

Producer/exporter	Net subsidy rate (%)
Guangdong Yingao Kitchen Utensils Co., Ltd., and Foshan Magang Kitchen Utensils Co., Ltd .....	2.12
Zhongshan Superte Kitchenware Co., Ltd .....	13.94
Foshan Zhaoshun Trade Co., Ltd.	13.94
All Others .....	8.03

Zhaoshun's cash deposit rate is a "combination rate" pursuant to 19 CFR 351.107(b). It applies only to subject merchandise exported by Zhaoshun and produced by Superte.

In accordance with sections 703(d)(1)(B) and (2) of the Act, we are directing CBP to suspend liquidation of all entries of SS sinks from the PRC that are entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the date of the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, and to require a cash deposit for such entries of merchandise in the amounts indicated above.

#### ITC Notification

In accordance with section 703(f) of the Act, we will notify the ITC of our determination. In addition, we are making available to the ITC all non-privileged and non-proprietary information relating to this investigation. We will allow the ITC access to all privileged and business proprietary information in our files, provided the ITC confirms that it will not disclose such information, either publicly or under an administrative protective order, without the written consent of the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

In accordance with section 705(b)(2) of the Act, if our final determination is affirmative, the ITC will make its final determination within 45 days after the Department makes its final determination.

#### Disclosure and Public Comment

In accordance with 19 CFR 351.224(b), we will disclose to the parties the calculations for this preliminary determination within five days of its announcement. Due to the anticipated timing of verification and issuance of verification reports, case briefs for this investigation must be submitted no later than one week after the issuance of the last verification report. See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(i) (for a further discussion of case briefs). Rebuttal briefs must be filed within five days after the deadline for submission of case briefs, pursuant to 19 CFR

351.309(d)(1). A list of authorities relied upon, a table of contents, and an executive summary of issues should accompany any briefs submitted to the Department. Executive summaries should be limited to five pages total, including footnotes. See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2).

Section 774 of the Act provides that the Department will hold a public hearing to afford interested parties an opportunity to comment on arguments raised in case or rebuttal briefs, provided that such a hearing is requested by an interested party. If a request for a hearing is made in this investigation, the hearing will be held two days after the deadline for submission of the rebuttal briefs, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(d), at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230. Parties should confirm by telephone the time, date, and place of the hearing 48 hours before the scheduled time.

Interested parties who wish to request a hearing, or to participate if one is requested, must electronically submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration using IA ACCESS, within 30 days of the publication of this notice, pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c). Requests should contain: (1) The party's name, address, and telephone; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of the issues to be discussed. Oral presentations will be limited to issues raised in the briefs. *Id.*

This determination is published pursuant to sections 703(f) and 777(i) of the Act.

Dated: July 30, 2012.

**Paul Piquado,**

*Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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### Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force Strategic Plan 2013-2017

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of Strategic Plan; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)

announces the availability of the Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force Strategic Plan 2013-2017 (Plan), approved by the Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force (ANSTF). The Plan is available for public review and comment.

**DATES:** Comments must be received within 45 days after September 20, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Electronic copies of the Strategic Plan are available on the ANSTF Web site, <http://anstalkforce.gov>. To obtain a hard copy of the Strategic Plan or to submit comments, see Document Availability and Public Comment under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Margaret M. (Peg) Brady, NOAA Policy Liaison to the Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force, 1315 East West Highway, SSMC 3, Rm. 15426 Silver Spring, MD 20910 Phone: 301-427-8655; Email: [Peg.Brady@noaa.gov](mailto:Peg.Brady@noaa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Introduction

The Aquatic Nuisance Species Task Force (ANSTF) is an intergovernmental organization dedicated to preventing and controlling aquatic nuisance species (ANS) and coordinating governmental efforts dealing with ANS in the United States with those of the private sector and other North American interests. ANSTF was established by Congress with the passage of the Nonindigenous Aquatic Nuisance Prevention and Control Act (NANPCA, Pub. L. 101-646, 104 STAT. 4671, 16 U.S.C. 4701-4741) in 1990 and reauthorized with the passage of the National Invasive Species Act (NISA) in 1996. Section 1201(d) of NANPCA designates the Undersecretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere and the Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service and the as the ANSTF Co-chairpersons. The ANSTF's charter is authorized by the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972. The charter provides the ANSTF with its core structure and ensures an open and public forum for its activities. To meet the challenges of developing and implementing a coordinated and complementary Federal program for ANS activities, the ANSTF members include 13 Federal agency representatives and 13 representatives from ex-officio member organizations. These members work in conjunction with Regional Panels and issue-specific committees to coordinate efforts amongst agencies as well as efforts of the private sector and other North American interests.

## Background

Section 1202 (a) of NANPCA authorizes the ANSTF to develop and implement a program for waters of the United States to prevent introduction and dispersal of ANS, to monitor, control, and study such species, and to disseminate related information. The Aquatic Nuisance Species Program document guided the work of the ANSTF from 1994 to 2002. The document tracked the requirements outlined in the NANPCA, established the core and supporting elements of the ANS program, provided for prioritization of activities, and charted a course for implementation of the Act. The ANSTF Strategic Plans for 2002–2007 and 2007–2012 maintained the key elements of the ANS Program, but provided a broader focus for activities consistent with provisions of NISA. These plans provided more emphasis on prevention strategies, particularly for intentional introductions.

On May 6, 2011, the ANSTF formed an ad hoc committee to draft the ANSTF Strategic Plan for 2013–2017. A draft plan was presented to the ANSTF on November 2, 2011. ANSTF Federal agency and ex-officio members and Regional Panels representatives were given the opportunity to review and comment on the draft plan. Each comment received was reviewed and addressed by the ad hoc committee and a revised draft plan was presented to the ANSTF. The ANSTF approved the revised draft on May 3, 2012.

The ANSTF Strategic Plan for 2013–2017 (hereafter, the Strategic Plan) carries through many of the goals and objectives established in previous plans by remaining focused on prevention, monitoring, and control of ANS as well as increasing public understanding of the problems and impacts associated with invasive species. The Strategic Plan also calls attention to other areas of ANS management, including habitat restoration and research. The Strategic Plan establishes the following eight goals, each which contain associated objectives and action items.

1. *Coordination*: The ANSTF was created to facilitate cooperation and coordinate efforts between Federal, State, tribes, and local agencies, the private sector, and other North American interests. The objectives for the coordination goal include strengthening cooperation at both national and regional levels within the ANSTF and the Regional Panels and encouraging the development and implementation of ANS plans and regulations.

2. *Prevention*: Prevention is the first-line of defense against ANS. This goal calls for developing strategies to identify and reduce the risk of ANS introduced by increasing development and use of risk assessments, Hazard Analysis and Critical Control Point programs (HACCP), and pathway assessment and interdiction options.

3. *Early Detection and Rapid Response*: Early Detection and Rapid Response programs are designed to monitor habitats to discover new species soon after introduction, report sightings of previously unknown species in an area, and work quickly to keep the species from becoming established and spreading. Objectives for the ANSTF include improving detection and monitoring programs and facilitating development and implementation of rapid response contingency plans.

4. *Control and Management*: Control and management tools are needed to assess, remove, and contain ANS populations as well as to guide management decisions. The ANSTF will implement this goal by evaluating and providing support to management plans, increasing training opportunities, and encouraging the development of management techniques.

5. *Restoration*: Habitat restoration is an essential to guard against future invasions and to minimize harm from invasive species. This goal focuses on restoring impacted ecosystems and consideration of potential ANS during planning and implementation of restoration activities.

6. *Education/Outreach*: The lack of awareness concerning ANS impacts is one of the largest management obstacles. Few people understand the threat some ANS pose and how their actions might introduce them. Objectives by the ANSTF for education and outreach include reaching out to the general public, providing technical guidance to targeted audiences, and raising awareness among legislators and decision makers.

7. *Research*: Research supports all facets of the Strategic Plan and is necessary to increase the effectiveness of prevention, detection, response, and control and management of invasive species. To help ensure that research addresses critical needs, this goal focuses on coordination among government agencies, academia, and other participating entities.

8. *Funding*: Securing dedicated long-term and emergency funding is necessary to achieve the goals laid out in the Strategic Plan. The actions outlined by the ANSTF focus on coordinating Federal agency budgets to

support ANSTF priorities, develop partnerships, and seek opportunities to leverage funds within Federal and State agencies, local governments, tribal entities, industry, as well as other entities including non-governmental organizations.

The Strategic Plan should not be considered a comprehensive list of all ANS strategic actions; it does contain a targeted set of priority strategic goals, objectives, and associated action items that are intended to be completed in the next 5 years. The accomplishment of specific objectives and action items will be dependent upon budgets of individual agencies and the Regional Panels; and in some cases, legal or regulatory changes as well as enforcement of these changes. Following adoption of the Strategic Plan, an Operational Plan will be composed to depict short-term efforts to achieve the actions in the Strategic Plan to ensure the goals and objectives of the Strategic Plan are measurable and accountable. The Operational Plan will be completed by the ANSTF members working together and separately with support of the Regional Panels and committees. The actions in the Operational Plan will be updated regularly and reported on to measure the progress towards meeting the goals of the Strategic Plan.

The Strategic Plan takes a deliberate, cooperative approach and builds on existing programs. The ANSTF will utilize this plan to maximize its efforts over the next 5 years to prevent and control invasive species with the purpose of protecting our environment, economy and human health. The Strategic Plan was approved by the ANSTF on May 3, 2012; distribution of the document for public comment is the final step for the ANSTF to adopt the Strategic Plan.

## Document Availability

You may obtain copies of the Strategic Plan by any one of the following methods:

- *Internet*: <http://anstalkforce.gov>
- *Write*: Susan Pasko, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, 1315 East West Highway, SSMC 3, Rm. 15719 Silver Spring, MD 20910; Telephone: (301) 427–8682; Email: [Susan.Pasko@noaa.gov](mailto:Susan.Pasko@noaa.gov).

## Request for Comments

Comments on the Strategic Plan are invited. The ANSTF will review all submitted comments and make revisions, as appropriate, to the Strategic Plan before adoption. You may

submit a written comment by any one of the following methods:

- *Email:* Susan.Pasko@noaa.gov.
- *Mail or hand-delivery:* Susan Pasko, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, 1315 East West Highway, SSMC 3, Rm. 15719 Silver Spring, MD 20910.
- *Fax:* (301) 713-1043.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Dated: July 25, 2012.

**Alan D. Risenhoover,**

*Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, performing the functions and duties of the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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### Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council); Public Meetings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council will convene public meetings.

**DATES:** The meetings will be held August 20–23, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** The meetings will be held at the Astor Crowne Plaza, 739 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70130; telephone: (504) 962-0500.

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

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

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

## Committees

*Monday, August 20, 2012*

*9 a.m.–11 a.m.*—New Council Member Orientation.

*1 p.m.–2:30 p.m.*—The Ad Hoc Restoration Committee will receive presentations.

*2:30 p.m.–4:30 p.m.*—The Data Collection Committee will discuss the Final Generic Amendment—Dealer Permits/Electronic Logbook Reporting Requirements; discuss Electronic Report for Headboats and for the For-Hire Industry.

*4:30 p.m.–5 p.m.*—The Shrimp Management Committee will review a White Paper on Funding Options for the Electronic Logbook (ELB) Program; and discuss Exempted Fishing Permits related to Shrimp (if any).

*5 p.m.–5:30 p.m.*—The Law Enforcement Committee will receive a report from the Law Enforcement Advisory Panel Meeting.

*5:30 p.m.–6 p.m.*—The Budget/Personnel Committee will discuss the Executive Director's selection process.

—Recess—

Immediately following committee recess NOAA Fisheries will hold a workshop considering administrative changes to the Individual Fishing Quota (IFQ) Program. This workshop will be held in the Council's meeting room.

*Tuesday, August 21, 2012*

*8:30 a.m.–11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.–5:30 p.m.*—The Reef Fish Management Committee will receive a presentation by Louisiana DWF on the State Boundary Extension and Pilot Program; review a Scoping Document for Amendment 28—Sector Allocations; discuss an Options Papers for a Framework Action on Vermilion Snapper Annual Catch Limit; review comments on Amendment 33—Reef Fish Limited Access Privilege Program; consider a Public Hearing Draft for Amendment 37—Gray Triggerfish Rebuilding Plan; discuss the Final Amendment 38—Revise Post-Season Recreational Accountability Measures for Shallow-Water Grouper and Revision to the Generic Framework Procedure; review the Public Hearing Draft of a Framework Action for 2013 Gag Season, Split Season, & Elimination of February–March Shallow-Water Group Closure; discuss concerns about Amendment 35—the Rebuilding Plan for Greater Amberjack; review other Reef Fish Advisory Panel comments (if any); discuss the status of actions submitted under the Abbreviated Framework Process; and discuss Exempted Fishing Permits related to Reef Fish (if any).

—Recess—

Immediately following the Committee Recess will be the Informal Question & Answer Session on Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Issues.

*Wednesday, August 22, 2012*

*8:30 a.m.–9:30 a.m.*—Closed Session—Full Council to discuss personnel matters.

*9:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m.*—The Joint Artificial Reef/Habitat Committees will review a Scoping Document for Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) Amendment 4 Designating Petroleum Platforms and Artificial Reefs as Essential Fish Habitat.

—Recess—

## Council

*Wednesday, August 22, 2012*

*10:30 a.m.*—The Council meeting will begin with a Call to Order and Introductions.

*10:40 a.m.–10:45 a.m.*—The Council will induct the New Council Members.

*10:45 a.m.–10:55 a.m.*—The Council will review the agenda and approve the minutes.

*10:55 a.m.–11 a.m.*—The Council will review the Action Schedule.

*11 a.m.–11:45 a.m.*—The Council will review Committee Reports from the Ad Hoc Restoration Committee, the Shrimp Management Committee, the Law Enforcement Committee, and the Budget/Personnel Committee.

*1 p.m.–1:15 p.m.*—The Council will review Exempted Fishing Permits (EFP), if any.

*1:15 p.m.–5:30 p.m.*—The Council will receive public testimony on the Final Reef Fish Amendment 38—Revise Post-Season Recreational Accountability Measures for Shallow-Water Grouper & Revision to the Generic Framework Procedure; the Final Generic Amendment for Dealer Permits and Electronic Reporting; Amendment 33 for Adding Additional Reef Fish to the Limited Access Privilege Program; and Exempted Fishing Permits (EFPs), if any. The Council will also hold an open public comment period regarding any other fishery issues or concerns. People wishing to speak before the Council should complete a public comment card prior to the comment period.

*Thursday, August 23, 2012*

*8:30 a.m.–8:45 a.m.*—The Council will vote on Exempted Fishing Permits (if any).

*8:45 a.m.–3:45 p.m.*—The Council will review and discuss reports from committee meetings as follows: Reef Fish, Data Collection, Mackerel and Joint Artificial Reef/Habitat.