Basin (PS/GB) Boccacio (*Sebastes paucispinis*) Distinct Population Segment (DPS); threatened PS/GB Yelloweye (*Sebastes ruberrimus*) DPS.

Green sturgeon (*Acipenser medirostris*): Threatened southern Distinct Population Segment (SDPS).

Authority

Scientific research permits are issued in accordance with section 10(a)(1)(A) of the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR 222–226). NMFS issues permits based on findings that such permits: (1) are applied for in good faith; (2) if granted and exercised, would not operate to the disadvantage of the listed species that are the subject of the permit; and (3) are consistent with the purposes and policy of section 2 of the ESA. The authority to take listed species is subject to conditions set forth in the permits.

Anyone requesting a hearing on an application listed in this notice should set out the specific reasons why a hearing on that application would be appropriate (see **ADDRESSES**). Such hearings are held at the discretion of the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NMFS.