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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 M. Jan Bryan at the Council office, (302) 674-2331 extension 18, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: April 21, 2008.

Tracey L. Thompson,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council's (Council) Multispecies (Groundfish) Committee will meet to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).

DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2008, at 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn, One Newbury Street, Peabody, MA 01960; telephone: (978) 535-4600.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The items of discussion in the committee's agenda are as follows:

The Groundfish Oversight Committee will meet to continue development of Amendment 16 to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan. Amendment 16 will adopt measures necessary to continue rebuilding of

multispecies stocks. The Committee will focus its efforts on reviewing alternatives for effort controls designed to meet the mortality objectives of the amendment. Since stock status will not be known until later this year, the effort control alternatives will be designed to achieve changes in mortality identified in an earlier action. It is not known if these changes will be sufficient or unnecessary once stock status is known. The Committee will also develop options for recreational management measures, further develop annual catch limit and accountability measures for commercial and recreational groundfish fishing, and clarify sector policy issues. The Committee may develop recommendations for preferred alternatives for all management measures that are being considered. Recommendations from this committee will be forwarded to the Council for consideration.

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Special Accommodations

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Pacific 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 Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Coastal Pelagic Species (CPS) advisory bodies will hold meetings, which are open to the public, on May 13-15, 2008. The primary purpose of the meetings is to review the current Pacific Mackerel Stock Assessment.

DATES: The Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) and the Scientific and Statistical Committee's (SSC) CPS subcommittee will meet in a joint session on Tuesday, May 13, 2008, from 10 a.m. until business for the day is completed. The CPSMT will hold a work session on Wednesday, May 14, 2008, from 8:30 a.m. until business for the day is completed. The Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel (CPSAS) will meet Thursday, May 15, 2008, from 8:30 a.m. until business for the day is completed.

ADDRESSES: All meetings will be held at National Marine Fisheries Service, Southwest Regional Office, Glenn M. Anderson Federal Office Building, Suite 4200, Large Conference Room, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Long Beach, CA 90802; telephone: (562) 980-4000.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Mike Burner, Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: (503) 820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The CPSMT and the SSC CPS subcommittee will review the current Pacific mackerel stock assessment. The CPSMT will also develop harvest guideline and seasonal structure recommendations for the 2008-09 Pacific mackerel fishery and review the 2008 CPS Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation (SAFE) document. The CPSAS will review information developed by the CPSMT about the current Pacific mackerel stock assessment and harvest guideline and seasonal structure recommendations for the 2008-09 fishery. The CPSMT and CPSAS will develop recommendations for Council consideration at its June 2008 meeting in Foster City, CA, and address other issues relating to CPS management, including, status and management of the 2008 Pacific sardine fishery, marine protected areas, research and data needs, and implementation of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Reauthorization Act. No management actions will be decided by the CPSMT, the SSC CPS subcommittee, or the CPSAS.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agendas may be discussed, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Advisory body 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 Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Ms. Carolyn Porter at (503) 820-2280 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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Tracey L. Thompson,

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: This notice advises the public that the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene meetings of the Hawaii Archipelago Advisory Panel, the Hawaii Archipelago Plan Team and the Hawaii Archipelago Regional Ecosystem Advisory Committee in Honolulu, HI.

DATES: The Hawaii Archipelago Advisory Panel meeting will be held Tuesday, May 13, 2008. The Hawaii Archipelago Plan Team meeting will be held Wednesday, May 14 and Thursday, May 15, 2008. The Hawaii Archipelago Regional Ecosystem Advisory Committee meeting will be held Friday May 16, 2008. For the specific date, time, and agenda for each meeting, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: The meetings of the Hawaii Archipelago Advisory Panel and the Hawaii Archipelago Plan Team will be held at the Council office at 1164

Bishop Street, Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI 96813. The meeting of the Hawaii Archipelago Regional Ecosystem Advisory Committee will be held at the Pagoda Hotel 1525 Rycroft Street, Honolulu, HI 96814.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director; telephone: (808) 522-8220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The date, time and agenda for each meeting are as follows:

Tuesday, May 13, 2008, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Hawaii Archipelago Advisory Panel

1. Status Report on 2007 Advisory Panel Recommendations
2. Emerging Fishery Issues
3. Bottomfish Fisheries
 - a. Main Hawaiian Islands Bottomfish Management Update
 - b. Bottomfish Aquaculture
4. Pelagic Fisheries
 - a. Hana Community Fish Aggregation Device
 - b. Hawaii Longline Swordfish Management
 - c. Non-longline Pelagic Fisheries Management
5. Other Fishery-Related Issues
 - a. Barter, Trade and Subsistence Issues
 - b. Marine Recreational Information Program
 - c. Council five year research priorities
 - d. Cooperative Research
6. Upcoming Council Fisheries Management Actions
 - a. Main Hawaiian Island Bottomfish Risk Assessment
 - b. Annual Catch Limits
 - c. Community Development Program Options
7. Discussion and Action

Wednesday, May 14, 2008, 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Hawaii Archipelago Plan Team

1. Seabed Biodiversity and Ecosystem Models of the Australian Great Barrier Reef
2. Update on Main Hawaiian Islands Bottomfish Management Actions
3. Review of Draft Annual Report Modules
 - a. Bottomfish
 - b. Coral Reef Ecosystem
 - c. Crustaceans
 - d. Precious Corals
4. Discussion and Action

Thursday, May 15, 2008, 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Hawaii Archipelago Plan Team

5. Fisheries Research
 - a. Council Five Year Research Priorities

- b. Cooperative Research
- c. Archipelagic Wide Research Needs
6. Upcoming Council Fisheries Management Actions
 - MHI Bottomfish Risk Assessment
7. 2007 Magnuson-Stevens Reauthorization
 - a. Marine Recreational Information Program
 - b. Annual Catch Limits
8. Hawaii Archipelago Advisory Panel Report

9. Discussion and Action

Friday, May 16, 2008, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Hawaii Archipelago Regional Ecosystem Advisory Committee (REAC)

1. Upcoming Council Fisheries Management Actions
2. Community-based Resource Management Partnerships
 - a. Report from Federal REAC Members
 - b. Report from State REAC Members
 - c. Report from County REAC Members
3. Community Marine Management Forum
4. Discussion and Action

The order in which agenda items are addressed may change. Public comment periods will be provided throughout each agenda. The Advisory Panel, Plan Team and Regional Ecosystem Advisory Committee will meet as late as necessary to complete scheduled business.

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