

questions about the proposed amendment, and the other room for participants to provide input.

**** NOTE** a scoping meeting format change for these meetings. An informal roundtable discussion regarding the proposed amendment will be held during the first hour of the meeting, from 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. Public input will be taken beginning at 7 p.m. and will end no later than 9 p.m.

Copies of the scoping document can be obtained by calling the Council office at (813) 348-1630.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Tina O'Hern at the Council (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 working days prior to the meeting.

Dated: December 22, 2009.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XT43

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: A joint meeting of the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council's Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) and its Black Sea Bass (BSB) Monitoring Committee will be held as a public meeting via Webinar. Immediately following completion of the joint SSC / BSB Monitoring Committee meeting, the SSC will be convened separately to conduct its deliberations independent of the Monitoring Committee.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Friday, January 8, 2010, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held via Webinar. Details about online participation in the Webinar can be obtained by visiting the Council's website (www.mafmc.org). Members of the public may also access the Webinar at the Council office located at Room

2115 of the Frear Federal Building, 300 S. New Street, Dover, DE 19904.

Council address: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 300 S. New Street, Room 2115, Dover, DE 19904; telephone: (302) 674-2331.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Daniel T. Furlong, Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 300 S. New Street, Room 2115, Dover, DE 19904; telephone: (302) 674-2331, extension 19.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Topics to be discussed during the meeting include a reconsideration of the SSC's Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC) recommendation for black sea bass for the 2010 fishing year and a framework for ABC control rule specification for inclusion in the Council's Annual Catch Limit / Accountability Measures (ACL/AM) Omnibus Amendment which is currently under development.

Special Accommodations

The listening station at the Council's office is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to M. Jan Bryan at the Mid-Atlantic Council Office, (302) 674-2331 extension 18, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Council Coordination Committee Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: NMFS will host a meeting of the Council Coordination Committee (CCC), consisting of the Regional Fishery Management Council chairs, vice chairs, and executive directors in January 2010. The intent of this meeting is to discuss issues of relevance to the Councils, including FY 2010 budget allocations and budgetary planning, the Ocean Policy Task Force, Marine Spatial Planning, the draft Catch Shares Task Force Report, and implementation of the

Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act).

DATES: The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, January 13, 2010, recess at 5:30 p.m. or when business is complete; and reconvene at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 14, 2010, and adjourn by 4:30 p.m. or when business is complete.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Hotel Monaco, 700 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20004, telephone 202-628-7177, fax 202-628-7277.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Reauthorization Act (MSRA) of 2006 established the Council Coordination Committee (CCC) by amending Section 302 (16 U.S.C. 1852) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act. The committee consists of the chairs, vice chairs, and executive directors of each of the eight Regional Fishery Management Councils authorized by the Magnuson-Stevens Act or other Council members or staff. NMFS will host this meeting and provide reports to the CCC for its information and discussion. The main topics of discussion will be the FY2010 budget allocation and budgetary planning, the Ocean Policy Task Force, Marine Spatial Planning, the draft Catch Shares Task Force Report, implementation of the provisions of the MSRA, and related guidance and technical regulatory changes. All sessions are open to the public.

Proposed Agenda

January 13, 2010

- 9 a.m. Morning Session Begins.
- 9-10:15 Welcome comments and open session with Councils.
- 10:15-10:30 Break.
- 10:30-11 Open Session with Councils (Continued).
- 11-11:30 National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Update.
- 11:30-1 Lunch.
- 1 Afternoon Session Begins.
- 1-2:30 Catch Shares Task Force Report.
- 2:30-3:30 Budget issues (General update and FY 2010 allocation).
 - Council base funding.
 - Limited Access Privilege Programs funding.
 - Stipends.
- 3:30-3:45 Break.