

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene a public meeting of the Ad Hoc Grouper Individual Fishing Quota (IFQ) Advisory Panel (AHGIFQAP).

DATES: The AHGIFQAP meeting will convene at 1 p.m. on Monday, October 1, 2007 and conclude no later than 3 p.m. on Tuesday, October 2, 2007.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Hilton St. Petersburg, 333 First Street South, St. Petersburg, FL 33701; telephone 727-894-5000.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Stu Kennedy, Fishery Biologist, telephone: (813) 348-1630.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council has scheduled a meeting of the Ad Hoc Grouper IFQ Advisory Panel to discuss the scoping document for Amendment 29 to the Reef Fish Fishery Management Plan. Amendment 29 has alternatives for rationalizing effort and reducing overcapacity in the commercial Gulf of Mexico grouper fishery, including elimination of latent permits, a buyout or buyback program, permit endorsements, and Individual fishing quotas, and Individual transferable effort quotas.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agenda may come before the AHGIFQAP for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act), those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Actions of the AHGIFQAP will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda 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 action to address the emergency.

Copies of the agenda can be obtained by calling (813) 348-1630.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Tina Trezza at the Council (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 working days prior to the meeting.

Dated: September 7, 2007.

Tracey L. Thompson,

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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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's (Council) VMS (Vessel Monitoring System)/Enforcement Committee will meet to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).

DATES: The meeting will be held on Monday, October 1, 2007, at 9 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) 495-0492.

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. The VMS/Enforcement Committee will review a Question and Answer document to be developed by the Northeast Regional Office highlighting the most asked questions about VMS. They will examine the requirements to only change fishing code from inside the demarcation line to the following VMS fisheries: herring, scallops and northeast multispecies. They will also examine inconsistent and duplicate regulations with respect to utilizing VMS as a vehicle to change or remove them.

2. The committee will approve/endorse the Law Enforcement Precepts from the Office of Law Enforcement.

3. They will receive a written report from NMFS on the network outages by vendor and vessel missing position reports by vendor.

4. Also on the agenda will be the review of an emergency contact list and discussion regarding distribution.

5. Other business.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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New England Fishery Management Council; Public Informational Meeting.

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

ACTION: Notice of a public informational meeting.

SUMMARY: Trans-Boundary Resource Assessment Committee (TRAC) Industry/Science Data Exchange Meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, June 7, 2007, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the New Bedford Free Public Library, 613 Pleasant Street, New Bedford, MA 02740; telephone: (508) 991-6279.

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: Amendment 13 to the Northeast