

a.m. on Thursday, June 25, 2015 and adjourn by 12 noon or when business is complete.

**ADDRESSES:**

*Meeting address:* The meeting will be held at the Marriott Beachside Hotel, 3841 North Roosevelt Boulevard, Key West, FL 33040; telephone: (305) 296-8100.

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

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Douglas Gregory, Executive Director, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 348-1630; fax: (813) 348-1711; email: [doug.gregory@gulfcouncil.org](mailto:doug.gregory@gulfcouncil.org).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation (MSA) and Management Reauthorization Act (MSRA) established the CCC by amending section 302 (16 U.S.C. 1852) of the MSA. The committee consists of the chairs, vice chairs, and executive directors of each of the eight Regional Fishery Management Councils authorized by the MSA or other Council members or staff. GMFMC will host this meeting and provide reports to the CCC for its information and discussion. All sessions are open to the public. NMFS or other Council items of discussion for each individual management committee agenda are as follows:

**Agenda**

*Tuesday, June 23, 2015; 9:30 a.m.–5:15 p.m.*

- Welcome and Introductions
  - Budgets: 2016 Budget/Saltonstall-Kennedy Grants; National Observer Funding Allocation; Joint Enforcement Agreements
  - MSA Reauthorization: Legislative Updates; CCC Discussion on working group report and actions
  - National Standard 1: Individual Council Comments; Update & Approval of Draft Letter
  - Bycatch Strategy
- Adjourn for the day

*Wednesday, June 24, 2015; 8:30 a.m.–5:30 p.m.*

- Presentations: Marine Resource Education Program; American Fisheries Society; Social Scientists in RFM Report
- Presidential Task Force on IUU
- NEPA Working Group Report: CCC White Paper; Revised MSA NEPA Procedures
- Allocation Working Group Report: CCC Guidelines; NMFS Guidelines
- Operational Guidelines
- Cooperative Research & Management

- Recreational Fishery Issues: Recreational Fishery Policy; Marine Recreational Information Program
- Adjourn for the day

*Thursday, June 25, 2015; 8:30 a.m.–12 noon*

- Habitat Working Group Report: Proposed 2016 Habitat Summit
- Assessment Prioritization Update
- International Affairs/Seafood Inspection
- SSC Issues: National SSC V Workshop Report; Next Meeting (location/year)

- 2016 CCC Meetings
  - Other Business & Wrap-up
- Meeting Adjourns

The timing and order in which agenda items are addressed may change as required to effectively address the issues. The CCC will meet as late as necessary to complete scheduled business.

**Special Accommodations**

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kathy Pereira at the Gulf Council Office (see **ADDRESSES**), at least 5 working days prior to the meeting.

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

Dated: May 26, 2015.

**Emily H. Menashes,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**Proposed Monterey Bay Regional Water Project Desalination Facility; Intent To Prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement; Scoping Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Office of National Marine Sanctuaries (ONMS), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

**ACTION:** Notice of intent to prepare environmental impact statement; Scoping meeting.

**SUMMARY:** An application for permit approval has been submitted by DeepWater Desal, LLC to the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary (MBNMS) and California State Lands Commission (CSLC) to construct and operate a seawater reverse osmosis

(SWRO) desalination facility and co-located seawater-cooled 150-megawatt computer data center campus project (Project) at Moss Landing, Monterey County, California. The permit review process will be conducted concurrently with a public process conducted pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA; 42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). NOAA is soliciting information and comments on the range and significance of issues related to the Project proposed within MBNMS boundaries.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by July 1, 2015. A public meeting will be held as detailed below:

*Date:* Tuesday, June 16, 2015.

*Location:* Moss Landing Marine Laboratories (MLML), Main Building Conference Room.

*Address:* 8272 Moss Landing Road, Moss Landing, CA 95039.

*Times:* sessions begin at 2:00 p.m. and at 6:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted by either of the following methods:

- *Electronic Submissions:* Submit all electronic public comments via the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal. Go to [www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=NOAA-NOS-2015-0069](http://www.regulations.gov/#!docketDetail;D=NOAA-NOS-2015-0069), click the “Comment Now!” icon, complete the required fields and enter or attach your comments.

- *Mail:* MBNMS Desalination Project Lead, 99 Pacific Ave, BLDG 455a, Monterey, CA 93940

*Instructions:* Comments sent by any other method, to any other address or individual, or received after the end of the comment period, may not be considered by NOAA. All comments received are a part of the public record and will generally be posted for public viewing on [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) without change. All personal identifying information (*e.g.*, name, address, etc.), confidential business information, or otherwise sensitive information submitted voluntarily by the sender will be publicly accessible. ONMS will accept anonymous comments (enter “N/A” in the required fields if you wish to remain anonymous).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bridget Hoover at 99 Pacific Ave, BLDG 455a, Monterey, CA 93940 or [mbnms.comments@noaa.gov](mailto:mbnms.comments@noaa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background Information**

**I. Background**

An application for permit approval has been submitted by DeepWater Desal,

LLC to construct and operate a seawater reverse osmosis (SWRO) desalination facility capable of producing 25,000 acre-feet per year (AFY) of potable water and a co-located seawater-cooled computer data center campus on a 110-acre site located approximately 1.5 miles east of Moss Landing. Seawater intake and brine discharge pipelines would extend west from Moss Landing Harbor to the upper reaches of the submarine Monterey Canyon and the north shelf, respectively, Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary (MBNMS).

## II. Need for action

This notice of intent (NOI) to prepare a draft environmental impact statement and conduct scoping is published in accordance with: the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); California Public Resources Code section 21080.4, subdivision (a); State CEQA Guidelines section 15082; section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, as amended; and the White House Council on Environmental Quality Regulations for Implementing the Procedural Provisions of NEPA (CEQ NEPA Regulations).

The California State Lands Commission (CSLC) and MBNMS, as CEQA and NEPA lead agencies respectively, will prepare a joint Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) to identify and assess potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed Deep Water Desal, LLC Monterey Bay Regional Water Project (Project). Agencies would use the EIR/EIS to consider related permits or other approvals for the Project as proposed. Possible alternatives could include not approving the Project or approving the Project with additional modifications identified as part of the terms and conditions of a permit or other approval.

Publication of this notice initiates the public scoping process to solicit public and agency comment, in writing or at the public meeting, regarding the full spectrum of environmental issues and concerns relating to the scope and content of the EIR/EIS, including:

- Analyses of the human and marine resources that could be affected;
- the nature and extent of the potential significant impacts on those resources;
- a reasonable range of alternatives to the proposed action; and
- mitigation measures.

## III. Process

This NOI is published in conjunction with the CSLC NOI, as this is a joint process between NOAA/MBNMS, the lead federal agency, and the CSLC, the

lead state agency. The two agencies will prepare a joint Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS), and will hold a joint public scoping meeting for the project on Tuesday, June 16, 2015; Sessions begin at 2:00 pm and 6:00 pm, at Moss Landing Marine Laboratories at 8272 Moss Landing Road, CA 95039.

## IV. Federal Consultations

This notice also advises the public that NOAA will coordinate its consultation responsibilities under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act (ESA), Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) under the Magnuson Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA), section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA, 16 U.S.C. 470), and Federal Consistency review under the Coastal Zone Management Act (CZMA), along with its ongoing NEPA process including the use of NEPA documents and public and stakeholder meetings to also meet the requirements of other federal laws.

In fulfilling its consultation responsibility under the ESA, MSA, NHPA, CZMA and NEPA, NOAA intends to identify consulting parties and involve the public in accordance with NOAA's NEPA procedures, and develop in consultation with identified consulting parties alternatives and proposed measures that might avoid, minimize or mitigate any adverse effects on endangered species, essential fish habitat, historic properties, or coastal zone management issues, and describe them in any environmental assessment or draft environmental impact statement.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1431 *et seq.*

Dated: May 21, 2015.

**John Armor,**

*Acting Director for the Office of National Marine Sanctuaries.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council's (MAFMC) Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea

Bass Advisory Panel (AP) will hold a public meeting.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Wednesday June 17, 2015 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For agenda details, see

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Double Tree by Hilton Baltimore—BWI Airport, 890 Elkridge Landing Road, Linthicum, MD 21090; telephone: (410) 859-8400.

**Council address:** Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N. State Street, Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674-2331.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Christopher M. Moore, Ph.D., Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, telephone: (302) 526-5255.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The MAFMC's Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Advisory Panel (AP) will meet jointly with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's (ASMFC) Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Advisory Panels. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss recent performance of the commercial and recreational fisheries for summer flounder, scup, and black sea bass. Council staff will work with the AP to write 2015 Fishery Performance Reports. The MAFMC and the ASMFC will consider the Fishery Performance Reports in August when setting fishery specifications (*i.e.* catch and landings limits and management measures) for 2016-18.

### Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aid should be directed to M. Jan Saunders, (302) 526-5251, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: May 26, 2015.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the