Subpart J—Local Television Transmission Service

§ 101.819 [Removed and Reserved]

 \blacksquare 307. Remove and reserve § 101.819.

Subpart M—Competitive Bidding Procedures for LMDS

§ 101.1109 [Removed and Reserved]

■ 308. Remove and reserve § 101.1109.

§ 101.1111 [Removed and Reserved]

■ 309. Remove and reserve § 101.1111.

Subpart O—Multiple Address Systems

§101.1301 [Removed and Reserved]

■ 310. Remove and reserve § 101.1301.

§ 101.1309 [Removed and Reserved]

■ 311. Remove and reserve § 101.1309.

§ 101.1311 [Removed and Reserved]

■ 312. Remove and reserve § 101.1311.

§ 101.1321 [Removed and Reserved]

■ 313. Remove and reserve § 101.1321.

§ 101.1323 [Removed and Reserved]

■ 314. Remove and reserve § 101.1323.

Subpart P—Multichannel Video Distribution and Data Service Rules for the 12.2–12.7 GHz Band

§101.1411 [Amended]

■ 315. Section 101.1411 is amended by removing paragraphs (b) and (c).

§101.1413 [Amended]

■ 316. Section 101.1413 is amended by removing paragraph (c).

§ 101.1417 [Removed and Reserved]

■ 317. Remove and reserve § 101.1417.

§ 101.1425 [Removed and Reserved]

■ 318. Remove and reserve § 101.1425.

Subpart Q—Service and Technical Rules for the 70/80/90 GHz Bands

§ 101.1525 [Removed and Reserved]

■ 319. Remove and reserve § 101.1525. [FR Doc. 2025–22633 Filed 12–11–25; 8:45 am]

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 622

[Docket No. 140818679-5356-02; RTID 0648-XF379]

Reef Fish Fishery of the Gulf of America; Reopening of the Red Snapper Recreational For-Hire Fishing Season in the Gulf of America

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

ACTION: Temporary rule; reopening.

SUMMARY: NMFS is reopening the recreational fishing season for the Federal charter vessel/headboat (forhire) component for red snapper in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ) of the Gulf of America (Gulf) through this temporary rule. The most recent landings data for the red snapper forhire component in the Gulf indicate the component annual catch target (ACT) for the 2025 fishing year has not yet been reached. Therefore, the red snapper recreational for-hire component in the Gulf EEZ will reopen to allow harvest of the remaining for-hire component ACT. NMFS intends this action to increase benefits to for-hire fishermen while protecting the Gulf red snapper resource by continuing to constrain harvest to the component quota.

DATES: This temporary rule is effective from 12:01 a.m., local time, December 11, 2025, through 12:01 a.m., local time, on January 1, 2026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Gulf reef fish fishery, which includes red snapper, is managed under the Fishery Management Plan for the Reef Fish Resources of the Gulf (FMP). The FMP was prepared by the Gulf Fishery Management Council, approved by the Secretary of Commerce, and is implemented by NMFS under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act) by regulations at 50 CFR part 622.

All weights described in this temporary rule are in round weight.

The final rule implementing Amendment 40 to the FMP established two components within the recreational sector fishing for Gulf red snapper: the private angling component and the Federal for-hire component (80 FR 22422, April 22, 2015). Amendment 40 also allocated the red snapper recreational annual catch limit (recreational quota) between the components and established separate seasonal closures for the two components. The Federal for-hire component's red snapper ACT is 9 percent below the for-hire component quota (87 FR 74014, December 2, 2022; 50 CFR 622.41(q)(2)(iii)(B)).

The red snapper for-hire component seasonal closure is projected using the component's ACT to reduce the likelihood of the harvest exceeding the component quota and the total recreational quota. The Federal for-hire component ACT for red snapper in the Gulf EEZ is 3,076,322 pounds (lb)(1,395,396 kilograms (kg)) (50 CFR 622 41(a)(2)(iii)(R))

622.41(q)(2)(iii)(B)).

NMFS previously determined that the 2025 Federal Gulf red snapper for-hire fishing season would be 107 days based on when landings were expected to reach the component ACT. NMFS projected this season length based on average catch rates for 2020-2022, 2020-2024, and 2022-2024, and using only 2024 landings. For details about the projection for 2025, see https:// www.fisheries.noaa.gov/southeast/ sustainable-fisheries/recreational-redsnapper-management-gulf-america. Based on this projection, NMFS announced in the Federal Register that the 2025 recreational season for the Federal for-hire component would begin at 12:01 a.m., local time, on June 1, 2025, and close at 12:01 a.m., local time, on September 16, 2025 (90 FR 20127, May 12, 2025).

The most recent landings data for the Gulf red snapper for-hire component indicate that approximately 843,701 lb (382,696 kg), of the for-hire component ACT has not been harvested. NMFS projects that the remaining ACT will allow for harvest through the remainder of the current 2025 fishing year.

Therefore, in accordance with 50 CFR 622.8(c), NMFS reopens the Gulf red snapper Federal for-hire component for the remainder of the 2025 fishing year to allow for harvest of the component ACT. The recreational season for the Federal for-hire component will reopen at 12:01 a.m., local time, December 11, 2025, and close at 12:01 a.m., local time, on January 1, 2026. When the for-hire component closes again on January 1, 2026, the bag and possession limits for red snapper for Federal for-hire vessels will be zero. When the Federal for-hire component is closed, these bag and possession limits apply in the Gulf on board a vessel for which a valid Federal

for-hire permit for Gulf reef fish has been issued, without regard to where red snapper were harvested, *i.e.*, in state or Federal waters. In addition, a person aboard a vessel that has been issued a charter vessel/headboat permit for Gulf reef fish any time during the fishing year may not harvest or possess red snapper in or from the Gulf EEZ when the Federal charter vessel/headboat component is closed.

Classification

NMFS issues this action pursuant to section 305(d) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act. This action is taken under 50 CFR 622.8(c), which was issued pursuant to section 304(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, and is exempt from review under Executive Order 12866, and other applicable laws.

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), there is good cause to waive prior notice and an opportunity for public comment on this action, as notice and comment is unnecessary and contrary to the public interest. Such procedures are unnecessary because the regulation at 50 CFR 622.8(c) has already been subject to notice and comment, and all that remains is to notify the public that additional harvest is available under the established Federal for-hire component ACT, and therefore, the Federal for-hire component for Gulf red snapper will reopen. Such procedures are contrary to the public interest because of need to immediately implement this action to allow persons on board Federal for-hire vessels the opportunity to harvest the remainder of the Federal for-hire component ACT. Prior notice and opportunity for public comment would not allow the re-opening to occur.

For the aforementioned reasons, there is also good cause to waive the 30-day delay in the effectiveness of this action under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3).

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

Dated: December 10, 2025.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 660

[Docket No. 251118-0171]

RIN 0648-BN15

Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; Fisheries off West Coast States; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery; Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan; Amendment 34; Groundfish Exclusion Area for Coral Research and Restoration

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

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This final rule implements regulations for amendment 34 to the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan (Groundfish FMP). The regulations include a closure to commercial groundfish bottom contact gear in Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary (MBŇMS). Specifically, NMFS is implementing a new groundfish exclusion area (GEA) for the purposes of coral research and restoration within MBNMS at the site of Sur Ridge. This action closes the Sur Ridge site within the MBNMS off California to commercial groundfish bottom contact gear in order to protect future deep-sea coral research and restoration projects from the impact of fishing gear. The Office of National Marine Sanctuaries (ONMS) conducts scientific research in National Marine Sanctuaries, including on deep sea coral survival, growth and reproduction, under the National Marine Sanctuaries Act (NMSA) and the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act).

DATES: Effective January 12, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Information relevant to amendment 34, which includes an analysis that addresses Presidential Executive Order 12866, the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA), and the statutory requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Act (the Analysis), may be obtained from the NMFS West Coast Region website at: https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/region/west-coast.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Pacific Coast groundfish fishery in the U.S. exclusive economic zone (EEZ)

seaward of Washington, Oregon, and California is managed under the Groundfish FMP. The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) developed the Groundfish FMP pursuant to the Magnuson-Stevens Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.). The Secretary of Commerce approved the Groundfish FMP and implemented the provisions of the plan at 50 CFR part 660, subparts C through G. Species managed under the Groundfish FMP include more than 90 species of groundfish, flatfish, rockfish, sharks, and skates.

This final rule implements regulations for amendment 34 to the Groundfish FMP. Consistent with section 303(c)(1) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, the Council deemed the regulations consistent with and necessary to implement amendment 34 in an October 1, 2024 letter from the Council Executive Director to the Regional Administrator. The notice of availability for amendment 34, which describes the specific changes being made to the Groundfish FMP, was published on October 9, 2024 (89 FR 81878) and was open for public comment through December 8, 2024. The proposed rule for amendment 34, which includes the regulations necessary for implementing amendment 34, was published on October 23, 2024 (89 FR 84511), and was open for public comment through November 22, 2024.

Background

The Council met throughout 2023 and 2024 to consider developing fisheries closures for deep-sea coral restoration and research in response to a request from the ONMS. ONMS conducts scientific research in National Marine Sanctuaries, including within MBNMS, under the NMSA and the Magnuson-Stevens Act.

In September 2023, ONMS presented a scoping paper that posed 5 locations with 10 sites within Greater Farallones National Marine Sanctuary (GFNMS) and MBNMS for deep sea coral restoration and research (section 1.2 of the Analysis). At that meeting, the Council chose to continue to scope closures in MBNMS only, at the locations of Año Nuevo and Ascension Canyons (two sites) and Sur Ridge (one site), for areas to conduct coral research and restoration. The Council proposed that these areas could be closed to bottom contact gears as GEAs. GEAs were established by amendment 32 to the Groundfish FMP (88 FR 83830, December 1, 2023) and are a management tool intended to mitigate the impacts to sensitive environments from certain groundfish fishing activity.