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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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National Artificial Reef Plan (as Amended): Guidelines for Siting, Construction, Development, and Assessment of Artificial Reefs

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

ACTION: Notice of agency decision.

SUMMARY: The National Artificial Reef Plan (NOAA Technical Memorandum, NMFS OF-6) was originally published in November 1985, in fulfillment of a requirement under the National Fishing Enhancement Act of 1984. NMFS worked in partnership with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission and the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission to update and revise this plan. A revised version has been completed, entitled the "National Artificial Reef Plan (as Amended): Guidelines for siting, construction, development, and assessment of artificial reefs." This action is intended to promote the goals and objectives outlined in the National Fishing Enhancement Act.

DATES: The revised National Artificial Reef Plan (National Plan) was approved on March 7, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the "National Artificial Reef Plan (as Amended): Guidelines for siting, construction, development, and assessment of artificial reefs" are available from Christopher M. Moore, Director of the Partnerships and Communications Division, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christopher M. Moore, (301) 713-2379 ext. 165; fax (301) 713-0596.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Artificial Reef Plan of 1985 was developed by the Secretary of Commerce under direction of the National Fishing Enhancement Act of 1984. This Act directed the Secretary of Commerce to develop and publish a

long-term National Artificial Reef Plan to promote and facilitate responsible and effective artificial reef use based on the best scientific information available.

The National Plan provided guidance on various aspects of artificial reef use, including types of construction materials, planning, siting, design, and management of artificial reefs. This document was general in its scope and provided a framework for regional, state, and local planners to develop more detailed, site-specific artificial reef plans to meet local needs and conditions. The National Plan was designed to be a dynamic working document that would be updated as new information became available.

Since 1985, new information and research on artificial reefs have become available. Accordingly, NMFS has updated and revised the National Plan, in cooperation with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission and the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission. The National Plan was initially revised with input from state artificial reef programs and staff from the interstate marine fisheries commissions, the Minerals Management Service, and the National Marine Fisheries Service. The draft revision to the 1985 National Artificial Reef Plan was revised in response to comments that were provided through internal NOAA review and external review by the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission and the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission.

The interstate marine fisheries commissions have been involved in the development and review of this document due to their extensive involvement and experience with state artificial reef management programs. Most coastal states have coordinated their artificial reef activities through the respective interstate marine fisheries commissions, and most interstate commissions have established technical advisory committees for marine artificial reef development. These committees are composed of the coordinators of the state marine artificial reef programs within the respective state agencies responsible for marine and coastal resources management. Committee membership also includes representatives from the National Marine Fisheries Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Minerals Management Service, Environmental Protection Agency, and Regional Fishery Management Councils.

The revised National Plan provides information on the roles of federal, state, and local governments; interstate marine fisheries commissions; Regional Fishery Management Councils; and

private citizens in artificial reef development. The document also provides guidelines for siting, materials, design, construction, and management of artificial reefs; and information on regulatory and permitting requirements, liability issues, and research needs. The revised National Plan also includes updated information on artificial reef activities and programs, and it references other useful sources of information for artificial reef development. The most significant changes occur in the section of the plan dealing with materials for artificial reef development. New language in the revised National Plan is consistent with the guidelines and recommendations of the interstate marine fisheries commissions and representatives of state artificial reef programs relative to artificial reef development.

Authority: 33 U.S.C. 2101 *et seq.*

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James P. Burgess,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Endangered and Threatened Species; Take of Anadromous Fish

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

ACTION: Receipt of applications for scientific research/enhancement permit; request for comment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that NMFS has received an application for a permit from Zachary Larson, Crescent City, CA (Permit 1606). This permit would affect Southern Oregon/Northern California Coast (SONCC) coho salmon (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*). This document serves to notify the public of the availability of the permit application for review and comment before a final approval or disapproval is made by NMFS.

DATES: Written comments on the permit application must be received at the appropriate address or fax number (see **ADDRESSES**) no later than 5 p.m. Daylight Savings Time on April 27, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on this renewal and modification request

should be sent to the appropriate office as indicated below. Comments may also be sent via fax to the number indicated for the request. Comments will not be accepted if submitted via e-mail or the internet. The applications and related documents are available for review in the indicated office, by appointment: John Clancy, Protected Species Division, NOAA Fisheries, 1655 Heindon Road, Arcata, CA 95521 (ph: 707-825-5175, fax: 707-825-4840).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Clancy at phone number (707-825-5175), or e-mail: john.clancy@noaa.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority

Issuance of permits and permit modifications, as required by the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543) (ESA), is based on a finding that such permits/modifications: (1) Are applied for in good faith; (2) would not operate to the disadvantage of the listed species which are the subject of the permits; and (3) are consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA. Authority to take listed species is subject to conditions set forth in the permits. Permits and modifications are issued in accordance with and are subject to the ESA and NOAA Fisheries regulations governing listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 222-226).

Those individuals requesting a hearing on an application listed in this notice should set out the specific reasons why a hearing on that application would be appropriate (see **ADDRESSES**). The holding of such a hearing is at the discretion of the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA. All statements and opinions contained in the permit action summaries are those of the applicant and do not necessarily reflect the views of NMFS.

Species Covered in This Notice

This notice is relevant to the following threatened salmonid ESUs: Southern Oregon/Northern California Coast (SONCC) coho salmon (*Oncorhynchus kisutch*).

Permit Requests Received

Permit 1606

Zachary Larson has requested a Permit (#1606) for take of SONCC coho salmon associated with two studies. Study 1 would investigate juvenile salmonid presence, habitat use and timing in Smith River estuary throughout the year. Proposed capture methods are by beach seining, electrofishing (infrequent), snorkeling,

baited minnow traps, and fence traps with provision for upstream-downstream movements. Study 2 would install a downstream migrant trap to be fished 4 days per week to document anadromous fish species use and abundance in Cedar Creek (tributary to the Smith River) before and after a barrier culvert is removed. Permit 1606 will expire August, 2011.

Dated: March 22, 2007.

Angela Somma,

Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces Code Committee Meeting

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces the forthcoming public meeting of the Code Committee established by Article 146(a), Uniform Code of Military Justice, 10 U.S.C. 946(a), to be held at the Courthouse of the United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, 450 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20442-0001, at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, May 15, 2007. The agenda for this meeting will include consideration of proposed changes to the Uniform Code of Military Justice and the Manual for Courts-Martial, United States, and other matters relating to the operation of the Uniform Code of Military Justice throughout the Armed Forces.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

William A. DeCicco, Clerk of Court, United States Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces, 450 E Street, NW., Washington, DC 20442-0001, telephone (202) 761-1448.

Dated: March 20, 2007.

L.M. Bynum,

OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, DOD.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Meeting of the Advisory Council on Dependents' Education

AGENCY: Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA).

ACTION: Open Meeting Notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Appendix 2 of title 5, United States Code, Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Advisory Council on Dependents' Education (ACDE) is scheduled to be held on May 4, 2007, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The meeting will be held at the InterContinental Hotel Frankfurt, Wilhelm-Leuschner Strasse 43, Frankfurt, Germany 60329. The purpose of the ACDE is to recommend to the Director, DoDEA, general policies for the operation of the Department of Defense Dependents Schools (DoDDS); to provide the Director with information about effective educational programs and practices that should be considered by DoDDS; and to perform other tasks as may be required by the Secretary of Defense. The meeting emphases will be the current operational qualities of schools and the institutionalized school improvement processes, as well as other educational matters. For further information contact Mr. Jim Jarrard at 703-588-3121, or at James.Jarrard@hq.dodea.edu.

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L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, DoD.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary of Defense

Meeting of the DOD Advisory Group on Electron Devices

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Advisory Group on Electron Devices.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The DoD Advisory Group on Electron Devices (AGED) announces a closed session meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held at 0900, Monday, April 16, 2007.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at ITS Noesis Business Unit, 4100 N. Fairfax Drive, Suite 800, Arlington, VA 22203.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Vicki Schneider, ITS Noesis Business Unit, 4100 N. Fairfax Drive, Suite 800, Arlington, VA 22203, 703-741-0300.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The mission of the Advisory Group is to provide advice to the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology and Logistics, to the Director of Defense Research and Engineering (DDR&E), and through the DDR&E to the Director, Defense Advanced Research Projects