

DATES: This meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 14, 2011 at 10 a.m. and Thursday, September 15, 2011 at 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Hilton Providence, 21 Atwells Avenue, Providence, RI 02903; telephone: (401) 831-3900; fax: (407) 751-0007.

Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

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The Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) will recommend ABCs for the Northeast Multispecies FMP for FY 2012–2014. Additionally, the SSC will develop comments on terms of reference for upcoming assessments for Atlantic sea herring and Southern New England yellowtail flounder scheduled for the 54th Stock Assessment Workshop (SAW) in the spring of 2012. The Committee also will discuss upcoming priorities and tasking, improving outreach, research priorities, possible use for advisory panel in the process for making acceptable biological catch (ABC) recreational for fishery management plans.

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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Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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North 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 of the North Pacific Fishery Management Council's (NPFMC) Crab Plan Team (CPT).

SUMMARY: The CPT will meet September 19–22, 2011 at the Alaska Fishery Science Center, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE., Building 4, Traynor Room, Seattle, WA.

DATES: The meeting will be held September 19–22, 2011, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Alaska Fishery Science Center, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE., Building 4, Traynor Room, Seattle, WA.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diana Stram; telephone: (907) 271-2809.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Plan Team meeting agenda includes: Finalize assessments (including Overfishing Fishing Limits and Acceptable Biological Catch recommendations) for Tanner Crab, Snow Crab, Bristol Bay Red King Crab, Saint Matthew Blue King Crab, Pribilof Island Blue King Crab, Aleutian Island Golden King Crab; Review ecosystem considerations; Review/revise Economic Stock Assessment Fishery Evaluation report; Review overview of Nearshore Bristol Bay survey; and Discussion of Bmsy proxy criteria and time frames based on results of current assessments and guidelines for upcoming assessment cycle.

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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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Council to convene public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council will convene a public meeting via webinar of the Ecosystem Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC).

DATES: The meeting will convene at 8 a.m. Eastern time on Thursday, September 15, 2011 and is expected to conclude by 12 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held via webinar and will be accessible via Internet. Please go to the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council's Web site at <http://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: Dr. Karen Burns, Ecosystem Management Specialist; Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 348-1630.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Ecosystem Scientific and Statistical Committee will convene to discuss details concerning a proposed joint workshop of the Ecosystem Scientific and Statistical Committee and the Socio-economic Scientific and Statistical Committee to begin the process of determining a mechanism for including socio-economic input into Ecosystem Scientific and Statistical Committee recommendations moving toward ecosystem based management. The Ecosystem Scientific and Statistical Committee will also discuss and develop their Strategic Plan, and a presentation on the prior Standing Scientific and Statistical Committee meeting will be given.