

research activity. The failure to do so shall be grounds for the denial of an application.

#### Pre-Award Notification Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements

The Department of Commerce Pre-Award Notification Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements contained in the **Federal Register** notice of December 30, 2004 (69 FR 78389), is applicable to this solicitation.

#### Reporting Requirements

Recipients will be required to submit the following financial and performance (technical) reports. These reports are to be submitted electronically unless the recipient does not have Internet access, in which case hard copy submissions will be accepted. Financial Status Reports (SF-269 and SF-272) are required to be submitted to the Grants Officer semi-annually. Performance or progress reports are required to be submitted to the NOAA Program Officer semi-annually. These reports will be due no later than 30 days following the end of each six-month period from the start date of an award. The final report is due 90 days after the award expiration.

The format of the final report may vary, but the report must contain:

1. A brief summary of the completion report (200-word or less abstract);
2. A description of the issue/problem that was addressed;
3. A detailed description of methods of data collection and analyses;
4. A discussion of results and any relevant conclusions presented in a format that is understandable to a non-technical audience. This should include benefits and/or contributions to management decision-making;
5. A list of entities, firms, or organizations that actually performed the work, and a description of how the work was accomplished;
6. A detailed final accounting of all the fish landed, sold, and the disbursement of program income to include a detailed accounting of all funds used to conduct fish research, including those provided through the research set-aside; and
7. Data from research projects must be submitted in electronic format with appropriate documentation to NMFS, as requested. All raw data collected under grants issued as a result of this solicitation belongs to, and shall remain the property of the Federal government. Grantees will be required to collect, assimilate, maintain and transmit any and all raw data in a format and time frame that may be specified by NMFS.

#### Universal Identifier

Applicants should be aware that they are required to provide a Dun and Bradstreet Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number during the application process. See the October 30, 2002 (67 FR 66177) **Federal Register** for additional information. Organizations can receive a DUNS number at no cost by calling the dedicated toll-free DUNS Number request line at 1-866-705-5711 or via the internet <http://www.dunandbradstreet.com>.

#### Executive Order 12372

Applications under this program are subject to Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."

#### Limitation of Liability

Funding for programs listed in this notice is contingent upon the availability of fishing year 2006 scallop TAC and/or DAS. In no event will NOAA or DOC be responsible for application preparation costs if these programs fail to receive a TAC or DAS award, or are cancelled because of other agency priorities. Publication of this announcement does not oblige NOAA to award any specific project or to obligate any available funds.

#### Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA)

This document contains collection-of-information requirements subject to the PRA. The use of Standard Forms 424, 424A, 424B, SF-LLL, CD-346, SF269 and SF272 has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the respective OMB control numbers 0348-0043, 0348-0044, 0348-0040, 0348-0046, 0605-0001, 0348-0039 and 0348-0003. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the requirements of the PRA unless that collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number.

#### Executive Order 12866

This notice has been determined to be not significant for purposes of Executive Order 12866.

#### Executive Order 13132 (Federalism)

It has been determined that this notice does not contain policies with Federalism implications as that term is defined in Executive Order 13132.

#### Administrative Procedure Act (APA)/Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA)

Prior notice and an opportunity for public comment are not required by the

APA or any other law for rules concerning public property, loans, grants, benefits, and contracts (5 U.S.C. 553(a)(2)). Because notice and opportunity for comment are not required pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553 or any other law, the analytical requirements of the RFA (5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*) do not apply. Therefore, a regulatory flexibility analysis has not been prepared.

Dated: October 13, 2005.

**James W. Balsiger,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 101305B]

#### New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice; committee meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The New England Fishery Management Council's (Council) Herring Oversight Committee along with the Atlantic States Marine Fishery Council (ASMFC) Herring Section will meet to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Thursday, November 10, 2005, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Colonial, One Audubon Road, Wakefield, MA 01880; telephone: (781)245-9300.

*Council address:* New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978)465-0492.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The items of discussion in the committee's agenda are as follows:

1. Review the specifics of a proposed no-cost contract module(s) which would establish a contractual relationship between NMFS and observer contractors for some portion of observer placements.
2. Review of overall program goals and objectives.

3. Discussion of potential long-term funding models for the observer program.

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 Paul J. Howard (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: October 14, 2005.

**Emily Menashes,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 101305C]

#### New England 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 New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Social Sciences Advisory Committee in November, 2005 to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Monday, November 7, 2005, at 10 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn, One Newbury Street, Peabody, MA 01960; telephone: (978) 535-4600; fax: (978) 535-8248.

*Council address:* New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Committee will meet to review and discuss social and economic information and analysis provided in Draft Amendment 1 to the Atlantic Herring Fishery Management Plan (FMP) and its Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS). The Committee will also develop recommendations regarding the social and economic analyses in Amendment 1 to the Herring FMP for Council consideration when selecting final management measures and developing the Final EIS for Amendment 1.

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 listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens 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 Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, at 978-465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: October 14, 2005.

**Emily Menashes,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 101305D]

#### New England 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 New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is

scheduling a public meeting of its Magnuson-Stevens Committee in November, 2005 to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 9, 2005, at 10 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the New England Fishery Management Council Office, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950; telephone: (978) 465-0492; fax: (978) 465-3116.

*Council address:* New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Committee will meet to review and Council positions on issues related to Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation Management Act reauthorization and, if available, a new Senate staff draft of the Act. Any committee recommendations will be forwarded for approval at the Council's November 15-17, 2005 meeting scheduled in Hyannis, MA.

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 listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens 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 Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, at 978-465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: October 14, 2005.

**Emily Menashes,**

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