

production in the commodities of the respective sector, drawing upon the technical competence and experience of the members. There will be six ATACs, one for each of the following sectors:

- Animals and Animal Products;
- Fruits and Vegetables;
- Grains, Feed, and Oilseeds;
- Processed Foods;
- Sweeteners and Sweetener

Products; and

- Tobacco, Cotton, Peanuts, and Planting Seeds.

Nominations and Appointment of Members

Nominations for APAC and ATAC membership are open to all individuals without regard to race, color, religion, sex, national origin, age, mental or physical handicap, marital status, or sexual orientation. To ensure that the recommendations of the committees take into account the needs of the diverse groups served by the USDA, membership shall include, to the extent practicable, individuals with demonstrated ability to represent minorities, women, and persons with disabilities.

Members must have expertise and knowledge of agricultural trade as it relates to policy and commodity specific products. No person, company, producer, farm organization, trade association, or other entity has a right to membership on a committee. In making appointments, every effort will be made to maintain balanced representation on the committees: representation from producers, farm and commodity organizations, processors, traders, and consumers. Geographical balance on each committee will also be sought.

Nominations: Nominating a person to serve on any of the committees requires submission of a current resume for the nominee and the following form:

- AD-755 (Advisory Committee Membership Background Information), available on the Internet at <http://www.fas.usda.gov/admin/ad755.pdf>.

In addition, FAS encourages the submission of the optional form AD-1086 (Applicant for Advisory Committees Supplemental Sheet), available on the Internet at <http://www.fas.usda.gov/admin/ad1086.pdf>. Forms may also be requested by sending an e-mail to LegAffairs@fas.usda.gov, or by phone at (202) 720-7645.

Foreign Firms: Persons who are employed by firms that are 50 percent plus one share foreign-owned must state the extent to which the organization or interest to be represented by the nominee is owned by non-U.S. citizens, organizations, or interests. If the nominee is to represent an entity or

corporation with 10 percent or greater non-U.S. ownership, the nominee must demonstrate at the time of nomination that this ownership interest does not constitute control and will not adversely affect his or her ability to serve as an advisor on the U.S. agriculture advisory committee for trade.

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A. Ellen Terpstra,

Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Ketchikan Resource Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Ketchikan Resource Advisory Committee will meet in Ketchikan, Alaska, April 14, 2005. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss potential projects under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000.

DATES: The meeting will be held April 14, 2005 at 6 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Southeast Alaska Discovery Center Learning Room (back entrance), 50 Main Street, Ketchikan, Alaska. Send written comments to Ketchikan Resource Advisory Committee, c/o District Ranger, USDA Forest Service, 3031 Tongass Ave., Ketchikan, AK 99901, or electronically to lkolund@fs.fed.us.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lynn Kolund, District Ranger, Ketchikan-Misty Fiords Ranger District, Tongass National Forest, (907) 228-4100.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting is open to the public. Committee discussion is limited to Forest Service staff and Committee members. However, public input opportunity will be provided and individuals will have the opportunity to address the Committee at that time.

Dated: February 22, 2005.

Olleke Rappe-Daniels,

Deputy Forest Supervisor.

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ARCHITECTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD

Notice of Meeting

AGENCY: Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (Access Board) has scheduled its committee and board meetings to take place in Washington, DC from Monday through Wednesday, March 7-9, 2005 as noted below.

DATES: The schedule of events is as follows:

Monday, March 7, 2005

11 a.m.–Noon Ad Hoc Committee on Courthouse Access
1:30–4 p.m. Committee of the Whole—Strategic Plan—Closed
4–5 Ad Hoc Committee on Board Election Process

Tuesday, March 8, 2005

1:30–5 p.m. Ad Hoc Committee on Public Rights-of-Way—Closed

Wednesday, March 9, 2005

9–10 a.m. Planning and Budget Committee
10–11 Technical Programs Committee
11–Noon Executive Committee
1:30–3 p.m. Board Meeting

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn, Franklin Square Hotel, 815 14th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20005.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information regarding this meeting, please contact Lawrence W. Roffee, Executive Director, (202) 272-0001 (voice) and (202) 272-0082 (TTY).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: At the Board meeting, the Access Board will consider the following agenda items:

(a) Approval of the January 12, 2005 draft meeting minutes;

(b) Committee reports: Ad Hoc Committee on Courthouse Access; Ad Hoc Committee on Board Election Process; Planning and Budget Committee; Technical Programs Committee; Executive Committee; Committee of the Whole (Strategic Plan);

(c) Public rights-of-way guidelines (closed); and

(d) Election of officers.

This meeting is accessible to persons with disabilities. If you plan to attend and require a sign language interpreter or similar accommodation, please make your request with the Board by March

1, 2005. Persons attending Board meetings are requested to refrain from using perfume, cologne, and other fragrances for the comfort of other participants.

Lawrence W. Roffee,
Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; General Provisions for Domestic Fisheries; Application for Exempted Fishing Permits (EFPs)

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

ACTION: Notification of a proposal for EFPs to conduct experimental fishing; request for comments.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces that the Assistant Regional Administrator for Sustainable Fisheries, Northeast Region, NMFS (Assistant Regional Administrator), has determined that an application for EFPs contains all of the required information and warrants further consideration. The Assistant Regional Administrator is considering the impacts of the activities to be authorized under the EFPs with respect to the Northeast (NE) Multispecies Fishery Management Plan (FMP). However, further review and consultation may be necessary before a final determination is made to issue EFPs. Therefore, NMFS announces that the Assistant Regional Administrator proposes to issue EFPs in response to an application submitted by the Cape Cod Commercial Hook Fisherman's

Association (CCCHFA), in collaboration with Maine Division of Marine Resources (MEDMR), and Research, Environmental and Management Support (REMSA). These EFPs would allow up to 20 commercial vessels to conduct an experimental demersal longline fishery for haddock in Georges Bank (GB) Closed Area (CA) II and portions of the Eastern U.S./ Canada Area. This fishery would take place at various times from May 2005 through February 2006. The purpose of the proposed study is to determine if hook-and-line gear could be used to target haddock with minimal bycatch of cod in order to establish potential future Special Access Programs (SAPs) in these areas as allowed under Amendment 13 to the FMP. The EFPs would also contain a provision authorizing the RA to discontinue the experimental fishery once a specified amount of cod and haddock are caught or at her discretion.

DATES: Comments on this action must be received at the appropriate address or fax number (see **ADDRESSES**) on or before March 17, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to Patricia A. Kurkul, Regional Administrator, NMFS, NE Regional Office, 1 Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930. Mark the outside of the envelope "Comments on Haddock CA II SAP EFP Proposal." Comments may also be sent via fax to (978) 281-9135, or submitted via e-mail to the following address: da735@noaa.gov. Copies of the Environmental Assessment (EA) are available from the NE Regional Office at the same address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Heather Sagar, Fishery Management Specialist, phone: 978-281-9341, fax: 978-281-9135, email: heather.sagar@noaa.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The CCCHFA, in collaboration with MEDMR and REMSA, submitted a

request on November 16, 2004, to conduct an experimental fishery for GB haddock within GB CA II and a portion of the Eastern U.S./Canada Area. The purpose of the proposed study is to determine if demersal longline gear could be used to target haddock with minimal bycatch of cod in order to establish potential future SAP. This proposal builds on an ongoing study that began on June 10, 2004, and which ended on January 31, 2005. Preliminary results from this ongoing study demonstrate the viability of utilizing demersal longline gear to reduce bycatch of cod in a portion of Cashes Ledge Closure Area, Western Gulf of Maine Closure Area, GB CA I, and Rolling Closure Area III.

The CCCHFA's most recent proposal requests authorizing a total of 160 trips by 20 commercial longline vessels to fish for and possess haddock in the Eastern U.S./Canada Area, including CA II, during the period May 1, 2005, through February 28, 2006. Similar to their initial experiment, days-at-sea (DAS) would be used. Throughout this study, CCCHFA hopes to determine the appropriate season, bait, and location for a directed haddock fishery in the above identified areas that would have minimal impact on other groundfish stocks, particularly GB cod, for the purpose of developing a SAP. Participating vessels would be prohibited from fishing in areas outside of the identified areas during an experimental fishing trip. Participating vessels would also be prohibited from fishing in the Eastern U.S./Canada Area, should it be closed due to the attainment of either the cod, yellowtail flounder, or haddock TACs. Finally, participating vessels would be prevented from fishing in CA II during peak spawning for cod and haddock, unless otherwise notified. This study would follow normal fishing practices.

PROPOSED STUDY AREAS AND SEASONS

Area	Closure Type	Duration	Location	# Vessels	# Trips
GB CA II	Year-Round	May 2005 through February 2006.	Georges Bank CA II.	10	80 (8 per month)
Eastern U.S./Canada Area	TAC Based	May 2005 through February 2006.	Eastern U.S./Canada Area.	10	80 (8 per month)

Vessels used in this study would include both GB Cod Hook Sector (Sector) and non-Sector vessels. All cod

caught by Sector vessels would count against the Sector's cod allocation. The applicant estimates that each vessel

would average 19,900 lb (9.0 mt) of haddock and less than 1 percent bycatch of GB cod per trip, for a total of