

Location: Holiday Inn, One Newbury Street, Peabody, MA 01960; telephone: (978) 535-4600.

The committee will discuss whether to initiate a framework action to adjust open area days at sea allocations in 2005, to change measures to monitor or control fishing activity by vessels holding general category scallop permits, and to require potential new sea turtle protection measures and actions to address other management concerns as necessary. The Plan Development Team will also provide management advice about how the Council should respond to the recent stock assessment, which found that overfishing was occurring on the sea scallop resource. The committee may also discuss long-term planning issues for the Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation (SAFE) Report, the next regular framework adjustment for the 2006 fishing year, and possibly future plan amendments.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before these groups for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. 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.

#### Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Paul J. Howard (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 days prior to the meeting dates.

Dated: July 30, 2004.

**Alan D. Risenhoover,**

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

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 072904F]

##### South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

#### **ACTION:** Notice of a joint public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a joint meeting of its Information and Education Committee and Information and Education Advisory Panel in Charleston, SC.

**DATES:** The meeting will take place August 24-26, 2004. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Hampton Inn and Suites, 678 Citadel Haven Drive, Charleston, SC 29414; telephone: 843/573-1200 or toll free 800/426-7866.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kim Iverson, Public Information Officer, South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, One Southpark Circle, Suite 306, Charleston, SC 29407; telephone: 843/571-4366 or toll free 866/SAFMC-10; fax: 843/769-4520.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Information and Education Committee will meet jointly with the Advisory Panel from 1:30 p.m. until 5 p.m. on August 24, 2004, from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. on August 25, 2004, and from 8:30 a.m. until 12 noon on August 26, 2004.

The Information and Education Committee and Advisory Panel will meet jointly to review and discuss issues relative to outreach and public affairs. During the joint meeting, the Committee and Advisory Panel will review and discuss options and develop recommendations to the Council regarding the following: the Council's current Web site design, content, and hosting; an outreach strategy for the Oculina Bank Experimental Closed Area off the central East Coast of Florida; and outreach efforts relevant to the Council's Action Plan for Ecosystem-Based Management. In addition, the Committee and Advisory Panel will review the current regulations brochure and develop recommendations for options regarding design and distribution of the brochure.

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#### **Special Accommodations**

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (see **ADDRESSES**) by August 23, 2004.

Dated: July 30, 2004.

**Alan D. Risenhoover,**

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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##### Endangered and Threatened Species; Take of Anadromous Fish

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

**ACTION:** Receipt of applications for issuance and renewal and modification of scientific research/enhancement permits and request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that NOAA Fisheries has received applications to renew and modify permits from Bureau of Reclamation, Weaverville, CA (Permit 1072) and Bureau of Land Management, Arcata, CA (Permit 1088), and to issue a new Permit to Humboldt State University Foundation, Institute for River Ecosystems (1283). These permits would affect any or all of three Evolutionarily Significant Units (ESUs) of salmonids identified in the Supplementary Information section. This document serves to notify the public of the availability of the permit application for review and comment before a final approval or disapproval is made by NOAA Fisheries.

**DATES:** Written comments on the permit application must be received at the appropriate address or fax number (see **ADDRESSES**) no later than 5 p.m. Daylight Savings Time on September 3, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments on any of these requests should be sent to the appropriate office as indicated below. Comments may also be sent via facsimile to the number indicated for the request. Comments will be accepted if submitted via e-mail at [FRNpermits.ar@noaa.gov](mailto:FRNpermits.ar@noaa.gov). Email comments must have the permit number in the subject line. The applications and

related documents are available for review in the indicated office, by appointment: For Permits 1072, 1088, and 1283: Karen Hans, Protected Species Division, NOAA Fisheries, 1655 Heindon Road, Arcata, CA 95521 (ph: 707-825-5180, fax: 707-825-4840).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Karen Hans at phone number (707 825 5180), or e-mail: [karen.hans@noaa.gov](mailto:karen.hans@noaa.gov)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Authority**

Under section 3(18) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 as amended (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1536 *et seq.*), take is defined as "to harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect, or to attempt to engage in any such conduct". Under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the ESA, "The Secretary may permit, under such terms and conditions as he shall prescribe- (A) any act otherwise prohibited by section 9 for scientific purposes...". Issuance of permits and permit modifications, as required by the ESA, is based on a finding that such permits/modifications (1) are applied for in good faith, (2) would not operate to the disadvantage of the listed species which are the subject of the permits, and (3) are consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA. Authority to take listed species is subject to conditions set forth in the permits. Permits and modifications are issued in accordance with and are subject to the ESA and NOAA Fisheries regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 222-226).

Those individuals 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**). The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA. All statements and opinions contained in the permit action summaries are those of the applicant and do not necessarily reflect the views of NOAA Fisheries.

**Species Covered in This Notice**

This notice is relevant to the following three threatened salmonid ESUs:

Southern Oregon/Northern California Coast (SONCC) coho salmon (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*),

California Coastal (CC) Chinook salmon (*O. tshawytscha*).

Northern California (NC) steelhead (*O. mykiss*),

**Renewal and Modification Requests Received**

*Permit 1072*

The Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) has requested the renewal and modification of Permit 1072 for take of juvenile SONCC coho salmon and tissue collection from adult carcasses from these species, associated with studies assessing presence and population abundances, and genetic diversity of salmon and steelhead in the Trinity River. Permit 1072 was originally issued on May 4, 1998. The BOR has proposed to use in-stream trapping as the method of capture. The BOR has requested non-lethal take of 4650 juvenile SONCC coho salmon with an unintentional mortality of 3.0 percent of fish captured. Permit 1072 will expire on September 1, 2014.

*Permit 1088*

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has requested the renewal and modification of Permit 1088 for take of SONCC coho salmon, CC Chinook salmon, and NC steelhead associated with studies assessing presence and population abundances of salmon and steelhead in selected locations on BLM lands under the jurisdiction of the Arcata Field Office. The BLM proposes to capture juvenile and adult salmon and steelhead by in-stream traps and electrofishing, and requests take for juvenile salmon and steelhead captured during macroinvertebrate sampling. Permit 1088 was originally issued on April 24, 1998. The BLM has requested non-lethal take of up to 12,200 juvenile SONCC coho salmon with an unintentional mortality of 1.0 percent of fish handled; 20,050 juvenile CC Chinook salmon with an unintentional mortality of 1.0 percent of fish handled; and 60,400 juvenile NC steelhead with an unintentional mortality of 1.0 percent of fish handled. Permit 1088 will expire April 1, 2014.

**Issuance Request Received**

*Permit 1283*

Humboldt State University Foundation Institute for River Ecosystems (IRE) has requested the issuance of Permit 1283 for take of SONCC coho salmon, CC Chinook salmon, and NC steelhead associated with studies assessing presence and population abundances of coho salmon and steelhead in selected locations in the Mad-Redwood hydrologic unit (MR-HUC). The MR-HUC includes all anadromous streams that drain into Humboldt Bay and all streams that drain into the Pacific Ocean north to, but not

including, the Klamath River. The IRE has requested non-lethal take of up to 9,000 juvenile SONCC coho salmon with an unintentional mortality of 2.0 percent of fish handled; 30 juvenile CC Chinook salmon with an unintentional mortality of 1 fish; and 9,600 juvenile NC steelhead with an unintentional mortality of 2.0 percent of fish handled. Permit 1283 will expire January 1, 2012.

Dated: July 29, 2004.

**Susan Pultz,**

*Acting Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**Patent and Trademark Office**

**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

*Agency:* United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

*Title:* United States Patent Applicant Survey.

*Form Number(s):* None. The surveys contained in this information collection do not have USPTO form numbers assigned to them. When the surveys are approved, they will carry the OMB Control Number and the date on which OMB's approval of the information collection expires.

*Agency Approval Number:* 0651-00XX.

*Type of Request:* New collection.

*Burden:* 187 hours.

*Number of Respondents:* 445 responses.

*Avg. Hours Per Response:* 7 or 30 minutes, depending on the survey.

The USPTO estimates that it takes an average of 7 minutes (0.12 hours) to complete the surveys for the independent inventors and that it takes an average of 30 minutes (0.50 hours) to complete the surveys for large domestic corporations, small to medium-size businesses, and universities and non-profit research organizations. This includes the time to gather the necessary information, respond to the surveys, and submit them to the USPTO. The USPTO believes that it takes the same amount of time to respond to the surveys, whether the