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- *Via fax:* 503-230-5441. Please include the following on the cover page of the fax "ATTN: OC coho Recovery Coordinator."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rob Walton, OC coho Recovery Coordinator, (503) 231-2285

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NMFS is charged with the recovery of OC coho, a species listed under the ESA. Recovery means that listed species and their ecosystems are restored, and their future secured, so that the protections of the ESA are no longer necessary. The ESA specifies that recovery plans must include: (1) A description of management actions necessary to achieve the plan's goals for the conservation and survival of the species; (2) objective, measurable criteria which, when met, would result in the species being removed from the list; and (3) estimates of the time and costs required to achieve the plan's goal and the intermediate steps towards that goal. Section 4(f) of the ESA, as amended in 1988, requires that public notice and an opportunity for public review and comment be provided during recovery plan development. We are soliciting relevant information related to OC coho and their freshwater/marine habitats, including:

1. Criteria for removing OC coho from the list of threatened and endangered species;

2. Human activities that contribute to the ESA listing factors (section 4(a)(1)(A)-(E));

- (A) the present or threatened destruction, modification, or curtailment of its habitat or range;

- (B) overutilization for commercial, recreational, scientific, or educational purposes;

- (C) disease or predation;

- (D) the inadequacy of existing regulatory mechanisms;

- (E) other natural or manmade factors affecting its continued existence.

3. Physical, biological or chemical features of the environment that limit the recovery of OC coho;

4. Strategies and/or actions necessary to recover OC coho;

5. Estimates of time and cost to implement recovery actions;

6. Critical knowledge gaps and/or uncertainties that need to be resolved to better inform recovery efforts; and

7. Research, monitoring and evaluation needs to address knowledge gaps and uncertainties, to assess the species' status, or to evaluate progress in addressing the ESA listing factors relative to recovery goals.

Upon completion, the proposed Recovery Plan will be available for public review and comment through the publication of a **Federal Register** Notice.

Preliminary Table of Contents

We have developed a draft table of contents for the proposed Recovery Plan for OC coho which can be accessed at http://www.nwr.noaa.gov/protected_species/salmon_steelhead/recovery_planning_and_implementation/oregon_coast/oregon_coast_salmon_recovery_domain.html.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*

Dated: June 19, 2013.

Helen Golde,

Deputy Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; Southwest Fisheries Science Center; Online Webinar

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

ACTION: Notice of online webinar.

SUMMARY: The Southwest Fisheries Science Center (SWFSC) will hold an online Pre-Assessment Workshop webinar to provide an overview of the data sources, data trends and population models that will be used in the upcoming Pacific coast groundfish stock assessments for Pacific sanddab and cowcod (rockfish). The online SWFSC Pre-Assessment Workshop webinar is open to the public, although space for online access is limited to the first 20 participants.

DATES: The SWFSC Pre-Assessment Workshop webinar will commence at 1 p.m. PST, Monday, July 15, 2013, and

continue until 4 p.m. or as necessary to complete business for the day.

ADDRESSES: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific addresses and all other necessary information pertaining to the webinar.

Science Center address: Fisheries Ecology Division, Southwest Fisheries Science Center, 110 Shaffer Road, Santa Cruz, CA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. John Field, NMFS Southwest Fisheries Science Center; telephone: (831) 420-3907, email: John.Field@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: To attend the SWFSC Pre-Assessment webinar, please reserve your seat by emailing Dr. John Field (John.Field@noaa.gov). Once registered, participants will receive a confirmation email message that contains detailed information about viewing the event and joining the audio conference (toll free number). Participants can join the webinar as audio-only, but the total number of participants for both the webinar and the audio portions is limited. Participants must register at least 5 days prior to the webinar meeting.

System requirements for attending the online webinar are as follows: PC-based attendees: Windows® 2000, XP SP#, 2003 Server, Vista 32-bit/64-bit, Windows® 7 32-bit/64-bit, 2008 Server 64-bit; Intel Core2 Duo CPU 2.XX GHz or AMD processor. (2 GB of RAM recommended), JavaScript and Cookies enabled, Active X enabled and unblocked for Microsoft Internet Explorer (recommended) and Java 6.0 or above, Microsoft® Internet Explorer 6, 7 or 8 (8 is recommended), Mozilla Firefox 3.x or 4.0b, Chrome 5, 6, or 7; Mac®-based attendees: Mac OS® X 10.5 or 10.6; Other platforms supported: Linux, Solaris Solaris 10, HP-UX 11.11 and AIX 5.3; and Mobile attendees: iPhone® or iPad® (iOS 3+), Android TM (v 2.1+) and Cius devices. If you experience technical difficulties connecting to the webinar meeting, it may be helpful to try using a different browser if possible.

Public listening stations for the SWFSC Pre-Assessment Workshop webinar will also be available at the following locations:

1. Conference Room (188), Fisheries Ecology Division, Southwest Fisheries Science Center, 110 Shaffer Road, Santa Cruz, CA 95060;

2. Auditorium, National Marine Fisheries Service, Northwest Fisheries Science Center, 2725 Montlake Blvd. East, Seattle, WA 98112, telephone: (206) 860-3200;

3. Conference Room 101, National Marine Fisheries Service, Northwest

Fisheries Science Center, 2032 SE OSU Drive, Newport, OR 97365, telephone: (541) 867-0500;

4. Large Conference Room, Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220-1384, telephone: (503) 820-2280; and

5. Pacific meeting room, Southwest Fisheries Science Center, 8901 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla, CA, 92037, telephone: (858) 334-2847.

To attend the webinar at the Southwest Fisheries Science Center listening stations in La Jolla, CA, Santa Cruz, CA, Seattle, WA or Newport, OR, members of the general public who are not National Marine Fisheries Service employees need to provide photo identification. Foreign nationals, where a foreign national is an individual who is not a citizen of the United States, not a legal permanent resident (meaning not a "permanent resident alien" or "Green Card" holder), and not a "protected individual" under 8 U.S.C. 1324b(a)(3), intending to attend the webinar at any of the Southwest or Northwest Fisheries Science Centers must notify Ms. Stacey Miller, (541) 867-0562, at the Northwest Fisheries Science Center at least 2 weeks prior to the webinar.

Public comments during the webinar will be received from attendees at one of the public listening stations as well as by participants who have pre-registered and are listening from remote locations.

The specific objectives of the SWFSC Pre-Assessment Workshop webinar are to: (1) Present and describe data that may be included in the stock assessment modeling for Pacific sanddab and cowcod; (2) discuss the interpretation of data given historical and current fishing practices and changes in fishing regulations; (3) discuss approaches for improving stock assessment modeling efforts; and (4) identify data gaps and future research possibilities. No management actions will be decided in this workshop.

All visitors to the National Marine Fisheries Service science centers should bring photo identification to the meeting location. Visitors who are foreign nationals (defined as a person who is not a citizen or national of the United States) will require additional security clearance to access the NOAA facilities. Foreign national visitors should contact Ms. Stacey Miller at (541) 867-0562 at least 2 weeks prior to the meeting date to initiate the security clearance process.

Although non-emergency issues not identified in the webinar agenda may come before the webinar participants for discussion, those issues may not be the

subject of formal action during this webinar. Formal action at the workshop will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice 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 webinar participants' intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to Ms. Stacey Miller at (541) 867-0562 at least 5 days prior to the webinar date.

Dated: June 20, 2013.

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

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Endangered Species; File No. 15661

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

ACTION: Notice; receipt of application for a permit modification

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) Department of Lands and Natural Resources, PO Box 10007, Saipan, MP 96950 (Arnold Palacios, Responsible Party), has requested a modification to scientific research Permit No. 15661.

DATES: Written, telefaxed, or email comments must be received on or before July 25, 2013.

ADDRESSES: The modification request and related documents are available for review by selecting "Records Open for Public Comment" from the Features box on the Applications and Permits for Protected Species (APPS) home page, <https://apps.nmfs.noaa.gov/>, and then selecting File No. 15661 from the list of available applications. These documents are also available upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705,

Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301) 427-8401; fax (301) 713-0376; and

Pacific Islands Region, NMFS, 1601 Kapiolani Blvd., Rm 1110, Honolulu, HI 96814-4700; phone (808) 944-2200; fax (808) 973-2941.

Written comments on this application should be submitted to the Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, at the address listed above. Comments may also be submitted by facsimile to (301) 713-0376, or by email to NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov. Please include the File No. in the subject line of the email comment.

Those individuals requesting a public hearing should submit a written request to the Chief, Permits and Conservation Division at the address listed above. The request should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this application would be appropriate.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Colette Cairns or Amy Hapeman, (301) 427-8401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject modification to Permit No. 15661, issued on January 24, 2012 (77 FR 13097) is requested under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR 222-226).

Permit No. 15661 authorizes the permit holder to characterize population structure, size class composition, foraging ecology, and migration patterns for green (*Chelonia mydas*) and hawksbill (*Eretmochelys imbricata*) sea turtles in the Northern Mariana Islands (NMI). Authorized research consists of counts and hand captures of sea turtles during vessel surveys. Captured sea turtles may be measured, weighed, flipper and passive integrated transponder tagged, temporarily marked, tissue sampled, photographed and released. A subset of the turtles may be satellite tagged before release and then tracked from the vessel. Sea turtle carcasses, tissues or parts may be opportunistically salvaged each year.

The permit holder now requests authorization to collect blood and scute samples from up to 20 green and 20 hawksbill sea turtles per year, a subset of those currently authorized for capture. This sampling would allow for analysis of a broad suite of environmental pollutants that may be threatening the health of sea turtles in the NMI. All other research objectives, capture methods, take numbers, action areas, and activities would remain unchanged. The modification would be