

a baseline environmental assessment of the proposed site prior to permit review by NMFS. If a permit is authorized, permittees would have to conduct routine monitoring of a site based on NMFS protocols and procedures developed in coordination with other federal agencies. Aquaculture operations would also be required to report to NMFS within 24 hours of the discovery of: major escapement; entanglements or interactions with marine mammals, endangered species and migratory birds; and findings or suspected findings of pathogens.

Comment 8: Has NMFS considered harmful algal blooms (HABs) in the non-fishing impacts section?

Response: While HABs are a concern for a number of species, in general they are less likely to affect habitat for HMS because HABs tend to occur closer to shore in areas where HMS are less likely to occur. In addition, given their highly mobile nature, HMS are more likely to avoid prolonged contact with HABs in affected areas. However, NMFS considers this an important issue and has included additional information on HABs in the non-fishing impact section of the FEIS.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN: 0648-XP78

Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting/Workshop

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

ACTION: Notice of three public meetings.

SUMMARY: Three Groundfish Stock Assessment Review (STAR) Panel meetings will be held to review new assessments for groundfish species. The first STAR Panel meeting will review new assessments for bocaccio and widow rockfish. The second STAR Panel meeting will review new assessments for lingcod and cabezon. The third STAR Panel meeting will review new assessments for yelloweye and greenstriped rockfish. All three

STAR Panel meetings are work sessions which are open to the public.

DATES: The bocaccio and widow rockfish STAR Panel meeting will be held beginning at 8:30 a.m., Monday, July 13, 2009. The meeting will continue on Tuesday, July 14, 2009 beginning at 8:30 a.m. through Friday, July 17, 2009. The meeting will end at 5:30 p.m. each day, or as necessary to complete business.

The lingcod and cabezon STAR Panel meeting will be held beginning at 8:30 a.m., Monday, July 27, 2009. The meeting will continue on Tuesday, July 28, 2009 beginning at 8:30 a.m. through Friday, July 31, 2009. The meeting will end at 5:30 p.m. each day, or as necessary to complete business.

The yelloweye and greenstriped rockfish STAR Panel meeting will be held beginning at 8:30 a.m., Monday, August 3, 2009. The meeting will continue on Tuesday, August 4, 2009 beginning at 8:30 a.m. through Friday, August 7, 2009. The meeting will end at 5:30 p.m. each day, or as necessary to complete business.

ADDRESSES: The bocaccio and widow rockfish STAR Panel meeting will be held at the NMFS Southwest Fisheries Science Center, Meeting Room 188, 110 Shaffer Road, Santa Cruz, CA 95060; telephone: (831) 420-3900.

The lingcod and cabezon STAR Panel meeting, as well as the yelloweye and greenstriped rockfish STAR Panel meeting, will be held at the Hotel Deca, 4507 Brooklyn Avenue N.E., Seattle WA 98105; telephone: 1-800-899-0251.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Stacey Miller, Northwest Fisheries Science Center (NWFSC); telephone: (206) 437-5670; or Mr. John DeVore, Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: (503) 820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the three STAR Panel meetings is to review draft stock assessment documents for these species and any other pertinent information, work with the Stock Assessment Teams to make necessary revisions, and produce STAR Panel reports for use by the Council family and other interested persons. No management actions will be decided by these STAR Panels. The STAR Panels' role will be development of recommendations and reports for consideration by the Council at its September meeting in Foster City, CA.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agendas may come before the STAR Panel

participants for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal STAR Panel action during these meetings. STAR Panel 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 STAR Panel participants' intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are 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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Tracey L. Thompson,

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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 public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Salmon Technical Team (STT) will hold a meeting to initiate planning and make assignments for developing an overfishing review for Queets River and Strait of Juan de Fuca natural coho. STT meeting to be held June 30, 2009 to plan development of an assessment of the causes and implications of Queets River and Strait of Juan de Fuca natural coho stocks failing to meet their conservation objective for three consecutive years. This meeting of the STT is open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held Tuesday, June 30, 2009, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife office, located in the Natural Resources Building at 1111 Washington

St. S.E., Room 682, Olympia, WA
98501-1091.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Chuck Tracy, Salmon Management Staff Officer, Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: (503) 820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the meeting is to develop a set of topics and assignments to assess the spawning escapement shortfalls for natural coho stocks from the Queets River in 2006-08, and from the Strait of Juan de Fuca in 2005-08. The assessment will focus on the role of fishing on the spawning escapement shortfall and on the implication to long-term productivity of the stocks of not meeting their conservation objectives.

When a salmon stock managed by the Council fails to meet its conservation objective for three consecutive years, an overfishing concern is triggered according to the terms of the Pacific Coast Salmon Plan (Salmon Plan). The Salmon Plan requires the Council to direct its STT to undertake a review of the status of the stock in question and determine if excessive harvest was responsible for the shortfall, if other factors were involved, and the significance of the stock depression with regard to achieving maximum sustainable yield.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may come before the STT for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. 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 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 Institute of Standards and Technology

National Conference on Weights and Measures 94th Annual Meeting

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

ACTION: Meeting notice.

SUMMARY: The Annual Meeting of the 94th National Conference on Weights and Measures, Incorporated (NCWM) will be held July 12 to 16, 2009, in San Antonio, Texas. Publication of this notice on the NCWM's behalf is undertaken as a public service; NIST does not endorse, approve, or recommend any of the proposals contained in this notice or in the publications of the NCWM mentioned below. The meetings are open to the public but registration is required. Registration information is stated in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section below.

DATES: The meeting will be held on July 12-16, 2009.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Marriott Plaza, 555 S. Alamo Street, San Antonio, Texas.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Carol Hockert, Chief, NIST, Weights and Measures Division, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 2600, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-2600 or by telephone (301) 975-5507 or at Carol.Hockert@nist.gov. Please see the NCWM Publication 16, which contains detailed meeting agendas and registration information at <http://www.ncwm.net> on the Internet.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NCWM is an organization of weights and measures officials of the States, counties, and cities of the United States, Federal agencies, and private sector representatives. These meetings bring together government officials and representatives of business, industry, trade associations, and consumer organizations on subjects related to the field of weights and measures technology, administration, and enforcement. NIST participates to promote uniformity among the States in laws, regulations, methods, and testing equipment that comprise the regulatory control of commercial weighing and measuring devices and other practices used in trade and commerce.

The following are brief descriptions of some of the agenda items that will be considered along with other issues at the meeting. Comments will be taken on these and other issues during public comment sessions and many items will be considered for NCWM adoption. At

this stage, the items are proposals. The Committees may also accept comments and where they will finalize recommendations for NCWM consideration and possible adoption during its voting sessions on July 15 or 16, 2009. The Committees may withdraw or carry over items that need additional development.

The Specifications and Tolerances Committee (S&T Committee) will consider proposed amendments to NIST Handbook 44, "Specifications, Tolerances, and other Technical Requirements for Weighing and Measuring Devices (NIST Handbook 44)." Those items address weighing and measuring devices used in commercial applications, that is, devices that are normally used to buy from or sell to the public or used for determining the quantity of product sold among businesses.

Issues on the agenda of the NCWM Laws and Regulations Committee (L&R Committee) relate to proposals to amend NIST Handbook 130, "Uniform Laws and Regulations in the area of legal metrology and engine fuel quality" and NIST Handbook 133 "Checking the Net Contents of Packaged Goods."

This notice contains information about significant items on the NCWM Committee agendas, but does not include all agenda items. As a result, the following items are not consecutively numbered. A copy of the complete agenda along with detailed background information is available at http://www.ncwm.net/events/index.cfm?fuseaction=meeting_archives.

Specifications and Tolerances Committee

The following items are proposals to amend NIST Handbook 44:

Scales Code

Item 320-1A and B—The S&T Committee is recommending adoption of several amendments to the current specifications for the mechanisms used on scales to set zero and tare values. Revisions to the definition for a tare mechanism are also proposed for the purpose of clarifying the requirements and increasing uniformity in their application.

Liquid-Measuring Devices Code

Item 330-1—Temperature Compensation for Liquid-Measuring Devices Code: This is not a voting item at this meeting but the S&T Committee will accept comments on a proposal to add provisions to Handbook 44 to allow retail motor fuel dispensers to be equipped with the automatic means to deliver product with the volume