

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The items of discussion in the committee's agenda are as follows:

The Groundfish Oversight Committee will discuss possible adjustments to sector management measures and issues related to setting Acceptable Biological Catches (ABCs), Annual Catch Limits (ACLs), and Accountability Measures (AMs). The Committee will continue to develop options to improve sector monitoring, including both at-sea and dockside monitoring. They may discuss different funding mechanisms, appropriate coverage levels, full retention of allocated groundfish species, and ACE carry-over provisions. With respect to ABCs/ACLs/AMs, the Committee will consider additional sub-ACLs for the scallop fishery for stocks such as SNE/MAB windowpane flounder and SNE/MA winter flounder. The Committee may also develop options for additional sub-ACLs for fisheries outside the Council's jurisdiction that catch these stocks. Examples of fisheries that may be affected include the fluke and scup fisheries that are managed by the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC) and the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC), and the squid fisheries are managed by the MAFMC. Committee members will also discuss additional reactive AMs for wolffish, SNE/MA winter flounder, and Atlantic halibut. The Committee may also discuss other issues that may be incorporated into the framework, such as issues related to Georges Bank yellowtail flounder management. Options identified by the Committee will be included in a future management action (Framework Adjustment 48) that will be considered by the Council in the fall of 2012. The Committee is also expected to receive a preliminary report on the recent assessments of Eastern Georges Bank cod and haddock, and Georges Bank yellowtail flounder that were conducted by the Transboundary Resource Assessment Committee. The Committee may provide comments for consideration by the Transboundary Management Guidance Committee when it negotiates FY 2013 quotas for these stocks. Other business may be discussed.

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 identified 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

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 (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: July 13, 2012.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### Fisheries of the South Atlantic; South Atlantic 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 South Atlantic Fishery Management Council's Golden Crab Advisory permit holders.

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council will hold a meeting of Golden Crab Permit Holders in Key Largo, FL.

**DATES:** The meeting will take place August 10, 2012, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Hilton Key Largo Resort, 97000 South Overseas Highway, Key Largo, FL 33037; telephone: (305) 852-5553.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kim Iverson, Public Information Officer, South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N. Charleston, SC 29405; telephone: (843) 571-4366 or toll free (866) SAFMC-10; fax: (843) 769-4520; email: [kim.iverson@safmc.net](mailto:kim.iverson@safmc.net).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Golden Crab permit holders are being brought together to discuss options being considered by the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council that could potentially establish a catch share program in this fishery. Permit holders will be asked to discuss their support for or opposition to a catch share program. There will be an overview of draft Amendment 6 to the Golden Crab

Fishery Management Plan for the South Atlantic Region and the permit holders will discuss potential allocation scenarios and share ownership caps among other management issues for the commercial fishery. The permit holders will discuss alternatives in the amendment and provide recommendations for Council consideration.

#### Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to the council office (see **ADDRESSES**) three days prior to the meeting.

**Note:** The times and sequence specified in this agenda are subject to change.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to a Wharf Construction Project

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

**ACTION:** Notice; issuance of an incidental harassment authorization.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the regulations implementing the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) as amended, notification is hereby given that we have issued an incidental harassment authorization (IHA) to the U.S. Navy (Navy) to incidentally harass, by Level B harassment only, six species of marine mammals during construction activities associated with a wharf construction project in Hood Canal, Washington.

**DATES:** This authorization is effective from July 16, 2012, through February 15, 2013.

**ADDRESSES:** A copy of the IHA and related documents are available by writing to Michael Payne, Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910.