

based on population trends of each stock and mortality and serious injury levels incidental to commercial fisheries that are below the stocks' PBRs.

Accordingly, given these factors and NMFS' prioritization process, TRPs will be deferred under section 118 as other stocks have a higher priority for any available funding for establishing new TRPs.

Mortality and serious injury of Steller sea lions, Eastern U.S. stock, and NEP fin whales incidental to commercial fisheries are at insignificant levels, approaching a zero mortality and serious injury rate (Allen and Angliss, 2010). MMPA section 118(b)(2) states that fisheries maintaining such mortality and serious injury levels are not required to further reduce their mortality and serious injury rates. Because the goals of TRPs are to reduce mortality and serious injury of marine mammals incidental to commercial fishing operations, no TRPs are required for either of these stocks.

As noted in the summary above, all of the requirements to issue a permit to the following Federally-authorized and State-parallel Category II groundfish fisheries have been satisfied: the AK Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands flatfish trawl, AK Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands pollock trawl, AK Bering Sea sablefish pot, and AK Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands Pacific cod longline fisheries. Accordingly, NMFS proposes to issue a permit to participants in these Category II fisheries for the taking of CNP humpback whales, WNP humpback whales, NEP fin whales, North Pacific sperm whales, Steller sea lions (Western U.S. stock), and the Steller sea lions (Eastern U.S. stock) incidental to the fisheries' operations. As noted under MMPA section 101(a)(5)(E)(ii), no permit is required for vessels in Category III fishery. For incidental taking of marine mammals to be authorized in Category III fisheries, any injuries or mortalities must be reported to NMFS. NMFS solicits public comments on the proposed permit and the preliminary determinations supporting the permit.

#### References

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NMFS. 2010. Draft Biological Opinion for Authorization of Groundfish Fisheries under the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Island Management Area, Authorization of Groundfish Fisheries under the Fishery

Management Plan for Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska, and the State of Alaska Parallel Groundfish Fisheries. NMFS, Alaska Region, Juneau, AK. (<http://stellersealions.noaa.gov/protectedresources/stellers/esa/biop/draft/0810.htm>.)

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### Meeting of the U.S. Naval Academy Board of Visitors

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of partially closed meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Naval Academy Board of Visitors will meet to make such inquiry, as the Board shall deem necessary, into the state of morale and discipline, the curriculum, instruction, physical equipment, fiscal affairs, and academic methods of the Naval Academy. The executive session of this meeting from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. on December 6, 2010, will include discussions of disciplinary matters, law enforcement investigations into allegations of criminal activity, and personnel issues at the Naval Academy, the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy. For this reason, the executive session of this meeting will be closed to the public.

**DATES:** The open session of the meeting will be held on December 6th, 2010, from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. The closed session of this meeting will be the executive session held from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held in the Bo Coppedge Room of Alumni Hall, U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland. The meeting will be handicap accessible.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Lieutenant Commander David S. Forman, USN, Executive Secretary to the Board of Visitors, Office of the Superintendent, U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD 21402-5000, 410-293-1503.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice of meeting is provided per the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App.). The executive session of the meeting from 11 a.m. to

12 p.m. on December 6, 2010, will consist of discussions of law enforcement investigations into allegations of criminal activity, new and pending administrative/minor disciplinary infractions and nonjudicial punishments involving the Midshipmen attending the Naval Academy to include but not limited to individual honor/conduct violations within the Brigade, and personnel issues. The discussion of such information cannot be adequately segregated from other topics, which precludes opening the executive session of this meeting to the public.

Accordingly, the Secretary of the Navy has determined in writing that the meeting shall be partially closed to the public because the discussions during the executive session from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. will be concerned with matters coming under sections 552b(c) (5), (6), and (7) of title 5, United States Code.

Dated: November 2, 2010.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Department of the Navy

#### Meeting of the Ocean Research and Resources Advisory Panel

**AGENCY:** Department of the Navy, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of Open Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Ocean Research and Resources Advisory Panel will hold a regularly scheduled meeting. The meeting will be open to the public.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 8, 2010, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Thursday, December 9, 2010, from 8:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Members of the public should submit their comments in advance of the meeting to the meeting point of contact.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Consortium for Ocean Leadership, 1201 New York Avenue, NW., 4th Floor, Washington, DC 20005.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Charles L. Vincent, Office of Naval Research, 875 North Randolph Street, Suite 1425, Arlington, VA 22203-1995, telephone 703-696-4118.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice of open meeting is provided in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App. 2). The meeting will include discussions on