

U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR parts 222–226), as applicable.

Dated: October 18, 2017.

**Julia Harrison,**

*Chief, Permits and Conservation Division,  
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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**RIN 0648–XF755**

#### Fisheries of the South Atlantic; South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council's (Council) Snapper Grouper Advisory Panel (AP) will meet to discuss proposed changes to management of the snapper grouper fishery, provide information, and receive updates. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**DATES:** The Snapper Grouper AP meeting will be held Wednesday, November 8, 2017, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. and from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Thursday, November 9, 2017.

#### ADDRESSES:

*Meeting address:* The meeting will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel; 4831 Tanger Outlet Boulevard, North Charleston, SC 29418.

*Council address:* South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N. Charleston, SC 29405.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kim Iverson, Public Information Officer, South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N. Charleston, SC 29405; 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 Snapper Grouper AP will review and provide recommendations on developing amendments to the Snapper Grouper Fishery Management Plan (recreational and commercial visioning amendments and best fishing practices and recreational reporting amendment);

provide information to develop fishery performance reports on black sea bass and vermilion snapper; and receive updates on items including stock assessments, recreational data reporting projects, a proposed moratorium on for-hire permits, and other items.

#### Special Accommodations

This meeting is accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to the SAFMC office (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 business 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.*

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**Tracey L. Thompson,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**RIN 0648–XF771**

#### Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meetings and hearing.

**SUMMARY:** The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a CNMI joint advisory group meeting consisting of the Council's CNMI Regional Ecosystem Advisory Committee (REAC), CNMI Fishery Ecosystem Plan (FEP) Advisory Panel (AP) and CNMI members of its Plan Team, Fishing Industry Advisory Committee (FIAC), Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC), and Marine Planning and Climate Change Committee (MPCCC); and a Guam joint advisory group meeting consisting of the Council's Guam REAC and Guam members of its Plan Team, FIAC, SSC, and MPCCC to discuss and make recommendations on fishery management issues in the Western Pacific Region.

**DATES:** The CNMI joint advisory group will meet on Wednesday, November 15, 2017, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. and the Guam joint advisory group will meet on Friday, November 17, 2017, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. All times listed are local island times.

For specific times and agendas, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**ADDRESSES:** The CNMI joint advisory group meeting will be held at Saipan Fiesta Resort and Spa, P.O. Box 50129, Saipan, MP 96950, telephone: (670) 234–6412. The Guam joint advisory group meeting will be held at Hilton Guam Resort and Spa, 202 Hilton Road, Tumon Bay, Guam 96913, telephone: (671) 646–1835.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director, Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: (808) 522–8220.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Public comment periods will be provided in the agenda. The order in which agenda items are addressed may change. The meetings will run as late as necessary to complete scheduled business.

#### Schedule and Agenda for the CNMI Joint Advisory Group Meeting

*Wednesday, November 15,  
9 a.m.–4 p.m.*

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Essential Fish Habitat
  - A. Update on Habitat Program
  - B. EFH Levels of Information
  - C. Review of Non-Fishing Impacts to EFH
  - D. Coordination on Non-Fishing Issues
3. Aquaculture Management
4. Public Comment
5. Other Business
6. Discussion and Recommendations
7. Training on Climate and Fisheries
  - A. Reason for Training
    - I. Annual Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation Report
    - II. Fishing community outreach
    - B. Overview of Indicators
    - C. Climate variability: Oceanic nino index, pacific decadal oscillation
      - I. Overview and questions
      - II. Small group discussions
    - III. Plenary report out and discussion
    - D. Heat: Sea Surface Temperature, Degree Heating Week
    - E. Ocean acidification: Oceanic pH
    - F. Catchability: Sea level, sea surface height, wave energy and related factors (rough seas, winds, turbidity)
    - G. Discussion on scope of climate indicators being monitored

#### Schedule and Agenda for the Guam Joint Advisory Group Meeting

*Friday, November 17, 2017,  
9 a.m.–4 p.m.*

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Essential Fish Habitat
  - A. Update on Habitat Program
  - B. EFH Levels of Information