

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**International Trade Administration**

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High Purity Dissolving Pulp From Brazil and Norway: Postponement of Preliminary Determinations in the Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

DATES: Applicable February 18, 2026.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ian Riggs at (202) 482-3810 (Brazil); or Braeden Lowe at (202) 482-9124 (Norway), AD/CVD Operations, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

On September 2, 2025, the U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) initiated less-than-fair-value (LTFV) investigations of imports of high purity dissolving pulp from Brazil and Norway.¹ Due to the lapse in appropriations and Federal Government shutdown, on November 14, 2025, Commerce tolled all deadlines in administrative proceedings by 47 days.² Additionally, due to a backlog of documents that were electronically filed via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS) during the Federal Government shutdown, on November 24, 2025, Commerce tolled all deadlines in administrative proceedings by an additional 21 days.³ Currently, the preliminary determinations are due no later than March 30, 2026.

Postponement of Preliminary Determinations

Section 733(b)(1)(A) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act), requires Commerce to issue the preliminary determination in an LTFV investigation within 140 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation. However, section 733(c)(1) of the Act permits Commerce to postpone the preliminary determination until no later

than 190 days after the date on which Commerce initiated the investigation if: (A) the petitioner makes a timely request for a postponement; or (B) Commerce concludes that the parties concerned are cooperating, that the investigation is extraordinarily complicated, and that additional time is necessary to make a preliminary determination. Under 19 CFR 351.205(e), the petitioner must submit a request for postponement 25 days or more before the scheduled date of the preliminary determination and must state the reasons for the request. Commerce will grant the request unless it finds compelling reasons to deny the request.

On January 20, 2026, the petitioners submitted a timely request that Commerce postpone the preliminary determinations in these LTFV investigations.⁴ The petitioners stated that they request postponement "given the size and complexity of the investigations, the extensions of time {Commerce} has already granted to respondents, and the fact that in the Norway investigation {Commerce} has yet to select a comparison country market."⁵ Additionally, the petitioners stated that an extension of time will allow the petitioners "adequate time to comment on responses and will allow {Commerce} adequate time to issue supplemental questionnaires and to conduct thorough analyses of all issues identified."⁶

For the reasons stated above and because there are no compelling reasons to deny the request, Commerce, in accordance with section 733(c)(1)(A) of the Act, is postponing the deadline for the preliminary determinations by 50 days.⁷ As a result, Commerce will issue its preliminary determinations no later than May 18, 2026. In accordance with section 735(a)(1) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.210(b)(1), the deadline for the final determinations of these investigations will continue to be 75 days after the date of the preliminary determinations, unless postponed at a later date.

⁴ The petitioners are Rayonier Advanced Materials, Inc. and the United Steel, Paper and Forestry, Rubber, Manufacturing, Energy, Allied Industrial and Service Workers International Union, AFL-CIO. See Petitioners' Letter, "Petitioners' Request to Fully Extend the Preliminary Determinations for Antidumping Duty Investigations," dated January 20, 2026.

⁶ *Id.*

⁷ Commerce is extending the time period for the preliminary determinations to 190 days after the initiation date of this investigation (*i.e.*, September 2, 2025). However, because Commerce tolled certain deadlines in this investigation as a result of the Federal Government shutdown, the deadline is now May 18, 2026.

This notice is issued and published pursuant to section 733(c)(2) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(f)(1).

Dated: February 11, 2026.

Christopher Abbott,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy and Negotiations, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

[RTID 0648-XF511]

Pacific 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 Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Pacific Council) Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) will hold an online public meeting.

DATES: The online meeting will be held Tuesday, March 3, 2026, from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Pacific Standard Time or until business for the day has been completed.

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be held online. Specific meeting information, including directions on how to join the meeting and system requirements will be provided in the meeting announcement on the Pacific Council's website (see www.pcouncil.org). You may send an email to Mr. Hayden York (Hayden.York@pcouncil.org) or contact him at (503) 820-2424 for technical assistance.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, Oregon 97220-1384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Katrina Bernaus, Staff Officer, Pacific Council; telephone: (503) 820-2420.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The primary purpose of this online meeting is a work session of the CPSMT to discuss matters related to the management cycle of the central subpopulation of northern anchovy and the Pacific Council's future meeting agenda and workload planning. No management actions will be decided by the CPSMT. CPSMT recommendations will be considered by the Pacific Council at the March 2026 Pacific

¹ See *High Purity Dissolving Pulp from Brazil and Norway: Initiation of Less-Than-Fair-Value Investigations*, 90 FR 43168 (September 8, 2025) (*Initiation Notice*).

² See Memorandum, "Deadlines Affected by the Shutdown of the Federal Government," dated November 14, 2025.

³ See Memorandum, "Tolling of all Case Deadlines," dated November 24, 2025.

Council meeting. The meeting agenda will be available on the Pacific Council's website in advance of the meeting.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may be discussed, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any issues arising after publication of this document that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mr. Hayden York (Hayden.York@pcouncil.org; (503) 820-2424) at least 10 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: February 12, 2026.

Becky J. Curtis,

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-XF540]

South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Meeting of the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council.

SUMMARY: The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold meetings of the following: Snapper Grouper Commercial Sub-Committee; Snapper Grouper Committee, and Southeast Data Assessment and Review (SEDAR) Committee. The meeting week will also include a formal public comment session and meetings of the Full Council.

DATES: The Council meeting will be held from 2 p.m. on Monday, March 2, 2026, until 12 p.m. on Friday, March 6, 2026.

ADDRESSES: *Meeting address:* The meeting will be held at the Villas by the Sea Resort, 1175 N Beachview Drive,

Jekyll Island, GA 31527; phone (912) 635-2521. The meeting will also be available via webinar. See

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Myra Brouwer, Deputy Director for Management, SAFMC; phone (843) 302-8436 or toll free (866) SAFMC-10; FAX (843) 769-4520; email: myra.brouwer@safmc.net.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Meeting information, including agendas, overviews, and briefing book materials will be posted on the Council's website at: <https://safmc.net/council-meetings/>. Webinar registration links for the meeting will also be available from the Council's website.

Public comment: Public comment on agenda items may be submitted through the Council's online comment form available from the Council's website at: <https://safmc.net/events/march-2026-council-meeting/>. Written comments will be accepted from February 13, 2026, until March 6, 2026. These comments are accessible to the public, part of the Administrative Record of the meeting, and immediately available for Council consideration. A formal public comment session will also be held during the Council meeting.

The items of discussion in the individual meeting agendas are as follows:

Snapper Grouper Commercial Sub-Committee, Monday, March 2, 2026, 2 p.m. Until 5 p.m.

The Snapper Grouper Commercial Sub-Committee will continue reviewing management measures proposed in Amendment 60 to the Snapper Grouper Fishery Management Plan to address permits and trip efficiency in the commercial fishery. The Sub-Committee will also receive feedback from the Law Enforcement Advisory Panel regarding the proposed measures.

Council Session I, Tuesday, March 3, 2026, 8:30 a.m. Until 3 p.m.

The Council will receive a litigation brief and reports from state agencies, Council liaisons, the Law Enforcement Advisory Panel, Resilient Fisheries projects, the Habitat and Ecosystem Advisory Panel, Lines of Communications meetings, and the Shrimp Workgroup. The Council will also receive briefings from the National Marine Fisheries Service Southeast Regional Office and the Southeast Fisheries Science Center (SEFSC). The Council will receive a presentation on NOAA fisheries progress towards a value/risk matrix for managed stocks and review a draft comment letter on

the proposed rule for commercial Atlantic Blacknose Shark and recreational Atlantic shark fisheries.

Snapper Grouper Committee, Tuesday, March 3, 2026, 3:15 p.m. Until 5 p.m., Wednesday, March 4, 2026, 8:30 a.m. Until 3:45 p.m., and Thursday, March 5, 2026, 8:30 a.m. Until 12 p.m.

The Committee will receive updates from the National Marine Fisheries Service on amendments undergoing rulemaking, any new Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) applications, and the EFPs that were submitted in November 2025 by the South Atlantic states to pilot state management of the recreational Red Snapper fishery in the South Atlantic.

The Committee will review the report from the Commercial Sub-Committee meeting held earlier in the week. The Committee will discuss an amendment to address sunset of Spawning Special Management Zones and consider feedback from the Law Enforcement Advisory Panel on enforcement and compliance with the closed areas. The Committee will review information on potential changes to regulations for South Atlantic headboats and consider feedback on this topic from the Law Enforcement Advisory Panel. The Committee will also review sector allocations for Vermilion Snapper and Red Grouper.

The Committee will continue discussion of Amendment 61 to the Snapper Grouper Fishery Management Plan to evaluate the composition of the Snapper Grouper Fishery Management Unit and consider feedback from the Law Enforcement Advisory Panel. The Committee will receive an update on the status of needed information to continue developing Amendment 56 addressing Black Sea Bass and review progress on Amendment 44 to the Snapper Grouper Fishery Management Plan addressing catch levels for Yellowtail Snapper and Mutton Snapper. The Committee is scheduled to finalize an Innovation Plan for the Snapper Grouper Fishery and review topics for the spring meeting of the Snapper Grouper Advisory Panel.

Wednesday, March 4, 2026, 4 p.m.— Public comment will be accepted from individuals attending the meeting in person and via webinar on all items on the Council meeting agenda. The Council Chair will determine the amount of time provided to each commenter based on the number of individuals wishing to comment.

SEDAR Committee, March 5, 2026, 1:30 p.m. Until 3:30 p.m.

The Committee will receive a report from the SEDAR Steering Committee and discuss SEDAR process updates.