

advocacy, or related fields. Members should have insights into barriers to entrepreneurship and business growth and ways to overcome those barriers. Relevant fields include, but are not limited to, access to traditional and alternative capital, public and private sector procurement, and global markets. Members should also have the ability to provide insight to relevant data, research, and policy alternatives. The selection process will prioritize relevant individuals who have demonstrated a strong track record of success in their respective fields.

2. Commitment to Minority Business Development: Members should have a demonstrated commitment to advancing the social and economic life of MBEs. This can be evidenced through past involvement in initiatives, projects, or policy advocacy aimed at supporting and empowering MBEs.

3. Sector Representation: Private Sector members will be selected from diverse backgrounds, including academia and think tanks, companies of varying sizes, chambers of commerce, financial entities, labor and trade associations, non-profit organizations, and stakeholders involved in MBE growth and development.

4. Geographic Representation: MBDA will consider geographic diversity in selecting members to ensure regional representation and capture expertise regarding the unique challenges and opportunities faced by MBEs in different parts of the country.

5. Collaborative and Teamwork Skills: Members should demonstrate the ability to work collaboratively in a team environment. This includes effective communication, problem-solving, and the ability to build consensus among diverse stakeholders.

6. Ability to Serve: Members must be able and willing to dedicate the necessary time and effort to fulfill their responsibilities effectively. They should have the availability to attend meetings, actively participate in Council activities, and contribute constructively to discussions and decision-making processes.

7. Independence and Impartiality: Applicants for Special Government Employee (SGE) membership positions must be impartial and independent, capable of providing objective advice and guidance must not have conflicts of interest that could compromise their ability to act in the best interest of MBEs.

Privacy Act Statement

The collection, maintenance, and disclosure of this information is governed by the Privacy Act of 1974 (5

U.S.C. 552a). The Department of Commerce is authorized to collect this information pursuant to authorities that include, but are not limited to, title V, sections 100501 through 100503 of the Minority Business Development Act of 2021, Public Law 117–58 (Nov. 15, 2021), and in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (FACA), 5 U.S.C. chapter 10. The principal purposes for which the Department will use the information is to assist in choosing private sector members of the MBEAC. Information received will be maintained in a Privacy Act system of records, COMMERCE/DEPT–11, entitled “Candidates for Membership, Members, and Former Members of Department of Commerce Advisory Committees.” A notice describing that system, including a complete set of routine disclosures, has been published both in the **Federal Register** and on the Department’s website at: <https://osec.doc.gov/opog/PrivacyAct/SORNs/dept-11.html>. Although providing this information is voluntary, an individual cannot be considered for membership without an application submission.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting; Correction

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

ACTION: Notice of a date and agenda change of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council will hold a meeting of its Hawaii Archipelago Fishery Ecosystem Plan (FEP) Advisory Panel (AP) to discuss and make recommendations on fishery management issues in the Western Pacific Region.

DATES: The meeting will be held Tuesday, August 29, 2023, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The Hawaii Archipelago Fishery Ecosystem Plan (FEP) Advisory Panel (AP) meeting will be held in a

hybrid format with in-person and remote participation (Webex) options available for the members and the public. In-person attendance for Hawaii Archipelago FEP AP members will be hosted at Council Office, 1164 Bishop St. Suite 1400, Honolulu HI 96813. Instructions for connecting to the web conference and providing oral public comments will be posted on the Council website at www.wpcouncil.org. For assistance with the web conference connection, contact the Council office at (808) 522–8220.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The original notice published in the **Federal Register** on August 11, 2023 (88 FR 54572). This notice changes the date and agenda of the Hawaii Archipelago FEP AP meeting. All other information previously published remains unchanged.

Revised Schedule and Agenda for the Hawaii Archipelago FEP AP Meeting

Tuesday, August 29, 2023, 9 a.m.–4 p.m. (HST)

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Review of the Last AP Recommendations and Meeting
3. Hawaii AP Project and Activities Update
4. Feedback from the Fleet
 - A. Second Quarter Hawaii Fishermen Observations
 - B. Hawaii AP Fisheries Issues and Priorities
5. Hawaii Fishery Issues and Activities
6. Pacific Remote Island Areas Sanctuary Designation Update
7. Hawaii Initiatives
 - A. Main Hawaiian Islands Uku Ecosystem Based Fisheries Management Project
 - B. Division of Aquatic Resource’s Rulemaking on Kona Crab
8. Lokahi Fishing App Feature for Fisher Engagement
9. Administrative Issues
 - A. National Seafood Strategy
 - B. Inflation Reduction Act Funding Discussion
10. Council Program Planning 2025–2029
11. Other Business
12. Public Comment Discussion and Recommendations

Special Accommodations

These meetings are accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to

Kitty M. Simonds, (808) 522–8220 (voice) or (808) 522–8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: August 15, 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

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Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to San Francisco Bay Area Water Emergency Transportation Authority's Ferry Terminal Refurbishment in Alameda, California

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

ACTION: Notice; issuance of an incidental harassment authorization.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the regulations implementing the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) as amended, notification is hereby given that NMFS has issued an incidental harassment authorization (IHA) to the San Francisco Bay Area Water Emergency Transportation Authority (WETA) to incidentally harass, by Level A and Level B harassment, marine mammals during construction activities associated with the refurbishment of the Alameda Main Street Ferry Terminal in Alameda, California. There are no changes from the proposed authorization to the final authorization.

DATES: This authorization is effective from August 15, 2023, through August 14, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Electronic copies of the application and supporting documents, as well as a list of the references cited in this document, may be obtained online at <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/action/incidental-take-authorization-san-francisco-bay-area-water-emergency-transportation>. In case of problems

accessing these documents, please call the contact listed below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alyssa Clevenstine, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, (301) 427–8401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The MMPA prohibits the “take” of marine mammals, with certain exceptions. Sections 101(a)(5)(A) and (D) of the MMPA (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) direct the Secretary of Commerce (as delegated to NMFS) to allow, upon request, the incidental, but not intentional, taking of small numbers of marine mammals by U.S. citizens who engage in a specified activity (other than commercial fishing) within a specified geographical region if certain findings are made and either regulations are proposed or, if the taking is limited to harassment, a notice of a proposed IHA is provided to the public for review.

Authorization for incidental takings shall be granted if NMFS finds that the taking will have a negligible impact on the species or stock(s) and will not have an unmitigable adverse impact on the availability of the species or stock(s) for taking for subsistence uses (where relevant). Further, NMFS must prescribe the permissible methods of taking and other “means of effecting the least practicable adverse impact” on the affected species or stocks and their habitat, paying particular attention to rookeries, mating grounds, and areas of similar significance, and on the availability of the species or stocks for taking for certain subsistence uses (referred to in shorthand as “mitigation”); and requirements pertaining to the mitigation, monitoring, and reporting of the takings are set forth. The definitions of all applicable MMPA statutory terms cited above are included in the relevant sections below.

Summary of Request

On February 9, 2023, NMFS received a request from WETA for an IHA to take marine mammals incidental to construction activities associated with refurbishment of the Alameda Main Street Ferry Terminal in Alameda, CA. Following NMFS' review of the application, WETA submitted revised versions on March 15, April 18, May 18, and May 24, 2023. The application was deemed adequate and complete on May

25, 2023, and the applicant submitted a minor modification on June 12, 2023.

WETA's request is for take of harbor seals (*Phoca vitulina*) and California sea lions (*Zalophus californianus*) by Level B harassment, and by Level A harassment for certain activities. Neither WETA nor NMFS expect serious injury or mortality to result from this activity and, therefore, an IHA is appropriate. This final notice also includes a description of the hydroacoustic monitoring report, which was accidentally omitted from the proposed notice (88 FR 42304, June 30, 2023). There are no changes from the proposed IHA to the final IHA.

Description of the Specified Activity

WETA plans to refurbish the Alameda Main Street Ferry Terminal in the Oakland Inner Harbor, Alameda, CA, to update and replace ageing ferry terminal components and structural support. WETA plans to use vibratory extraction to remove four existing 30 inch (in) (76.2 centimeter (cm)) steel guide piles and vibratory installation to drive nine new steel piles: two 24 in (60.9 cm) steel pipe piles with concrete cap beams on land, one 48 in (121.9 cm) steel pipe monopile in water, four 36 in (91.4 cm) steel guide piles in water, and two 36 in (91.4 cm) donut fender piles in water. A maximum of 6 consecutive days (5 days in water, 1 day on land) of piling activities will occur during the course of construction (4–6 weeks) from August through November 2023 (Table 1). WETA plans to use vibratory pile driving and, if necessary, impact pile driving to achieve required tip elevation for the nine new piles. No in-air impacts to marine mammals are anticipated from the installation of the two 24 in (60.9 cm) piles driven on land. All project activities for which take is being requested will be located in the Oakland Inner Harbor, Alameda (see Figure 2 in IHA application).

A detailed description of the planned construction project is provided in the **Federal Register** notice for the proposed IHA (88 FR 42304, June 30, 2023). Since that time, no changes have been made to the planned activities. Therefore, a detailed description is not provided here. Please refer to that **Federal Register** notice for the description of the specified activity.