

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA),
Commerce

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Habitat/MPA/Ecosystem Committee, in May, 2008, to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

DATES: This meeting will be held on Friday, May 16, 2008, at 9:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn, 30 Hampshire Street, Mansfield, MA 02048; telephone: (508) 339-2200; fax: (508) 339-1040.

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 Committee will review the Omnibus Habitat Amendment 2 Phase 1 Proposed Action document and the Draft Gear Effects and Habitat Vulnerability components of the Risk Assessment for Phase 2 of the Omnibus Habitat Amendment. The Committee will also generically discuss tool options for minimizing the adverse impacts of fishing on essential fish habitat. The Committee will also consider other topics at their discretion.

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 Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's 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 Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, at (978) 465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: April 28, 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

[Docket Number: 080424599-8600-01]

National Weather Service Support for Special Event

AGENCY: National Weather Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The National Weather Service (NWS) proposes to update its policy regarding NWS support for special events such as athletic competitions and festivals. These events can put large numbers of spectators and participants in harm's way if adverse weather conditions occur. This policy update is intended to clarify the role of NWS in providing products and services as well as address the role of private sector weather providers in providing complementary services.

DATES: The agency must receive comments on or before June 30, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Comments must be submitted to the following address: nwssp.comments@noaa.gov or land mail address below. The proposed policy is available electronically at <http://weather.gov/sp/specialevents.htm>. Requests for hard copies should be sent to Special Events, Room 11430, 1325 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3283.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information contact Wendy Levine, at 301-713-3380 or by e-mail at wendy.levine@noaa.gov.

Dated: April 28, 2008.

David Murray,

Director, Management and Organization Division, Office of the Chief Financial Officer, NWS.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[Docket Number 080328487-8488-01]

Revision to the Remote Community Alert Systems Program

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: NOAA publishes this notice to reopen the application solicitation period and to amend the application requirements for the Remote Community Alert Systems Program, which was announced in the **Federal Register** on February 8, 2008. The notice informs applicants that NOAA reopens the competition and establishes a new due date for applications of May 23, 2008, clarifies the submission requirements concerning an abstract page and project description, and clarifies that eligible applicants include U.S. Commonwealths and Territories. It also removes a typographical error which referenced a required "item 5" which does not exist in the text. Finally, it advises applicants that they can amend or resubmit their applications, if they so choose, by the new application deadline.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to Craig Hodan, NOAA/NWS, 1325 East-West Highway, Room 3348, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910. Phone: 301-713-9480 x 187, e-mail: craig.hodan@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NOAA publishes this notice to make changes to the Remote Community Alert Systems Program, which was announced in the **Federal Register** on February 8, 2008 (73 FR 7528). This notice reopens the application solicitation period for the Remote Community Alert System Program published in the **Federal Register** notice cited above. The new deadline for applications is 5 p.m. on May 23, 2008. Applicants who submitted proposals may amend or resubmit their applications by the newly established date. All applications received after April 11, 2008 and by the new deadline will be considered timely and will be evaluated by the program.

Also, NOAA amends the "Eligibility" paragraph to clarify that eligible applicants include those from U.S. Commonwealths and Territories. The current language reads: "Eligible applicants are States and Tribal Communities." NOAA amends this