

packages for appointments should include:

1. The name of the applicant or nominee, position they are being nominated for and a description of his/her interest in Pacific whiting; and
2. A statement of background and/or description of how the nominee is knowledgeable or experienced in the harvesting, processing, marketing, management, conservation, or research of the offshore Pacific whiting resource. Letters of support for nominees will also be considered.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 7001 *et seq.*

Dated: November 6, 2015.

Emily H. Menashes,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XE311

Gulf of Mexico 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 Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council will hold a one-day meeting of its Coastal Migratory Pelagics (CMP) Advisory Panel (AP).

DATES: The meeting will be held on Monday, November 30, 2015, from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Hilton Tampa Airport Westshore hotel, located at 2225 N. Lois Avenue, Tampa, FL 33607; telephone: (813) 877-6688.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 N. Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607; telephone: (813) 348-1630.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ryan Rindone, Fishery Biologist, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; ryan.rindone@gulfcouncil.org, telephone: (813) 348-1630.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Agenda

Monday, November 30, 2015

The Chairman will begin the meeting with introductions, adoption of the agenda, and review and approval of the CMP Advisory Panel (AP) minutes from

the March 3-4, 2015 meeting; followed by an election of a new chair and vice-chair. The Committee will then review the CMP Amendment 26 Public Hearing Draft—Gulf and Atlantic King Mackerel reallocation, stock boundary, and sale provisions; including the review of the CMP 26 Decision Document and the AP's recommendations. The AP will discuss Other Business; Modifications to Electronic Seafood Dealer Report, and additional items, if any.

Meeting Adjourns

The Agenda is subject to change, and the latest version along with other meeting materials will be posted on the Council's file server. To access the file server, go to the Council's Web site (<http://www.gulfcouncil.org>) and click on the "File Server" link at the lower left corner of the Web site. The username and password are both "gulfguest". Click on the "Library Folder", then scroll down to "Mackerel AP Meeting—November 30, 2015".

The meeting will be webcast over the internet. A link to the webcast will be available on the Council's Web site, <http://www.gulfcouncil.org>.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agenda may come before this group for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Actions of the Scientific and Statistical Committee will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under Section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take 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 Kathy Pereira at the Gulf Council Office (see **ADDRESSES**), at least 5 working days prior to the meeting.

Dated: November 9, 2015.

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

RIN 0648-XE313

New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council, NEFMC) will hold a three-day meeting to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).

DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, December 1-3, 2015, starting at 9 a.m. on December 1, and at 8:30 a.m. on both December 2-3.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn by the Bay, 88 Spring Street, Portland, ME 04101; telephone: (207) 775.2311, fax: (207) 761.8224, or online at www.innbythebay.com/.

Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950; telephone 978-465-0492.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492, ext. 113.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Agenda

Tuesday, December 1, 2015

After introductions and any announcements, the Council meeting will open with brief reports from the NEFMC Chairman and Executive Director, the NOAA Regional Administrator for the Greater Atlantic Region, Northeast Fisheries Science Center and Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council liaisons, NOAA General Counsel and Office of Law Enforcement representatives, and staff from the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, the U.S. Coast Guard, and the Northeast Regional Ocean Council. These reports will be followed by a Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC) staff overview on proposed 2016-17 spiny dogfish fishery specifications. Because it is a joint plan with the MAFMC, the NEFMC is scheduled to vote on the specifications at this meeting.

Following a lunch break, the public will have an opportunity to make brief

comments on items that are relevant to Council business but otherwise not listed on the published agenda. The Northeast Fisheries Science Center director will then provide the Council with a briefing on the Center's Strategic Plan. The Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) will present its recommendations for an overfishing limit (OFL) and an acceptable biological catch (ABC) for the following: Atlantic sea scallops for fishing years 2016–17; red hake for 2016–17; and most of the 20 groundfish stocks in the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for fishing years 2016–18. The Council also will receive the SSC's comments on NOAA's Ecosystem-based Fishery Management (EBFM) Policy. The EBFM Committee will present a progress report on the development of a pilot EBFM Plan and ask for approval of its draft comments on the agency's EBFM policy.

Wednesday, December 2, 2015

Wednesday's session will begin with a report from the Council's Skate Committee. It will recommend final action (approval) of Framework Adjustment 3 to the Northeast Skate Complex Fishery Management Plan (FMP). It will contain next year's fishery specifications, in addition to measures that address possession limits and possible modifications to the seasonal management of the skate wing fishery. This will be followed by an update on NOAA Fisheries' activities concerning a petition to list thorny skates as threatened or endangered. Next, the Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office staff will brief the Council on its Recreational Fishery Implementation Plan and solicit public comments. During the Groundfish Committee's report to follow, the Council will consider recommendations for recreational management measures for stocks of Gulf of Maine haddock and Gulf of Maine cod for fishing year 2016. They will be further considered by NOAA Fisheries and announced prior to the beginning of the upcoming fishing year. The Council also plans to approve Framework 55 to the Northeast Multispecies FMP, including specifications for its groundfish stocks for fishing years 2016–18, plus three U.S./Canada stocks for 2016 only. At-sea monitoring alternatives and other management measures are being proposed for inclusion in the framework.

Thursday, December 3, 2015

The final meeting day will begin with consideration and approval of the NEFMC's management priorities for

2016, followed by a briefing about the collection of fisheries data through the Atlantic Coastal Cooperative Statistics Program, and a report by the Council's Research Steering Committee regarding work on sea scallops and monkfish. The Scallop Committee will ask the Council to approve final action on Amendment 19 to the Sea Scallop FMP. The action is intended to expedite the implementation date of the sea scallop fishery specifications each year. Final approval is also expected on Framework Adjustment 29 to the Scallop FMP, which includes fishing year 2016 fishery specifications and default measures for fishing year 2017.

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Special Accommodations

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Dated: November 9, 2015.

Tracey L. Thompson,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a public meeting of the Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee (Committee). The Committee provides advice to the Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information and the National Telecommunications and Information

Administration (NTIA) on spectrum management policy matters.

DATES: The meeting will be held on December 2, 2015, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at Wilkinson Barker and Knauer, LLP, 1800 M Street NW., Suite 800N, Washington, DC 20036. Public comments may be mailed to Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Room 4099, Washington, DC 20230 or emailed to BWashington@ntia.doc.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Bruce M. Washington, Designated Federal Officer, at (202) 482-6415 or BWashington@ntia.doc.gov; and/or visit NTIA's Web site at <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/category/csmac>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The Committee provides advice to the Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information on needed reforms to domestic spectrum policies and management in order to: License radio frequencies in a way that maximizes their public benefits; keep wireless networks as open to innovation as possible; and make wireless services available to all Americans. See Charter at http://www.ntia.doc.gov/files/ntia/publications/csmac_2015_charter_renewal_2-26-15.pdf.

This Committee is subject to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. App. 2, and is consistent with the National Telecommunications and Information Administration Act, 47 U.S.C. 904(b). The Committee functions solely as an advisory body in compliance with the FACA. For more information about the Committee visit: <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/category/csmac>.

Matters To Be Considered: The Committee provides advice to the Assistant Secretary to assist in developing and maintaining spectrum management policies that enable the United States to maintain or strengthen its global leadership role in the introduction of communications technology and services and innovation. This helps in expanding the economy, adding jobs, and increasing international trade, while at the same time providing for the expansion of existing technologies and supporting the country's homeland security, national defense, and other critical government needs. The Committee will hear reports of the following Subcommittees:

1. Federal Access to Non-Federal Bands (Bi-directional Sharing)