

Thursday March 4, 2010, 1 p.m.

1. Introduction
2. Hawaii longline bigeye tuna catch limit management
3. Hawaii deep-set longline swordfish trip catch limit
4. Regulatory definition of shortline fishing gear
5. Non-commercial fishing for Pelagic Management Unit Species in Rose Atoll, Marians Trench, and Pacific Remote Island Area National Marine Monuments
6. Potential changes to American Samoa limited entry program,
7. Other fisheries related issues
8. Other business
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10. Pelagic Plan Team

Recommendations

The order in which the agenda items are addressed may change. The PPT will meet as late as necessary to complete scheduled business.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before the PPT for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Plan Team action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any issue arising after publication of this document that requires 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.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

RIN 0648-XU45

Gulf of Mexico 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 Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene a web based meeting of the ABC Control Rule Working Group (Group).

DATES: The webinar meeting will convene at 10 a.m. eastern time on Friday, March 5, 2010 and is expected end at 12 noon.

ADDRESSES: The webinar will be accessible via internet. Please go to the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council's website at www.gulfcouncil.org for instructions.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven Atran, Population Dynamics Statistician; Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 348-1630.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The ABC Control Rule Working Group will meet to discuss and finalize a draft of the acceptable biological catch (ABC) control rule being developed. The discussion will include completion of a table of dimensions, tiers within dimensions, and points for use in developing the appropriate probability of overfishing to use for stocks that have adequate data to use the P-star approach to determining ABC. For data-poor stocks, those with inadequate data to apply the P-star approach, the Group will complete development of a decision tree of dimensions and tiers within dimensions to use in selecting an appropriate alternative approach to setting ABC that makes the best use of the available data. For each of the methods, the Group will select stocks to use as case studies in applying the method. The Group will also discuss what advice it can provide to the Council on setting a minimum stock threshold below which harvest will not be allowed.

Copies of the agenda and other related materials can be obtained by calling (813) 348-1630. Materials will also be available to download from the ABC Control Rule Working Group folder of the Council's FTP site (<http://ftp.gulfcouncil.org>, login i.d. is anonymous, leave password blank).

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agenda may come before the ABC Control Rule Working Group 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 this meeting. Actions of the Working Group 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.

Special Accommodations

This webinar is accessible to people with disabilities. For assistance with any of our webinars contact Tina O'Hern at the Council (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 working days prior to the webinar.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene its Law Enforcement Advisory Panel.

DATES: The meeting will convene at 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 9, 2010 and conclude no later than 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Perdido Beach Resort, 27200 Perdido Beach Blvd., Orange Beach, AL 36561.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Richard Leard, Deputy Executive Director, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 348-1630.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Council will convene the Law Enforcement Advisory Panel to consider the use of catch shares as a fishery management tool and the law

enforcement implications. The Law Enforcement Advisory Panel will also review a recently completed Red Snapper Regulatory Amendment and an Options Paper for Amendment 32 to the Reef Fish Fishery Management Plan that addresses gag and red grouper. The Law Enforcement Advisory Panel will also review the current action schedule and the status of amendments and other regulatory actions. Finally, the Law Enforcement Advisory Panel will discuss the use of fish traps in federal waters.

The Law Enforcement Advisory Panel consists of principal law enforcement officers in each of the Gulf States, as well as NOAA Law Enforcement, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), the U.S. Coast Guard, and the NOAA General Counsel for Law Enforcement. A copy of the agenda and related materials can be obtained by calling the Council office at (813) 348-1630.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agendas may come before the Law Enforcement Advisory Panel 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 this meeting. Actions of the Law Enforcement Advisory Panel will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agendas 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.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Western 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 Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold meetings of its American Samoa and Hawaii Archipelagic Fishery Ecosystem Plan (FEP) Plan Teams to discuss potential management measures for non-commercial fishing in the Rose Atoll Marine National Monument and Pacific Remote Islands Marine National Monument, respectively.

DATES: The American Samoa FEP Plan Team meeting will be held on Monday, March 8, 2010, from 2-4 p.m. HST. The Hawaii FEP Plan Team meeting will be held March 9, 2010, from 1-3 p.m. HST.

ADDRESSES: The American Samoa meeting will be held at the American Samoa Department of Marine and Wildlife Resources Building, Pago Pago, AS 96799; telephone: (684) 633-4456.

The Hawaii meeting will be held at the Council Office Conference Room, Western Pacific Fishery Management Council, 1164 Bishop St., Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI, 96813; telephone: (808) 522-8220.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director; telephone: (808) 522-8220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The agenda for the American Samoa FEP Plan Team meeting will focus primarily on one issue: non-commercial fishing in the Rose Atoll Marine National Monument as prescribed in Presidential Proclamation 8337 (January 6, 2009). The agenda for the Hawaii FEP Plan Team meeting will also only consider primarily one issue: non-commercial fishing in the Pacific Remote Islands Marine National Monument as prescribed in Presidential Proclamation 8336 (January 6, 2009). Interested parties who are unable to attend in person will be able to participate via teleconference using the Council's teleconferencing facility (1-888-482-3560, pass code 5228220). The plan teams will meet as late as necessary to complete scheduled business.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before the plan teams for discussion,

those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Plan Team action will be limited to issues regarding non-commercial fishing in the Rose Atoll Marine National Monument and the Pacific Remote Islands Marine National Monument, respectively.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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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 Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) and its advisory entities will hold public meetings.

DATES: The Council and its advisory entities will meet March 5-11, 2010. The Pacific Council meeting will begin on Saturday, March 6, 2010 at 10 a.m., reconvening each day through Thursday, March 11, 2010. All meetings are open to the public, except a closed session will be held from 11 a.m. until 12 noon on Saturday, March 6 to address litigation and personnel matters. The Pacific Council will meet as late as necessary each day to complete its scheduled business.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Doubletree Hotel Sacramento, 2001 Point West Way, Sacramento, CA 95815; telephone: (916) 929-8855.

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