

paid by industry based on the amount of oil shipped.

Administrative Record

Pursuant to the OPA NRDA regulations, the Trustees have developed an Administrative Record to support their restoration planning decisions and inform the public of the basis of their decisions. Additional information and documents, including public comments received on this Draft DARP/EA, the Final Restoration Plan, and other related restoration planning documents, will also become part of the Administrative Record, and will be submitted to a public repository upon their completion.

The documents comprising the public record (Administrative Record) can be viewed at <http://www.darrp.noaa.gov/northeast/athos/admin.html>.

Dated: December 19, 2008.

Christopher C. Cartwright,

Associate Assistant Administrator for Management and CFO/CAO, Ocean Services and Coastal Zone Management.

[FR Doc. E8-31042 Filed 1-5-09; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 3510-JE-P

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XM52

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 meetings.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene public meetings.

DATES: The meetings will be held January 26-29, 2009.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Hollywood Casino, 711 Hollywood Blvd., Bay St. Louis, MS 39520.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 North Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard Leard, Interim Executive Director, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 348-1630.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Council

Wednesday, January 28, 2009

The Council meeting will begin at 1 p.m. with a review of the agenda and minutes. From 1:15 p.m. - 5:30 p.m., the Council will receive public testimony on exempted fishing permits (EFPs), if any; the Final Aquaculture Fishery Management Plan (FMP), Final Reef Fish Amendment 29; and hold an Open Public Comment Period regarding any fishery issue of concern. People wishing to speak before the Council should complete a public comment card prior to the comment period. From 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m., the Council will review and discuss the report of the Joint Reef Fish/Mackerel/Red Drum Committee.

Thursday, January 29, 2009

From 8:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m., the Council will continue to review and discuss reports from the committee meetings as follows: Ad Hoc Allocation; Reef Fish Management; Mackerel Management; Joint Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) Selection/ Administrative Policy; Southeast Data and Review (SEDAR) Selection; Shrimp Management; Habitat Protection and Sustainable Fisheries/Ecosystem. From 4:30 p.m. - 4:45 p.m., the Council will Review/Approve the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (SAFMC) Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment. Other Business items will follow from 4:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. The Council will conclude its meeting at approximately 5:15 p.m.

Committees

Monday, January 26, 2009

8:30 a.m. - 9 a.m. - CLOSED SESSION - The SEDAR Selection Committee and Full Council will meet to select participants for the Gag and Red Grouper SEDAR Assessment Update and the Black Grouper Data Workshop.

9 a.m. - 12 p.m. - CLOSED SESSION - The Budget/Personnel and Full Council will interview and select the Executive Director.

1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. - The Ad Hoc Allocation Committee will meet to discuss the Allocation Policy and the next steps.

2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. - The Joint Reef Fish/Mackerel/Red Drum Management Committee will meet to discuss the Final Aquaculture FMP.

5:30 p.m. - 6 p.m. - The Sustainable Fisheries/Ecosystem Committee will meet to receive a status report on the Generic Annual Catch Limit/ Accountability Measures (ACL/AM) Amendment.

Tuesday, January 27, 2009

8:30 am - 12 p.m. and 1:30 p.m. - 3 p.m. - The Reef Fish Management Committee will meet to discuss the Options Paper on Amendment/Regulatory Amendment and Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) to address Longline/Turtle Interactions; Results of Referendum and Final Action on Reef Fish Amendment 29; White Paper on Pros and Cons of Red Snapper For-Hire Sector Management; and Consideration of (re)allocation Issues for those Species in Reef Fish Amendments 30A and 30B using the Allocation Policy. The committee will also receive a presentation on a device to reduce release mortality and may discuss goliath grouper activities.

3 p.m. - 4 p.m. - The Habitat Protection Committee will discuss summaries of the Habitat Protection Advisory Panel (AP) Meetings.

4 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. - The Mackerel Management Committee will meet to discuss the King Mackerel Stock Assessment as well as SSC and Mackerel AP recommendations and consider future management strategies. 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. - There will be an Informal Open Public Question and Answer Session.

Wednesday, January 28, 2009

8:30 a.m. - 9 a.m. - The Shrimp Management Committee will meet to review the results of the 2008 Cooperative Texas Closure and consider recommendations for 2009.

9 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. - The Joint SSC Selection/Administrative Policy Committee will meet to discuss the National SSC Report; Council policies in Statement of Organization Practices and Procedures (SOPPs); and consideration of disbanding the Operator Permits Committee.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agendas may come before the Council and Committees for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act), those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Actions of the Council and Committees 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 established times for addressing items on the agenda may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the timely completion of discussion

relevant to the agenda items. In order to further allow for such adjustments and completion of all items on the agenda, the meeting may be extended from, or completed prior to the date established in this notice.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Tina O'Hern at the Council (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 working days prior to the meeting.

Dated: December 31, 2008.

Tracey L. Thompson,

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

[FR Doc. E8-31438 Filed 1-5-08; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 3510-22-S

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XM49

Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council's (MAFMC) Squid, Mackerel, and Butterfish Committee will hold a public meeting regarding Amendment 11 to the Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fishery Management Plan.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 27, 2009, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Providence Airport Hotel, 1850 Post Road, Warwick, RI 02886; telephone: (401) 738-4000).

Council address: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 300 S. New Street, Room 2115, Dover, DE 19904; telephone: (302) 674-2331.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel T. Furlong, Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 300 S. New Street, Room 2115, Dover, DE 19904; telephone: (302) 674-2331, extension 19.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this meeting is to develop and finalize Amendment 11 alternatives. Amendment 11 may include alternatives concerning instituting a limited access system in

the Atlantic mackerel fishery; updating essential fish habitat (EFH) descriptions and identification; minimizing fishing gear impacts on Loligo egg EFH; limiting at-sea processing of Atlantic mackerel; and establishing Annual Catch limits (ACLs) and Accountability Measures (AMs) in the Atlantic Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fishery Management Plan.

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 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 MAFMC's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

The 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 Mid-Atlantic Council Office, (302) 674-2331 extension 18, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: December 30, 2008.

Tracey L. Thompson,

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

[FR Doc. E8-31265 Filed 1-5-09; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 3510-22-S

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XM51

Mid-Atlantic 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 Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council's (MAFMC) Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) will hold a public meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, January 22, 2009, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Courtyard Baltimore BWI Airport Hotel, 1671 West Nursery Rd., Linthicum, MD 21090; telephone: (410) 859-8855.

Council address: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 300 S. New Street, Room 2115, Dover, DE 19904; telephone: (302) 674-2331.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Daniel T. Furlong, Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 300 S. New Street, Room 2115, Dover, DE 19904; telephone: (302) 674-2331, extension 19.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this meeting is to discuss SSC organizational details for the upcoming calendar year. Topics to be discussed include a summary of the recent National SSC Workshop, SSC terms of reference/defining role of the SSC, elements to consider in SSC specification of ABC, incorporating scientific uncertainty in SSC advice, MAFMC SSC operating procedures and 2009 schedule, species/assessment assignments, election of SSC Vice-Chair, and review of MAFMC implementation of ACLs and AMs.

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 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 Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

The 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 Mid-Atlantic Council Office, (302) 674-2331 extension 18, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: December 30, 2008.

Tracey L. Thompson,

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

[FR Doc. E8-31338 Filed 1-5-09; 8:45 am]

BILLING CODE 3510-22-S

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XM53

New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and