implementing the approved measures will not become effective until the implementation of the final rule. NMFS anticipates that the final rule will be published in the near future.

In compliance with NEPA, the public is informed that the ROD for Amendment 10 is available on the NMFS website at http://www.nero.noaa.gov or may be obtained from the Regional Administrator (see ADDRESSES).

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

Dated: April 26, 2004.

Rebecca Lent,

Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 042604G]

North Pacific 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 North Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Improved Retention/Improved Utilization Subcommittee will meet in Seattle, WA.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Monday, May 17, 2004, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Tuesday, May 18, 2004, from 9 a.m. to noon.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Alaska Fisheries Science Center, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, Building 1, Human Resource Conference Room, Seattle, WA 98115.

Council address: North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 W. 4th Ave., Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501–2252.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Council staff, Jon McCracken; telephone: 907–271–2809.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee is scheduled to discuss: (1) Further refine the underutilized species threshold component in Amendment 80a (Component 10); (2) The Committee may also address any other issues that they deem necessary.

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 Council'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 Gail Bendixen at 907–271–2809 at least 7 working days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: April 26, 2004.

Bruce C. Morehead,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 04–9859 Filed 4–29–04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–22–8

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 042604F]

Pacific 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 Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) will hold a work session, which is open to the public.

DATES: The CPSMT will meet Tuesday, May 18, 2004 from 9 a.m. until business for the day is completed.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at NMFS, Southwest Region, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Conference Room 3400, Long Beach, CA 90802; telephone: (562) 980–4000.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 200, Portland, OR 97220-1384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Dan Waldeck, Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: (503) 820–2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The primary purpose of the work session is to review the current Pacific mackerel stock assessment and develop harvest guideline and seasonal structure

recommendations for the 2004-05 fishery. Planning for the CPS stock assessment review and election of CPSMT officers for 2004 will also occur. The 2004 CPS stock assessment and fishery evaluation (SAFE) document, and CPSMT considerations about the need for an amendment to the CPS fishery management plan to address management measures related to Pacific sardine allocation will also be discussed.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the CPSMT meeting agenda may come before the CPSMT for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any issues arising after publication of this document 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 CPSMT's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Ms. Carolyn Porter at (503) 820–2280 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: April 26, 2004.

Bruce C. Morehead,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 04–9860 Filed 4–29–04; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–22–8

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Atlantic Highly Migratory Species (HMS); Issues and Options Paper for Amendment 2 to the Fishery Management Plan for Atlantic Tunas, Swordfish, and Sharks (HMS FMP) and Amendment 2 to the Atlantic Billfish Fishery Management Plan (Billfish FMP)

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

ACTION: Notice of availability, notice of public scoping meetings, notice of public comment period.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces the availability of a paper describing issues and options for Amendment 2 to the