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Hawaii Crustacean Fisheries; 2014 Northwestern Hawaiian Islands Lobster Harvest Guideline

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

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA),
Commerce.

ACTION: Notification of lobster harvest
guideline.

SUMMARY: NMFS establishes the annual
harvest guideline for the commercial
lobster fishery in the Northwestern
Hawaiian Islands for calendar year 2014
at zero lobsters.

DATES: January 14, 2014.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The
Northwestern Hawaiian Islands (NWHI)
commercial lobster fishery is managed
under the Fishery Ecosystem Plan for
the Hawaiian Archipelago. The
regulations at § 665.252(b) require
NMFS to publish an annual harvest

guideline for lobster Permit Area 1,
comprised of Federal waters around the
NWHI. Regulations governing the
Papahānaumokuākea Marine National
Monument in the NWHI prohibit the
unpermitted removal of monument
resources (§ 404.7), and establish a zero
annual harvest guideline for lobsters
(§ 404.10(a)). Accordingly, NMFS
establishes the harvest guideline for the
NWHI commercial lobster fishery for
calendar year 2014 at zero lobsters.
Thus, no harvest of NWHI lobster
resources is allowed.

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

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