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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 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

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, (808) 522-8220 (voice) or (808) 522-8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN: 0648-XR56

North Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The North Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) and its advisory committees will hold public meetings in October.

DATES: The Council will begin its plenary session at 8 a.m. on Saturday October 3 continuing through Friday October 9, 2009. The Council's Advisory Panel (AP) will begin at 8 a.m., Thursday October 1 and continue through Tuesday October 6. The Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) will begin at 8 a.m. on Thursday October 1 and continue through Saturday October 3, 2009. All meetings are open to the public, except executive sessions.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Anchorage Hilton Hotel, 500 W 3rd Avenue, Anchorage, AK

Council address: North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 W. 4th Avenue, Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501-2252.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David Witherell, Council staff, telephone: (907) 271-2809.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Council Plenary Session: The agenda for the Council's plenary session will include the following issues. The Council may take appropriate action on any of the issues identified.

1. Reports:
 - Election of Officers
 - Executive Director's Report
 - NMFS Management Report
 - Alaska Department of Fish & Game Report (including report on Board of Fish Proposals)
 - U.S. Coast Guard Report
 - U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Report
 - Protected Species Report
2. Gulf of Alaska (GOA) Pacific Cod Allocation: Initial review GOA Pacific cod sector split.
3. GOA Rockfish Program: Discussion paper and action as necessary.
4. Observer Program: Receive report on electronic monitoring Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) Phase two; review implementation analysis; receive Observer Advisory Committee report and action as necessary.
5. BSAI Crab Issues: BSAI Crab Regional Delivery Relief, identify preliminary preferred alternative; Initial Review of Crab Right of First Refusal provisions; Review proposals to address western Aleutian Island golden king crab fishery; Review outline for 5-year review of the program; Approve BSAI Crab Stock Assessment Fishery Evaluation (SAFE) and Over Fishing Limits (OFLs); receive discussion paper on Prohibited Species Catch (PSC) limits; Review status of Saint Matthew & Pribilof Blue King Crab and Opilio rebuilding plans.
6. Groundfish Actions: Final action on bottom trawl gear sweep requirements for flatfish trawl fishery; final action on

management of BSAI skate complex; receive Plan Team report; approve proposed catch specifications

7. Permit Fees: Final action on permit fees.

8. Salmon Bycatch: Initial review of salmon bycatch data collection; receive Geiger/Pella report on salmon bycatch sampling. (SSC only/and NMFS salmon sampling protocol)

9. Groundfish Issues: Review progress on Annual Catch Limits (ACLs) requirements; Review discussion paper on GOA Tanner and Chinook bycatch; Approve 5-year Research Priorities; Habitat Area Particular Concern (HAPC) evaluation criteria (SSC only).

10. Halibut Issues: Three-year charter halibut logbook review.

11. Staff Tasking: Review Committees and tasking; review Rural Outreach Committee report; consider additional alternative for Amendment 93 per NMFS request.

12. Other Business
The SSC agenda will include the following issues:

1. Observer Program
2. Bering Sea Crab
3. Groundfish Actions
4. Salmon Bycatch
5. Groundfish Issues
6. Halibut Issues

The Advisory Panel will address most of the same agenda issues as the Council, except for #1 reports. The Agenda is subject to change, and the latest version will be posted at <http://www.alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/npfmc/>

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Gail Bendixen at (907) 271-2809 at least 7 working 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) Ad Hoc Salmon Amendment Committee (SAC) will hold a meeting to develop draft alternatives and plan analyses for an amendment to the Pacific Coast Salmon Fishery Management Plan (FMP) to address the Magnuson-Stevens Act (MSA) requirements for annual catch limits (ACL) and accountability measures (AM). This meeting of the SAC is open to the public.

DATES: The meeting will be held Wednesday, October 7, 2009, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Pacific Council Office, Large Conference Room, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220-1384; telephone: (503) 820-2280.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The reauthorized MSA established new requirements to end and prevent overfishing through the use of ACL and AM. Federal FMPs must establish mechanisms for ACL and AM by 2010 for stocks subject to overfishing and by 2011 for all others, with the exceptions of stocks managed under an international agreement or stocks with a life cycle of approximately one year.

On January 16, 2009, NMFS published amended guidelines for National Standard 1 (NS1) of the MSA to provide guidance on how to comply with new ACL and AM requirements. The NS1 Guidelines include recommendations for establishing several related reference points to ensure scientific and management uncertainty are accounted for when management measures are established.

The purpose of this meeting is to develop alternatives to address those issues, and to plan analyses that will be used to evaluate those alternatives in a National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may come before the SAC 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 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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Tracey L. Thompson,

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Endangered and Threatened Species; Recovery Plans

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

ACTION: Extension of public comment period.

SUMMARY: On July 23, 2009, we, NMFS, announced the release of the Draft Southern California Steelhead Recovery Plan (Plan) for public review and comment. The Plan addresses the Southern California Steelhead (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*) Distinct Population Segment (DPS), which spawns in watersheds from the Santa Maria River (just north of Point Conception) south to the Tijuana River at the U.S.-Mexico border. NMFS is soliciting review and comment from the public and all interested parties on the Draft Plan. As part of that proposal, we provided a 60-day comment period, ending on September 20, 2009. We have received requests for an extension of the public comment period. In response to these requests, we are extending the comment period for the proposed action an additional 60 days.

DATES: Information and comments on the subject action must be received by November 19, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Please send written comments and materials to Penny Ruvelas, National Marine Fisheries Service, 501 W. Ocean Blvd, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802. Comments may also be submitted by e-mail to: SteelheadPlan.swr@noaa.gov. Include in the subject line of the e-mail comment the following identifier: Comments on Southern California Steelhead Plan. Comments may be submitted via facsimile (fax) to 562-980-4027.

Persons wishing to review the Plan can obtain an electronic copy (i.e., CD-ROM) from Kimberly Speech by calling 562-980-4020 or by e-mailing a request to kimberly.speech@noaa.gov with the subject line "CD-ROM Request for Southern California Steelhead Recovery Plan." Electronic copies of the Plan are also available on-line on the NMFS website http://swr.nmfs.noaa.gov/recovery/So_Cal.htm.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mark Capelli, NMFS Southern California Steelhead Recovery Coordinator at 805-963-6478 x14 or Penny Ruvelas, NMFS SWR Protected Resources Division at 562-980-4197.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On July 23, 2009, we published a Notice of Availability for the Draft Southern California Steelhead Recovery Plan (Plan) for public review and comment (74 FR 36460). The Plan addresses the Southern California Steelhead (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*) Distinct Population Segment (DPS), which spawns in watersheds from the Santa Maria River (just north of Point Conception) south to the Tijuana River at the U.S.-Mexico border. NMFS is soliciting review and comment from the public and all interested parties on the Draft Plan. As part of that proposal, we provided a 60-day comment period, ending on September 20, 2009. We also held two public meetings on the Plan, one in Carlsbad, CA, on August 25, 2009 and one in Santa Barbara, CA, on September 1, 2009. We have received requests for an extension of the public comment period. In response to these requests, we are extending the comment period for the proposed action an additional 60 days. Information and comments must be received by November 19, 2009.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*

Dated: September 4, 2009.

Angela Somma,

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

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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed Additions and Deletions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.