

all affected marine mammal species or stocks.

### Small Numbers

As noted above, only small numbers of incidental take may be authorized under Sections 101(a)(5)(A) and (D) of the MMPA for specified activities other than military readiness activities. The MMPA does not define small numbers and so, in practice, where estimated numbers are available, NMFS compares the number of individuals taken to the most appropriate estimation of abundance of the relevant species or stock in our determination of whether an authorization is limited to small numbers of marine mammals. Additionally, other qualitative factors may be considered in the analysis, such as the temporal or spatial scale of the activities.

Table 6 in the *Marine Mammal Occurrence and Take Calculation and Estimation* section presents the number of animals that could be exposed to received noise levels that may result in take by Level B harassment from the Corps' planned activities. Our analysis shows that less than 9 percent of the Steller sea lion stock could be taken. Less than three percent of harbor seal and less than one percent of California sea lion are expected to be taken. Given that numbers for Steller sea lions were derived from limited observation at Bonneville Dam, it is likely that many of these takes will be repeated takes of the same animals over multiple days. As such, the take estimate serves as a good estimate of instances of take, but is likely an overestimate of individuals taken, so actual percentage of stocks taken would be even lower. We also emphasize the fact that the lower Columbia River represents a very small portion of the stock's large range, which extends from southeast Alaska to southern California. It is unlikely that one quarter of the entire stock would travel in excess of 137 miles upstream to forage at Bonneville Dam on the Columbia River.

Based on the analysis contained herein of the planned activity (including required mitigation and monitoring measures) and the anticipated take of marine mammals, NMFS finds that small numbers of marine mammals will be taken relative to the population size of the affected species or stocks.

### Unmitigable Adverse Impact Analysis and Determination

There are no relevant subsistence uses of the affected marine mammal stocks or species implicated by this action.

### National Environmental Policy Act

To comply with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA; 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*) and NOAA Administrative Order (NAO) 216-6A, NMFS must review our proposed action (*i.e.*, the issuance of an IHA) with respect to potential impacts on the human environment.

This action is consistent with categories of activities identified in Categorical Exclusion B4 (incidental harassment authorizations with no anticipated serious injury or mortality) of the Companion Manual for NOAA Administrative Order 216-6A, which do not individually or cumulatively have the potential for significant impacts on the quality of the human environment and for which we have not identified any extraordinary circumstances that would preclude this categorical exclusion. Accordingly, NMFS has determined that the issuance of the IHA qualifies to be categorically excluded from further NEPA review.

### Endangered Species Act (ESA)

No incidental take of ESA-listed species is authorized or expected to result from this activity. Therefore, NMFS has determined that formal consultation under section 7 of the ESA is not required for this action.

### Authorization

NMFS has issued an IHA to the Corps for the harassment of small numbers of marine mammals incidental to the King Marker Project on the Columbia River provided the previously mentioned mitigation, monitoring, and reporting requirements are incorporated.

Dated: September 30, 2019.

**Catherine Marzin,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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### South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings of the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council's (Council) Advisory Panels (AP) via webinar.

**SUMMARY:** The Council will hold a joint meeting of the following Advisory panels: Coral, Dolphin Wahoo, Mackerel Cobia, Shrimp, and Spiny Lobster via webinar followed by an independent meeting of the advisory panels via webinar.

**DATES:** The meetings will take place October 29, 2019, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. The established times may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the timely completion of discussion. Such adjustments may result in the meeting being extended from, or completed prior to the time established by this notice.

### ADDRESSES:

**Meeting address:** The meetings will be held via webinar. The meetings are open to the public. Registration for the webinars is required. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**Council address:** South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N. Charleston, SC 29406.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kim Iverson, Public Information Officer, SAFMC; phone: (843) 571-4366 or toll free (866) SAFMC-10; fax: (843) 769-4520; email: [kim.iverson@safmc.net](mailto:kim.iverson@safmc.net).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The advisory panels will meet jointly via webinar to receive a presentation by the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary (FKNMS) on its current Marine Zoning and Regulatory Review <https://floridakeys.noaa.gov/review/welcome.html> with a focus on possible implications to federally-managed fisheries. The AP members will have the opportunity for questions with FKNMS staff.

Following the presentation and questions, the advisory panels will meet independently via webinar to discuss the information received during the presentation and provide recommendations for Council consideration as appropriate.

The meetings are open to the public and will be available via webinar as they occur. Registration is required. Webinar registration information, a public comment form, and other meeting materials will be posted to the Council's website at: <http://safmc.net/safmc-meetings/current-advisory-panel-meetings/> as it becomes available.

### Special Accommodations

The meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (see **ADDRESSES**) 5 days prior to the meeting.

**Note:** The times and sequence specified in this agenda are subject to change.

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

**Dated:** October 3, 2019.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

*Acting Deputy 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 Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice; public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Skate Committee 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 Tuesday, October 22, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the New Bedford Harbor Hotel, 222 Union Street, New Bedford, MA 02740; phone: (508) 999-1292.

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

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Agenda

The Skate Committee will discuss Amendment 5/Limited Access to the skate fishery and review Plan Development Team (PDT) analyses to date; continued discussion on the structure of a limited access program for the skate bait and wing fisheries including draft alternatives. Other business may be discussed as necessary.

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 these meetings. 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 Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, at 978-465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date. This meeting will be recorded. Consistent with 16 U.S.C. 1852, a copy of the recording is available upon request.

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

**Dated:** October 3, 2019.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

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## CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU

### Consumer Advisory Board Meetings

**AGENCY:** Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), this notice sets forth the announcement of a public meeting of the Consumer Advisory Board (CAB or Board) of the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection (Bureau). The notice also describes the functions of the Board.

**DATES:** The meeting date is Wednesday, October 23, 2019, from approximately 12:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. eastern daylight time and Thursday, October 24, 2019, from approximately 10:00 a.m. to 3:15 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting location is the Bureau of Consumer Financial Protection, 1700 G Street NW, Washington, DC 20552.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kim George, Outreach and Engagement Associate, Advisory Board and Councils Office, External Affairs, at 202-435-7884, or email: [CFPB\\_CABandCouncilsEvents@cfpb.gov](mailto:CFPB_CABandCouncilsEvents@cfpb.gov). If you require this document in an alternative electronic format, please contact [CFPB\\_Accessibility@cfpb.gov](mailto:CFPB_Accessibility@cfpb.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### I. Background

Section 3 of the Charter of the Board states that: The purpose of the Board is outlined in section 1014(a) of the Dodd-

Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, which states that the Board shall "advise and consult with the Bureau in the exercise of its functions under the Federal consumer financial laws" and "provide information on emerging practices in the consumer financial products or services industry, including regional trends, concerns, and other relevant information."

To carry out the Board's purpose, the scope of its activities shall include providing information, analysis, and recommendations to the Bureau. The Board will generally serve as a vehicle for market intelligence and expertise for the Bureau. Its objectives will include identifying and assessing the impact on consumers of new, emerging, and changing products, practices, or services.

#### II. Agenda

The Board will discuss broad policy matters related to the Bureau's Unified Regulatory Agenda and general scope of authority.

Persons who need a reasonable accommodation to participate should contact [CFPB\\_504Request@cfpb.gov](mailto:CFPB_504Request@cfpb.gov), 202-435-9EEÖ, 1-855-233-0362, or 202-435-9742 (TTY) at least ten business days prior to the meeting or event to request assistance. The request must identify the date, time, location, and title of the meeting or event, the nature of the assistance requested, and contact information for the requester. The Bureau will strive to provide, but cannot guarantee that accommodation will be provided for late requests.

Written comments will be accepted from interested members of the public and should be sent to [CFPB\\_CABandCouncilsEvents@cfpb.gov](mailto:CFPB_CABandCouncilsEvents@cfpb.gov), a minimum of seven (7) days in advance of the meeting. The comments will be provided to the CAB members for consideration.

Individuals who wish to join the Board must RSVP via this link <https://consumer-financial-protection-bureau.forms.fm/fall-2019-advisory-committee-meetings> by noon, October 22, 2019. Members of the public must RSVP by the due date.

#### III. Availability

The Board's agenda will be made available to the public on Tuesday, October 22, 2019, via [consumerfinance.gov](https://consumerfinance.gov). Individuals should express in their RSVP if they require a paper copy of the agenda.

A recording and summary of this meeting will be available after the