

recommendations to the MAFMC for revisions to or adoption of this policy. The Advisory Panel and Committee will also discuss an ongoing comprehensive review of the MAFMC Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries Management (EAFM) risk assessment. The Advisory Panel and Committee will review all components of the risk assessment, including elements, definitions, indicators, and risk ranking criteria. They will then develop recommendations for MAFMC consideration for revisions to the EAFM risk assessment and potential opportunities to apply the risk assessment in the management process. A detailed agenda and background documents will be made available on the Council's website (www.mafmc.org) prior to the meeting.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aid should be directed to Shelley Spedden, (302) 526-5251, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: August 23, 2023.

Rey Israel Marquez,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648-XD273]

Endangered and Threatened Species; Take of Anadromous Fish

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

ACTION: Notice of issuance of 17 scientific research permits.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that NMFS has issued 17 scientific research permits under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) to the individuals and

organizations listed in Table 1. The research is intended to increase knowledge of species listed under the ESA and to help guide management and conservation efforts.

ADDRESSES: The permits and related documents are available for review upon written request via email to nmfs.wcr-apps@noaa.gov (please include the permit number in the subject line of the email).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Shivonne Nesbit, Portland, OR ((ph.: 541-805-5320), email: Shivonne.Nesbit@noaa.gov).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice was published in the **Federal Register** on the dates listed below that requests for permits and permit modifications had been submitted by the below-named applicants. To locate the **Federal Register** notice that announced our receipt of the applications and a complete description of the research, go to <https://www.federalregister.gov> and search on the permit number and **Federal Register** notice information provided in the table below.

TABLE 1—ISSUED PERMITS AND PERMIT MODIFICATIONS

Permit No.	RTID	Applicant	Previous Federal Register notice	Issuance date
1134-8R	0648-XC771 ...	Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission; 729 NE Oregon Street, Suite 200, Portland, OR 97232-2107 (Responsible Party: Robert Lothrop).	88 FR 10295, February 17, 2023	April 21, 2023.
15573-4R ...	0648-XC771 ...	Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District; P.O. Box 150, Willows, CA 95988 (Responsible party: Thad Bettner).	88 FR 10295, February 17, 2023	March 31, 2023.
15824-3R ...	0648-XC771 ...	County of Santa Cruz, Environmental Health Services; 701 Ocean Street, Room 312, Santa Cruz, CA 95060 (Responsible party: Sierra Ryan).	88 FR 10295, February 17, 2023	March 31, 2023.
16303-3R ...	0648-XC771 ...	USGS Western Fisheries Research Center; 6505 NE 65th Street, Seattle, WA 98115 (Responsible party: Michael Schmidt).	88 FR 10295, February 17, 2023	April 6, 2023.
21061-2R ...	0648-XC771 ...	Windward Environmental; 200 W Mercer St. Suite 401, Seattle, WA 98119 (Responsible party: Thai Do).	88 FR 10295, February 17, 2023	April 5, 2023.
22093-2R ...	0648-XC771 ...	Snoqualmie Valley Watershed Improvement District; PO Box 1148, Carnation, WA 98014 (Responsible party: Andrea Obst).	88 FR 10295, February 17, 2023	April 6, 2023.
22998-2R ...	0648-XC771 ...	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Western Washington Fish and Wildlife Conservation; 510 Desmond Dr SE 102, Lacey, WA 98503 (Responsible party: Jeffery Johnson).	88 FR 10295, February 17, 2023	April 6, 2023.
26368-2M ..	0648-XC771 ...	Idaho State University; 1856 S 3rd Ave, Pocatello, ID 83201 (Responsible party: Tyler Breech).	88 FR 10295, February 17, 2023	April 4, 2023.
26714	0648-XC771 ...	Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife; 65495 Alder Slope Rd., Enterprise, OR 97828 (Responsible party: Michael Lance).	88 FR 10295, February 17, 2023	April 4, 2023.
26766	0648-XC771 ...	Washington Department of Natural Resources, Small Forest Landowners Office; PO Box 544, Twisp, WA 98856 (Responsible party: Brent Haverkamp).	88 FR 10295, February 17, 2023	April 4, 2023.
26968	0648-XC771 ...	California Department of Fish and Wildlife, Aquatic Bioassessment Lab; 2005 Nimbus Rd, Rancho Cordova, CA 95670 (Responsible party: Alison Furler).	88 FR 10295, February 17, 2023	March 31, 2023.
27069	0648-XC771 ...	Thomas Gast & Associates Environmental Consultants; PO Box 1137, Arcata, CA 95518 (Responsible party: Thomas Gast).	88 FR 10295, February 17, 2023	June 20, 2023.
27091	0648-XC771 ...	Port of Seattle, Maritime Environment & Sustainability; PO Box 1209, Seattle, WA 98111 (Responsible party: Sloan Jon).	88 FR 10295, February 17, 2023	April 6, 2023.
27098	0648-XC771 ...	WA Department of Natural Resources, Aquatic Resources; 1111 Washington St SE, Olympia, WA 98504 (Responsible party: Ron Coleman).	88 FR 10295, February 17, 2023	April 6, 2023.
27129	0648-XC771 ...	United States Geological Survey; 10615 SE Cherry Blossom Dr., Portland, OR 97216 (Responsible party: Ian Waite).	88 FR 10295, February 17, 2023	April 7, 2023.
27162	0648-XC771 ...	Washington Department of Natural Resources, Olympic Region; 411 Tillicum Lane, Forks, WA 98331 (Responsible party: Drew Rosanbalm).	88 FR 10295, February 17, 2023	August 14, 2023.
27212	0648-XC771 ...	Oregon State University, Department of Fisheries and Wildlife; 104 Nash Hall, Corvallis, OR 97330 (Responsible party: Brian Sidlauskas).	88 FR 10295, February 17, 2023	April 4, 2023.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), a final determination has been made that the activities proposed are categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Authority

Scientific research permits are issued in accordance with section 10(a)(1)(A) of the ESA (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR 222–226). NMFS issues permits based on finding that such permits: (1) are applied for in good faith; (2) if granted and exercised, would not operate to the disadvantage of the listed species that are the subject of the permit; and, (3) are consistent with the purposes and policy of section 2 of the ESA. The authority to take listed species is subject to conditions set forth in the permits.

Dated: August 22, 2023.

Angela Somma,

Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Request for Public Comment on Draft Hydrographic Survey Specifications and Deliverables

AGENCY: Office of Coast Survey, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Request for comments.

SUMMARY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's (NOAA's) Office of Coast Survey (OCS) requests public comment from all interested parties on a draft of the newly-revised Hydrographic Survey Specifications and Deliverables document (HSSD). The HSSD has been rewritten to be more forward looking with respect to new and developing technologies, best facilitate the use of automated tools, and better integrate with the S–100 based products and the National Bathymetric Source (NBS), which is the OCS database for best-available bathymetry. Additionally, the revised HSSD will better accommodate the increasing amounts of hydrographic data obtained from external sources,

with metadata tags to denote data quality and universal data licenses to define terms of use, which will result in more streamlined, standardized workflows. Numerous subject matter experts collaborated to modernize the HSSD so that it best supports OCS as a data-driven organization.

DATES: Comments must be received via email by 5 p.m. ET on October 12, 2023.

ADDRESSES: A copy of the revised HSSD may be downloaded or viewed at: https://nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/publications/docs/standards-and-requirements/specs/HSSD_2023-2-02.pdf.

All comments must be submitted by email to hssd.staff@noaa.gov by 5 p.m. ET on October 12, 2023.

Instructions: Please include “Public Comment on Revised HSSD” in the subject line of the email message. If applicable, clearly indicate the HSSD section and page number to which submitted comments pertain. All submissions must be in English. Email attachments will be accepted in plain text, Microsoft Word, or Adobe PDF formats only. Each individual or institution is requested to submit only one comment. Please note that the U.S. Government will not pay for response preparation or the use of any information contained in the response.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information should be directed to Matt Wilson, NOAA Office of Coast Survey, at hssd.staff@noaa.gov, (757) 828–6915.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Coast and Geodetic Survey Act, 33 U.S.C. 883 *et seq.*, and the Hydrographic Services Improvement Act, 33 U.S.C. 892 *et seq.*, NOAA promulgates standards and specifications for hydrographic data in the HSSD in order to ensure safe and efficient navigation in support of our maritime economy. NOAA has revised the HSSD to better accommodate new and developing technologies and increasing amounts of externally-sourced hydrographic data submissions. The revised HSSD facilitates more streamlined workflows via critical metadata tags and universal data licenses, and is better integrated with the NBS program, for a more efficient means of product generation and public access to our national bathymetry.

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 883 *et seq.*; 33 U.S.C. 892 *et seq.*

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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 of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Monkfish Committee via webinar 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 webinar will be held on Wednesday, September 13, 2023, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

ADDRESSES:

Webinar registration URL information: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/774583284656558933>.

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 Monkfish Committee will meet to receive Advisory Panel comments on fishery performance and outlook for the remainder of fishing year 2023, as well as reviewing the outcomes and recommendations of the Monkfish Research-Set-Aside (RSA) Working Group and make recommendations to the Council on next steps with the RSA program. They will make recommendations to the Council for monkfish-related work in 2024, which could include developing regulatory changes to the RSA program.