

measures for the 19 stocks in the Northeast Multispecies complex and possibly discuss proposed rebuilding strategies for overfished groundfish stocks.

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.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Pacific 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 Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Groundfish Allocation Committee (GAC) will hold a working meeting, which is open to the public.

DATES: The GAC meeting will be held Tuesday, May 5, 2009, from 8:30 a.m. until business for the day is completed. The GAC will reconvene on Wednesday, May 6 and Thursday, May 7, 2009, at 8:30 a.m. each day until their business is completed.

ADDRESSES: The GAC meeting will be held at the Shilo Inn Portland Airport, Willamette I and II Room, 11707 NE Airport Way, Portland, OR 97220; telephone: (503) 252-5800.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220-1384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Merrick Burden, Groundfish Staff Officer; telephone: (503) 820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the GAC meeting is to consider options for an adaptive management program within a rationalized non-whiting limited entry trawl sector; vessel and control limits for groundfish and Pacific halibut individual fishing quotas in a rationalized shoreside trawl sector; options for Community Fishing Associations within a rationalized shoreside trawl sector; Fishery Management Plan amendment language to implement the provisions of a west coast groundfish trawl rationalization program; and other miscellaneous items of clarification regarding the implementation of a west coast groundfish trawl rationalization program. No management actions will be decided by the GAC. The GAC's role will be development of recommendations for these five initiatives. The GAC recommendations will be provided for consideration by the Council at its June 2009 meeting in Spokane, WA.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may come before the GAC for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal GAC action during this meeting. GAC 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 Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the GAC'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 Ms. Carolyn Porter at (503) 820-2280 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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National Marine Fisheries Service, Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) and NMFS will hold a Coastal Pelagic Species (CPS) Stock Assessment Review (STAR) Panel meeting to review draft stock assessment documents for Pacific mackerel and survey methods for Pacific sardine.

DATES: The meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 4, 2009 through Friday May 8, 2009. Monday through Thursday sessions are scheduled from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday's session is scheduled from 8 a.m. until business for the day is completed.

ADDRESSES: The STAR Panel will be held at the National Marine Fisheries Service, Southwest Fisheries Science Center (SWFSC), Large Conference Room, 8604 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla, CA 92037; telephone: (858) 546-1914.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Mike Burner, Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: (503) 820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the CPS STAR Panel meeting is to review draft stock assessment documents and any other pertinent information for Pacific mackerel, review draft survey documents and any other pertinent information for Pacific sardine, work with the Pacific mackerel Stock Assessment Team and the Pacific sardine Survey Design Teams to make necessary revisions, and produce STAR Panel reports. The STAR Panel reports will be for use by the Council family and other interested persons for developing management recommendations for the 2009-10 Pacific mackerel fishery, making recommendations on Pacific sardine survey methodology, and in consideration of exempted fishing permits.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this notice may arise