

required pursuant to U.S.C. 553 or any other law, the analytical requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) are inapplicable. Therefore, a regulatory flexibility analysis is not required and none has been prepared.

Dated: November 14, 2007.

**Mark E. Brown,**

*Chief Financial Officer, Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**RIN 0648-XD16**

#### Marine Mammals; File No. 782-1702

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

**ACTION:** Notice; issuance of permit amendment.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that NMFS National Marine Mammal Laboratory, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE, Seattle, WA 98115-0070 has been issued an amendment to scientific research Permit No. 782-1702.

**ADDRESSES:** The amendment and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

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)427-2521;

Northwest Region, NMFS, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, BIN C15700, Bldg. 1, Seattle, WA 98115-0700; phone (206)526-6150; fax (206)526-6426; and

Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213; phone (562)980-4001; fax (562)980-4018.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Tammy Adams or Kate Swails, (301)713-2289.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On October 10, 2007, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (72 FR 57524) that an amendment of Permit No. 782-1702 had been requested by the above-named organization. The requested amendment has been granted under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216).

The amended permit adds authorization to conduct additional activities on up to 20 adult harbor seals (*Phoca vitulina*) annually in Washington and Oregon. These seals, excluding pregnant or lactating females, would receive gas anesthesia following capture, have stomach temperature transmitters inserted via stomach intubation, and have an external data logger attached externally. The purpose of the additional protocols is to augment current studies on harbor seal diet and abundance. This amendment would not result in capture or disturbance of marine mammals beyond those numbers already authorized by the subject permit, which was issued on September 16, 2003 (68 FR 58663).

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 activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Dated: November 19, 2007.

**P. Michael Payne,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**RIN: 0648-XD90**

#### Caribbean Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Caribbean Fishery Management Council (Council) and its Administrative Committee will hold meetings.

**DATES:** The meetings will be held on December 11-12, 2007. The Council will convene on Tuesday, December 11, 2007, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and the Administrative Committee will meet from 5:15 p.m. to 6 p.m., on that same day. The Council will reconvene on Wednesday, December 12, 2007, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., approximately.

**ADDRESSES:** The meetings will be held at the Marriott Frenchman's Reef & Morning Star Hotel, 5 Estate Bakkerroe, St. Thomas, U.S.V.I.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Caribbean Fishery Management Council, 268 Munoz Rivera Avenue, Suite 1108, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918-1920; telephone: (787) 766-5926.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Council will hold its 126th regular public meeting to discuss the items contained in the following agenda:

**December 11, 2007 - 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.**

Call to Order  
Adoption of Agenda  
Consideration of 125th Council Meeting Verbatim Transcription  
Executive Director's Report  
Nassau Grouper Initiative  
Scoping Meetings Report - Graciela Garcia-Moliner  
Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) Report - Barbara Kojis  
MRIP - John Boreman  
USVI Marine Debris Removal Project

**December 11, 2007 - 5:15 p.m. - 6 p.m.**

Administrative Committee Meeting  
-AP/SSC/HAP Membership  
-Budget 2007  
-SOPPs Amendment  
Other Business

**December 12, 2007 - 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.**

Caribbean HMS Regulatory Planning and Issues Discussion - Russell Dunn  
Navassa Island  
Enforcement Reports  
-Puerto Rico  
-U.S. Virgin Islands  
-NOAA  
-US Coast Guard  
Administrative Committee  
Recommendations  
Meetings Attended by Council Members and Staff  
Other Business  
Next Council Meeting  
The meetings are open to the public, and will be conducted in English. Fishers and other interested persons are invited to attend and participate with oral or written statements regarding agenda issues.

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**

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities.