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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 110201B]

Caribbean Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Caribbean Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold meetings.

DATES: The meetings will be held on November 28-29, 2001. The Council will convene on Wednesday, November 28, 2001, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. through Thursday, November 29, 2001, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., approximately.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Wyndham Sugar Bay Beach Club and Resort, St. Thomas, USVI.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Caribbean Fishery Management Council, 268 Muñoz Rivera Avenue, Suite 1108, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918-2577; telephone: (787) 766-5926.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Council will hold its 106th regular public meeting to discuss the items contained in the following agenda:

- Call to Order
- Adoption of Agenda
- Consideration of 105th Council Meeting Summary Minutes
- Executive Director's Report
- Queen Conch Fisheries/Fishery Management Plan (QCFMP)
 - Honduras Fisheries - Mr. Luis Morales
 - U.S. Caribbean Data Update - Mrs. Monica Valle
 - QCFMP Amendment 2/
- Supplementary Environmental Impact Statement/UPDATE - E.V.E. Joy & J. Weaver
 - Reeffish Fisheries
 - U.S. Caribbean Data Update - Dr. Nancie Cummings
 - Marine Conservation District Update - Dr. Rick Nemeth
 - Draft Amendment 4 to the Reeffish FMP
 - Permit System
 - Puerto Rico - R. Martinez

- U.S. Virgin Islands - B. Kojis
- Federal Government - B. Sutter
- Administrative Committee Meeting
- Dolphin/Wahoo FMP
- Council Consideration of Comments Received on Draft Environmental Impact Statement

- Final Action - Submission to the Secretary
- Essential Fish Habitat Option Paper - MRAG Americas
- Enforcement

- Federal Government
- Puerto Rico
- U.S. Virgin Islands
- Recommendations by the Administrative Committee
- Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC)/Advisory Panel (AP)/Habitat AP Membership
- Meetings Attended by Council Members and Staff

- International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) Committee Meeting -Gulf and Caribbean Fishery Institute (GCFI) Meeting
- Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee (MAFAC) Meeting -Western Central Atlantic Fishery Commission (WECAFC) Meeting

- Other Business
- Next Council Meeting
- Meetings Attended by Council Members and Staff
- Other Business
- Next Council Meeting

The meetings are open to the public, and will be conducted in English. Fishers and other interested persons are invited to attend and participate with oral or written statements regarding agenda issues.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice 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 Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. For more information or request for sign language interpretation and/or other auxiliary aids, please contact Mr. Miguel A. Rolón, Executive Director, Caribbean Fishery Management Council, 268 Muñoz Rivera Avenue, Suite 1108, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918-2577; telephone: (787) 766-5926, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: November 2, 2001.

Richard W. Surdi,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 110501D]

Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The NOAA Law Enforcement Office and the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will host a workshop on violations of closed shrimping areas in south Florida.

DATES: The joint NOAA Enforcement and Council meeting will be held November 28, 2001, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Bayou La Batre Community Center, Padgett Switch Road, Bayou La Batre, AL 36509.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 3018 U.S. Highway 301 North, Suite 1000, Tampa, FL 33619.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Richard L. Leard, Senior Fishery Biologist; telephone: 813-228-2815.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NOAA Law Enforcement Office and the Council will host a workshop for shrimp fishermen and dealers/processors to review the history of violations in the Tortugas Shrimp Closure and Southwest Florida Seasonal Trawl Closure. The primary purpose of the workshop is to advise industry representatives that violations have increased in these closed areas and other closed areas in state waters and to discuss the penalties that are levied for such violations. NOAA Enforcement representatives and perhaps other enforcement officers will review planned enforcement efforts for the upcoming season that generally begins in December. These officers as well as a Council staff representative will also be available to answer any questions regarding enforcement or management efforts.

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A copy of the agenda can be obtained by calling 813-228-2815.

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Richard W. Surdi,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 110501E]

Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene a public meeting of the Socioeconomic Panel (SEP).

DATES: A meeting of the SEP will be held beginning at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 28, 2001, and will conclude at 4 p.m. on Thursday, November 29, 2001.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Tampa Airport Hilton Hotel, 2225 Lois Avenue, Tampa, FL 33607; telephone: 813-877-6688.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 3018 U.S. Highway 301 North, Suite 1000, Tampa, FL 33619.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Antonio B. Lamberte, Economist; telephone: 813-228-2815.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The SEP will convene to review available social and economic information on gag, vermilion snapper, and gray triggerfish and to determine the social and economic implications of the levels of acceptable biological catch (ABC) recommended by the Council's Reef Fish Stock Assessment Panel (RFSAP). The SEP may recommend to the Council total allowable catch (TAC) levels for the 2002 fishing year and certain management measures associated with achieving the TACs. Assessments for mackerel and cobia will also be reviewed by the SEP. In addition, the SEP will review a charterboat/headboat study and hear a presentation on a recently completed study on fishing communities.

Composing the SEP membership are economists, sociologists, and anthropologists from various universities and state fishery agencies throughout the Gulf. They advise the Council on the social and economic implications of certain fishery management measures.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agendas may come before the SEP for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Actions of the SEP will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agendas 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 action to address the emergency.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 110201C]

Gulf of Mexico 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 Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council will convene a public meeting of the Mississippi/Louisiana Habitat Protection Advisory Panel (AP).

DATES: The AP meeting is scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. on December 4, 2001, and will conclude by 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the New Orleans Airport Hilton, 901 Airline Highway, Kenner, LA 70062; telephone: 504-469-5000.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 3018 U.S. Highway 301 North, Suite 1000, Tampa, FL 33619.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Richard Leard, Senior Fishery Biologist, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: 813-228-2815.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: At this meeting, the AP will discuss the progress of the coastal Mississippi Environmental Impact Statement; the Hancock County Board of Supervisors beach nourishment project; the Islander Casino and Resort project; the Caernarvon freshwater diversion impacts on fisheries; and review the Council's Freshwater Inflow Policy. The AP will also receive an update on the Essential Fish Habitat Environmental Impact Statement.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agendas may come before the AP for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Actions of the AP will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agendas 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 action to address the emergency.

The Mississippi/Louisiana Habitat AP is part of a three-unit Habitat Protection AP of the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council). The