

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *Tuesday, July 22, 2003 at 9 a.m.*—Scallop Oversight Committee Meeting.

Location: Crowne Plaza Hotel, 801 Greenwich Avenue, Warwick, RI 02886; telephone: (401) 732-6000.

The Scallop Committee will review written public comments on Draft Amendment 10 and develop recommendations for final alternatives. The Plan Development Team will also report on revised TAC estimates and associated trip/day-at-sea allocations under various potential preferred and non-preferred alternatives. The committee will also consider strategies in Amendment 10 for initial 2004 alternatives without area rotation and controlled area access in effect. Other alternatives and issues related to Amendment 10 and scallop management may be discussed.

Thursday, July 31, 2003 at 9 a.m.—Scallop Oversight Committee Meeting.

Location: Four Points by Sheraton Hotel, 407 Squire Road, Revere, MA 02151; telephone: (781) 284-7200.

As a follow-up to the meeting on July 22, the Scallop Committee will finalize its recommendations for the Amendment 10 proposed action. Other alternatives and issues related to Amendment 10 and scallop management may be discussed and recommendations of the Committee will be presented at the Council meeting on August 14 in Peabody, MA.

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

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 1, 2003.

Richard W. Surdi,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 060303E]

Marine Mammals; File No. 545-1488

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit amendment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Craig Matkin, North Gulf Oceanic Society, 60920 Mary Allen Avenue, Homer, AK 99603, has been issued an amendment to scientific research Permit No. 545-1488-01.

ADDRESSES: The amendment and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301)713-2289; fax (301)713-0376; and

Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668; phone (907)586-7221; fax (907)586-7249.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jill Lewandowski or Carrie Hubard, (301)713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 21, 2003, notice was published in the *Federal Register* (68 FR 2751) that an amendment of Permit No. 545-1488, issued May 7, 1999 (64 FR 24592), had been requested by the above-named organization. The requested amendment has been granted under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) and the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216).

The permit amendment adds the deployment of tags (short-term radio, satellite, acoustic recording, and underwater video tags) by close approach and biopsy sampling on the following species (except where noted in parentheses, additional annual takes beyond those already authorized under Permit No. 545-1488 include 150 photo-identification, 25 tagging and 30 biopsy sampling per species per year): killer whale (60 tagged and 64 biopsy sampled

individuals per year), gray whale, harbor porpoise, Dall's porpoise, Pacific white-sided dolphin, Baird's beaked whale, Cuvier's beaked whale and Stejneger's beaked whales. The purpose of the amendment, as noted in the application, is to examine diving behavior, feeding, and movements of whales and to obtain information on elusive and rarely studied species.

Dated: July 2, 2003.

Stephen L. Leatherly,

Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 070103C]

Marine Mammals; Photography Permit Application No. 997-1704

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

ACTION: Correction.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that this corrects the document published on June 26, 2003, announcing that Bob McLaughlin, P.O. Box 496, 339 Glenwood, Eastsound, Washington 98245, had applied in due form for a permit to take several species of non-listed marine mammals for purposes of commercial/educational photography. **DATES:** This action is effective July 9, 2003.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the offices listed in the original document published on June 26, 2003, as well as:

Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213; phone (562)980-4001; fax (562)980-4018.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Jefferies or Ruth Johnson, (301)713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The last sentence of the first paragraph under SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION in document 68 FR 38011 is revised to read as follows, "However, in the meantime, NMFS has received and is processing this request as a "pilot" application for Level B Harassment of non-listed marine mammals for photographic purposes."