

LOC authorizes vessel and aerial surveys using photo-identification, behavioral observations, photography, filming, and passive acoustic recordings to study bottlenose dolphins and other cetaceans, including Atlantic spotted, pantropical spotted (*Stenella attenuata*), and spinner (*Stenella longirostris*) dolphins, and pygmy sperm whales (*Kogia breviceps*) in select Mississippi and Louisiana waters. The extended LOC expires on December 1, 2024.

*File No. 22291-01.* Amended LOC issued to Barbara Brunnick, Ph.D., Palm Beach Dolphin Project, Taras Oceanographic Foundation, 5905 Stonewood Court, Jupiter, Florida 33468, on September 26, 2023. The LOC authorized vessel-based research for photo-identification, videography, and behavioral observations of bottlenose dolphins, Atlantic spotted dolphins, and ten other cetacean species in the nearshore and coastal waters of Palm Beach and Martin Counties, Florida. The amended LOC allows researchers to use unmanned aircraft systems as an additional platform to collect photographs, photogrammetry, and behavioral data. The LOC expires on June 30, 2025.

*File No. 24045:* This LOC, held by Jeremy Kiszka, Ph.D., Florida International University, 3000 NE 151st Street, Marine Science Building, Room 250D, North Miami, Florida 33181, was extended on January 30, 2024. The LOC authorizes vessel-based surveys for photo-identification, photography, videography, and behavioral observations of bottlenose and Atlantic spotted dolphins. Research may occur in Biscayne Bay and coastal waters of Broward and Miami Dade counties, Florida out to 200 m depth. The objectives of the research would not change. The extended LOC expires on February 10, 2025.

*File No. 27746:* Issued to Barbara Clark, Outer Banks Center for Dolphin Research, P.O. Box 7721, Kill Devil Hills, North Carolina 27948, on December 22, 2023. This LOC authorizes vessel surveys for close approach, photo-identification, and behavioral observations of bottlenose dolphins to monitor the presence, identity, ecology, and behavior of bottlenose dolphins within the sounds of North Carolina, including Roanoke Sound. The LOC expires on December 31, 2028.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), a final determination has been made that the activities are categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an

environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Dated: April 29, 2024.

**Julia M. Harrison,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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

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

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

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a meeting of its Citizen Science Operations Committee via webinar May 22, 2024.

**DATES:** The Citizen Science Operations Committee meeting will be held via webinar on Wednesday, May 22, 2024, from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held via webinar. The webinar is open to members of the public. Those interested in participating should contact Julia Byrd (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) to request an invitation providing webinar access information. Please request webinar invitations at least 24 hours in advance of each webinar. There will be an opportunity for public comment at the beginning of the meeting.

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

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Julia Byrd, Citizen Science Program Manager, SAFMC; phone: (843) 302-8439 or toll free: (866) SAFMC-10; fax: (843) 769-4520; email: [julia.byrd@safmc.net](mailto:julia.byrd@safmc.net).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Citizen Science Operations Committee serves as advisors to the Council's Citizen Science Program. Committee members include representatives from the Council's Citizen Science Advisory Panel Pool, NOAA Fisheries' Southeast Regional Office, NOAA Fisheries' Southeast Fisheries Science Center, and the Council's Science and Statistical Committee. Their responsibilities

include developing programmatic recommendations, reviewing policies, providing program direction/multi-partner support, identifying citizen science research needs, and providing general advice.

*Agenda items include:* Review of the Citizen Science Program's initial evaluation plan, including researchers sharing preliminary findings and committee discussion of those findings; a Citizen Science Program and Project update; the Citizen Science Program's project idea portal; and other business.

#### Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (see **ADDRESSES**) 5 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.*

Dated: April 29, 2024.

**Claudia Stephanie Womble,**

*Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648-XD916]

#### Schedule for Atlantic Highly Migratory Species Outreach Workshops; Correction

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public outreach workshops; correction.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS has rescheduled the Atlantic Highly Migratory Species (HMS) Outreach Workshop originally scheduled for May 2, 2024 in Arecibo, Puerto Rico. This workshop was announced in the **Federal Register** on April 29, 2024. NMFS has rescheduled the HMS Outreach Workshop for May 2, 2024 at a new time and location in Arecibo, Puerto Rico.

**DATES:** The date of the rescheduled workshop has not changed. The HMS Outreach Workshop in Arecibo, Puerto Rico will be held on May 2, 2024. See the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for the specific time.

**ADDRESSES:** The HMS Outreach Workshop will be held in Arecibo, Puerto Rico. See the **SUPPLEMENTARY**

**INFORMATION** section for the specific location, which has changed.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Delisse Ortiz by email at [delisse.ortiz@noaa.gov](mailto:delisse.ortiz@noaa.gov) or by phone at 301-427-8530.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Atlantic HMS fisheries are managed under the 2006 Consolidated HMS Fishery Management Plan and its amendments pursuant to the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*) and consistent with the Atlantic Tunas Convention Act (16 U.S.C. 971 *et seq.*). HMS implementing regulations are at 50 CFR part 635.

**Correction**

In the **Federal Register** of April 29, 2023 (89 FR 33333, April 29, 2024) in FR Doc. 2024-09138 on page 33334, in the first column, the location of the fourth HMS Outreach Workshop listed under the heading “*Workshop Dates, Times, and Locations*” is corrected to read as follows:

4. May 2, 2024, 6 p.m.–8 p.m. AST, Club Náutico de Arecibo (Salón Comodoro), F8G2+7X4, 6680, Cambalache, Arecibo, PR 00612.

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

Dated: April 29, 2024.

**Everett Wayne Baxter,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Availability for Public Comment on NCA6 Draft Prospectus; Call for Authors and Contributors, Technical Inputs; and Notice of Public Engagement**

**AGENCY:** Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comment on the Draft Prospectus of the Sixth National Climate Assessment, Call for Authors and Contributors, Call for Technical Inputs, and Notice of Planned Public Engagement.

**SUMMARY:** NOAA is publishing this notice on behalf of the U.S. Global Change Research Program (USGCRP), which seeks public comment on the proposed themes and framework of the Sixth National Climate Assessment (NCA6) as indicated by the Draft Prospectus presented in Part I. Based on input received from this notice,

USGCRP will develop an annotated outline, which will be released for public comment at a later date. This notice also requests nominations for volunteer contributors and submission of technical inputs (Parts II and III) and provides notice of planned public engagement events (Part IV) for NCA6.

**DATES:** Comments and nominations must be submitted to the web address specified below and received by June 7, 2024, at 11:59 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments, nominations, and technical inputs from the public will be accepted electronically via the USGCRP Public Contribution System: <https://contribute.globalchange.gov> Instructions for submitting comments are available on the website. Submitters may enter text or upload files in response to this notice.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Chris Avery, (202) 419-3474, [cavery@usgcrp.gov](mailto:cavery@usgcrp.gov), U.S. Global Change Research Program.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The following **Federal Register** Notice contains four parts:

Part I is a high-level description of the proposed themes and framework of NCA6. Comment on these themes and framework is requested from the public.

Part II is a call for volunteers to participate in NCA6 as authors and technical contributors.

Part III requests submission of relevant research for authors to review and consider in developing NCA6.

Part IV provides a notice of planned public engagement events throughout the NCA6 development cycle.

In addition to the proposed themes and framework, this **Federal Register** Notice requests public comment on ways to make the assessment information accessible and useful to multiple audiences; specific types of information or formats that would be most useful to decision-makers; how to best describe risks and impacts to inform decisions, as well as potential opportunities to reduce those risks and impacts; new topics or new approaches to topics addressed in previous assessments; overarching themes that NCA6 should consider addressing; and other relevant input.

The Global Change Research Act (GCRA) of 1990 mandates that the U.S. Global Change Research Program (USGCRP) deliver a National Climate Assessment (NCA) to Congress and the President not less frequently than every four years that “(1) integrates, evaluates, and interprets the findings of the Program; (2) analyzes the effects of global change on the natural environment, agriculture, energy

production and use, land and water resources, transportation, human health and welfare, human social systems, and biological diversity; and (3) analyzes current trends in global change, both human-induced and natural, and projects major trends for the subsequent 25 to 100 years.”

To date, five NCAs have been released. The first NCA was published in 2000, and the second was published in 2009. The third NCA was published in 2014, and the fourth was released in two volumes and completed in November 2018. The most recent, the fifth NCA, was released in November 2023, and can be found at <https://nca2023.globalchange.gov>.

NCA6 development will be transparent and inclusive, offering opportunities for diverse public participation throughout the process. The production and review processes are designed to result in a report that is authoritative, timely, relevant, and policy-neutral; valued by authors and users; accessible to the widest possible audience; and fully compliant with the GCRA.

**I. Overarching Themes for NCA6 (Draft Prospectus)**

NCA6 will encompass a number of overarching themes and perspectives that respond to needs and gaps identified by previous assessments. We seek inputs on potential overarching themes for the NCA6 report, including on the topics listed below:

Identification of advancements or improvements, relative to previous assessments, in scientific understanding of human-induced and natural processes of global change and the resulting implications for the U.S.

Characterization of current and future risks associated with global change, with quantifiable metrics such as indicators and projections where possible, and with the needs of different sub-national geographies and multiple audiences in mind.

Examining trends and developments in adaptation; adaptation options and effectiveness of adaptation efforts; approaches for monitoring adaptation progress including indicators and metrics.

Further exploration of how people understand the drivers, risks, and impacts of climate change; how changes in climate affects national security, society, and different people or groups of people living within the U.S.; and how people behave in response to climate-induced change.

Identification of populations living in the U.S. at higher risk of climate impacts, perspectives on equity and