

Diversity of company size, sector or subsector, and location may also be considered during the review process.

Referrals from political organizations and any documents containing references to partisan political activities (including political contributions) will be removed from an applicant's submission and not considered during the selection process.

## VI. Timeframe for Recruitment and Applications

Mission recruitment will be conducted in an open and public manner, including publication in the **Federal Register**, posting on the Commerce Department trade mission calendar, and other Internet Web sites, press releases to the general and trade media, direct mail and broadcast fax, notices by industry trade associations and other multiplier groups and announcements at industry meetings, symposia, conferences, and trade shows.

Recruitment for both the virtual trade mission and the traditional trade mission will begin immediately and conclude no later than August 15, 2014. The U.S. Department of Commerce will review applications and make selection decisions on a rolling basis beginning April 2014, until the minimum of 7 and a maximum of 10 to participate are selected for the traditional trade mission and a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 5 to participate are selected for the virtual trade mission. After August 15, 2014, companies will be considered only if space and scheduling constraints permit.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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### Gulf of Mexico 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 Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will

hold meetings of the: Administrative Policy, Budget/Personnel, Sustainable Fisheries/Ecosystem, Mackerel, Reef Fish, Joint Shrimp/Artificial Reef/Habitat Protection, Shrimp, Red Drum and Data Collection Management Committees; and a meeting of the Full Council.

**DATES:** The Council meeting will be held from 8:30 a.m. on Monday, April 7 until 3:45 p.m. on Thursday, April 10, 2014.

#### ADDRESSES:

*Meeting address:* The meeting will be held at the Embassy Suites located at 4914 Constitution Avenue, Baton Rouge, LA 70808; telephone: (225) 924-6566.

*Council address:* Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 North Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Douglas Gregory, Executive Director, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 348-1630; fax: (813) 348-1711; email: [doug.gregory@gulfcouncil.org](mailto:doug.gregory@gulfcouncil.org).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The items of discussion for each individual management committee agenda are as follows:

#### Administrative Policy Committee Agenda, Monday, April 7, 2014, 8:30 a.m. Until 11 a.m.

1. Review and Approval of Regional Operating Agreement
2. Review of Draft Revised Administrative Handbook
3. Review of House Magnuson-Stevens Act Amendment

#### Budget/Personnel Committee Agenda, Monday, April 7, 2014, 11 a.m. Until 12 Noon

1. Review of CY 2014 Budget

#### Sustainable Fisheries/Ecosystem Committee Agenda, Monday April 7, 2014, 1:30 p.m. Until 2:30 p.m.

1. Discussion of Proposed SEDAR Stock Assessment Prioritization Process
2. Discussion of Framework Action—Define For-Hire Fishing in the Gulf of Mexico
3. SSC Update on ABC control rule revisions

#### Mackerel Management Committee Agenda, Monday, April 7, 2:30 p.m. Until 4:30 p.m.

1. Final Action on *Mackerel* Amendment 20B—Boundaries and Transit Provisions
2. Final Action on Framework Amendment 1 to Modify Spanish *Mackerel* ACL/ACT
3. Discussion of Cost-Benefit Analysis for CMP Amendment 24—

Reallocation of Gulf King *Mackerel* and Atlantic Spanish *Mackerel*

#### Full Council—CLOSED SESSION, Monday, April 7, 2014, 4:30 p.m. Until 5:30 p.m.

1. Discussion of Appointments to the Socioeconomic Scientific and Statistical Committee
- Recess—

#### Reef Fish Management Committee Agenda, Tuesday, April 8, 2014, 8:30 a.m. Until 5:30 p.m.

1. Discussion of *Red Snapper* IFQ Modifications (potential Amendment 36)
2. Review of Amendment 40—Sector Separation Options Paper
3. Discussion of Framework Action—Modifications to IFQ Species Quotas
4. Review of Legal and Policy Aspects of Allocation
5. Discussion of Final Draft of Amendment 28—*Red Snapper* Allocation
6. Presentation on Cooperative SEAMAP Fishery-Independent Gulf-wide Sampling Methods and Information
7. Update on Progress of Joint South Florida Management Committee
8. Discussion on Exempted Fishing Permits Related to Reef Fish

#### Shrimp Management Committee Agenda, Wednesday, April 9, 2014, 8:30 a.m. Until 10 a.m.

1. Discussion of Texas *Shrimp* Closure for 2014
2. Review of Draft Options for *Shrimp* Amendment 16—Adjustment to ACL and Accountability Measures for *Royal Red Shrimp*
3. Discussion of Kemp's Ridley Stock Assessment
4. Review of the summary of the SSC Recommendations
5. Review of the March 5, 2014, *Shrimp* AP Summary
6. Discussion of Timeline for *Shrimp* Permit Moratorium

#### Red Drum Management Committee Agenda, Wednesday, April 9, 2014, 10 a.m. Until 10:30 a.m.

1. Report of the *Red Drum* Scientific and Statistical Committee Meeting
2. Review of the SEAMAP *Red Drum* Working Group Proceedings

#### Data Collection Management Committee Agenda, Wednesday, April 9, 2014, 10:30 a.m. Until 11 a.m.

1. Update on the Commercial Logbook Pilot Project
2. Development of a For-Hire Electronic Data Reporting Program: Outline of Priorities and Principles

**Joint Shrimp/Artificial Reef/Habitat Protection Committee Agenda, Wednesday, April 9, 2014, 11 a.m. Until 11:15 a.m.**

1. Summary of the Joint *Shrimp*/Ad Hoc Artificial Substrate Advisory Panel Meeting  
—Recess—

**Council Session Agenda, Wednesday, April 9, 2014, 11:15 a.m. Until 5:15 p.m.**

11:15 a.m.—11:30 a.m.: Call to Order and Introductions, Adoption of Agenda and Approval of Minutes.

11:30 a.m.—12:15 p.m.: The Council will receive committee reports from the Budget/Personnel and Administrative Management Committees.

1:30 p.m.—4:30 p.m.: The Council will receive public testimony on Final Action—Joint *Mackerel* Amendment 20B—Boundaries and Transit Provisions, Final Action—Joint Framework Action to Increase Spanish *Mackerel* ACL, and Final Draft—Reef Fish Amendment 28—*Red Snapper* Allocation. The Council will also hold an open public comment period regarding any other fishery issues or concerns. People wishing to speak before the Council should complete a public comment card prior to the comment period.

4:30 p.m.—4:45 p.m.: The Council will review and vote on Exempted Fishing Permits (EFP), if any.

4:45 p.m.—5:15 p.m.: The Council will receive committee reports from the *Red Drum* and Joint *Shrimp*/Artificial Reef/Habitat Protection Management Committees.

**Council Session Agenda, Thursday, April 10, 2014, 8:30 a.m. Until 3:45 p.m.**

8:30 a.m.—3:15 p.m.: The Council will continue to receive committee reports from the *Reef Fish*, Data Collection, *Shrimp*, Sustainable Fisheries/Ecosystem, and *Mackerel* Management Committees.

3:15 p.m.—3:45 p.m.: The Council will review Other Business items: Discussion on the RESTORE Act.

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 these meetings. 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. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kathy Pereira at the Council Office (see **ADDRESSES**), at least 5 working 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.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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**North Pacific 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 North Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) and its advisory committees will hold public meetings, April 7–14, 2014.

**DATES:** The Council will begin its plenary session at 8 a.m. on Wednesday April 9, continuing through Monday April 14, 2014. The Scientific Statistical Committee (SSC) will begin at 8 a.m. on Monday April 7 and continue through Wednesday April 9, 2014. The Council's Advisory Panel (AP) will begin at 8 a.m. on Tuesday April 8 and continue through Friday April 11, 2014. The Ecosystem Committee will meet Tuesday April 8, at 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. All meetings are open to the public, except executive sessions.

**ADDRESSES:** The meetings will be held at the Hilton Hotel, 500 West 3rd Avenue, Anchorage, AK.

*Council address:* North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 W. 4th Avenue, Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501-2252.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** David Witherell, Council staff, telephone: (907) 271-2809.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Council Plenary Session:* The agenda for the Council's plenary session will

include the following issues. The Council may take appropriate action on any of the issues identified.

1. Executive Director's Report (including Magnuson-Stevens Act (MSA) update.  
NMFS Management Report (including Electronic Monitoring (EM) update.  
ADF&G Report.  
USCG Report.  
USFWS Report.  
Protected Species Report.
2. Steller Sea Lions.
3. Review discussion paper for the Gulf of Alaska (GOA) Trawl Bycatch; review draft Economic Data Reporting (EDR) forms.
4. Review Fishery Cooperative reports.
5. Discuss template for Bering Sea Aleutian Island (BSAI) Crab co-op reports.
6. Amendment 80 5-year review.
7. Final action on Round Island Transit.
8. Bering Sea pollock fishery Chinook salmon Incentive Program Agreement (IPA) and chum Inter-cooperative Agreements (ICA) reports; Bering Sea and GOA salmon PSC genetics update.
9. Scallop Stock Assessment Fishery (SAFE); Plan Team report and Overfishing Level (OFL)/Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC) specifications.
10. Discussion paper on Bering Sea Canyons.
11. Ecosystem Committee Report on ecosystem action planning.
12. Update on Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) 5-year review.
13. Review Programmatic Supplemental Environmental Impact Assessment (PSEIS) Supplemental Information Report (SIR).
14. Research Priorities database (SSC review).
15. Pacific cod assessment models (SSC review).
16. Staff Tasking.

The SSC agenda will include the following issues:

1. GOA Trawl Bycatch (EDR forms)
2. Amendment 80 5-year review
3. Salmon Bycatch genetics
4. Scallop SAFE
5. Bering Sea Canyons
6. EFH 5-year review
7. Pacific cod models
8. PSEIS SIR review
9. Research Priorities

In addition to providing ongoing scientific advice for fishery management decisions, the SSC functions as the Councils primary peer review panel for scientific information as described by the Magnuson-Stevens Act section 302(g)(1)(e), and the National Standard 2 guidelines (78 FR 43066, July 19,