

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this meeting is to develop management measures including quotas and trip limits to recommend to the Councils for the 2004/05 specifications setting for spiny dogfish.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified 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 MAFMC's intent to take final 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 Joanna Davis at the Mid-Atlantic Council Office (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: August 20, 2003.

Bruce C. Morehead,

Acting 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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Mid-Atlantic 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 Trawl Survey Advisory Committee, composed of representatives from the Northeast Fisheries Science Center (NEFSC), the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC), the New England Fishery Management Council (NEFMC), and several independent scientific researchers, will hold a public meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 10th, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursday, September 11th, from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m.

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be held at the Brookshire Suites at the Inner Harbor, 120 East Lombard Street,

Baltimore, MD, telephone: 410-625-1300.

Council address: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 300 S. New Street, Room 2115, Dover, DE 19904.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Daniel T. Furlong, Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; telephone: 302-674-2331, ext. 19.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this meeting is to finalize the short-term priorities and identify and develop the long-term priorities needed to provide important advice and feedback to the NEFSC on its trawl surveys.

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Bruce C. Morehead,

Acting 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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Notice of Additional Regional Fisheries Management Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: NMFS is scheduling an additional constituent session in San Francisco, CA. This is part of a series of regional constituent sessions that started in June and are running through

September to gather public input on ways to improve the effectiveness of NMFS and its management of living marine resources. The regional sessions are a collaborative effort involving all major marine fisheries interests. The primary objective is to assemble and provide a comprehensive analysis of the diverse opinions, attitudes, and perspectives of marine resource stakeholders as they relate to broad themes in fisheries management. The secondary objective is to identify performance measures.

DATES: The additional session will be held September 24, 2003 from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. at The Westin St. Francis in San Francisco, CA. To submit comments, see

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT.

ADDRESSES: The session will be held at The Westin St. Francis, 335 Powell Street, San Francisco, CA 94102-1875. Information on the meetings will be updated periodically on NMFS' web page: <http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/emeetings>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Patricia Lawson, NMFS, telephone: 301-713-2239; fax: 301-713-1940; email: patricia.lawson@noaa.gov. To submit e-Comments (see E-Comments Pilot Program).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

E-Comments Pilot Program

NMFS encourages the public to participate in submitting comments by the e-comment program. To this end, NMFS is accepting comments by submitted mail, fax, and the Internet as part of its e-Comments pilot project. The e-Comments pilot project is designed to introduce electronic commenting to its constituents. You can respond to the questions on the e-comment page through NMFS' web page <http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/emeetings>. The public is encouraged to use the new web site to compose and submit comments on the regional constituent meetings. In submitting comments, please include your name, address, and region for each comment. NMFS also invites public comments on the e-Comments program that allows you to submit your comments on line. Please submit your comments by only one means. Comments received from the public will become part of the public record and will be posted on the e-Comments web site <http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/emeetings>.

Areas NMFS is soliciting public comments on:

(1) What is the most important issue facing fisheries in your region?

(2) Who has responsibility over this issue? If unclear, or uncertain, who should be in charge?

(3) Identify and describe a possible solution or solutions that would remedy the issue?

(4) Does the solution require (a) no changes to the present administrative or statutory structure, or (b) administrative changes, and if so, what changes would you propose, or (c) statutory changes, and if so, what would they be?

(5) How could one measure whether the solution is being properly implemented and working?

(6) Briefly describe the best way to keep you informed about changes within NMFS and fisheries management.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Patricia Lawson (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) 2 weeks before each meeting.

Dated: August 21, 2003.

William T. Hogarth,

Assistant Administrator, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D 080403A]

Endangered Species; File No. 1397

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Dr. Jeanette Wyneken, Florida Atlantic University, 777 Glades Rd., Boca Raton, FL 33431, has been issued a permit to take green sea turtles (*Chelonia mydas*) for purposes of scientific research.

ADDRESSES: The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following offices:

Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301)713-2289; fax (301)713-0376;

Southeast Region, NMFS, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, FL 33702-2432; phone (727)570-5301; fax (727)570-5320.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patrick Opay, (301)713-1401 or Carrie Hubbard, (301)713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 27, 2002, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (67 FR 70934) that a request for a scientific research permit to take green sea turtles had been submitted by the above-named individual. The requested permit has been issued under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 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).

The applicant will hand capture, handle, transport, temporarily hold, measure, weigh, sonic tag, paint a number on the carapace of, flipper tag, PIT tag, tissue sample, lavage, photograph, track, recapture and remove the sonic tag from, and release up to 10 green sea turtles annually. Although not included in the original permit application, NMFS received comments during the application review which recommended that the applicant flipper tag, PIT tag, and tissue biopsy each of the turtles captured during the proposed research. Tagging will facilitate individual identification of the turtles and provide information on migratory movements in the event of recapture by other researchers or stranding in the future. A biopsy sample will allow researchers to determine the genetic identity(s) of this group of animals, a priority research goal identified by NMFS. NMFS contacted the applicant to discuss these recommendations, and the applicant agreed to conduct these additional research activities. The purpose of the research is to determine the number and distribution of green sea turtles (*Chelonia mydas*) on shallow reef habitat located in Palm Beach County, FL as well as quantify their daily movements and establish what food and other resources of importance to this species are present there. The permit duration is 2 years.

Issuance of this permit, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such permit (1) was applied for in good faith, (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which is the subject of this permit, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: August 19, 2003.

Jennifer Skidmore,

Acting Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of Import Limits for Certain Wool Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the Dominican Republic

August 20, 2003.

AGENCY: Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection adjusting limits.

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 26, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Naomi Freeman, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482-4212. For information on the quota status of these limits, refer to the Quota Status Reports posted on the bulletin boards of each Customs port, call (202) 927-5850, or refer to the Bureau of Customs and Border Protection website at <http://www.customs.gov>. For information on embargoes and quota re-openings, refer to the Office of Textiles and Apparel website at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854); Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended.

The current limits for certain categories are being adjusted for swing.

A description of the textile and apparel categories in terms of HTS numbers is available in the **CORRELATION:** Textile and Apparel Categories with the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States (see **Federal Register** notice 68 FR 1599, published on January 13, 2003). Also see 67 FR 65340, published on October 24, 2002.

James C. Leonard III

Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

August 20, 2003.

Commissioner,
Bureau of Customs and Border Protection,