

Recovery Plan identifies actions needed to achieve recovery by improving population and habitat conditions and addressing threats to the species; links management actions to a research and monitoring program intended to fill data gaps and assess effectiveness of actions; incorporates an adaptive management framework by which management actions and other elements may evolve as we gain information through research and monitoring; and describes agency guidance on time lines for reviews of the status of species and recovery plans. To address threats related to the species, the Public Draft Recovery Plan references many of the significant efforts already underway to restore salmon and steelhead access to high quality habitat and to improve habitat previously degraded.

Recovery of CC Chinook salmon, and NC and CCC steelhead will require a long-term effort in cooperation and coordination with Federal, state, tribal and local government agencies, and the community. Consistent with the Recovery Plan, we will implement relevant actions for which we have authority, work cooperatively on implementation of other actions, and encourage other Federal and state agencies to implement recovery actions for which they have responsibility and authority.

In compliance with the requirements of the ESA section 4(f), NMFS is providing public notice and an opportunity to review and comment on the Public Draft Recovery Plan for CC Chinook salmon, and NC and CCC steelhead prior to its final approval.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*

Dated: November 25, 2015.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice; public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its

Observer Policy Committee meeting on Thursday, December 17, 2015 to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

**DATES:** This meeting will be held on Thursday, December 17, 2015 at 9 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Radisson Airport Hotel, 2081 Post Road, Warwick, RI 02886; telephone: (401) 739-3000; fax: (401) 732-9309.

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

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Agenda

The Observer Committee will focus its discussion on the omnibus alternatives in the Omnibus Industry-Funded Monitoring (IFM) Amendment. The Committee may receive a brief update on the revised economic analysis for herring and mackerel alternatives, only if the analysis is sufficiently complete before the meeting date.

Discussion topics include: To review/discuss omnibus alternatives in the IFM Amendment; review primary components to the omnibus alternatives, including standard cost responsibilities, administrative requirements for monitoring service providers, the framework adjustment process, and the prioritization process; review/discuss data utility considerations for observer/at-sea monitoring, portside sampling, and electronic monitoring; review/discuss revised cost assumptions for electronic monitoring and portside sampling; review/discuss the monitoring set-aside option in the IFM amendment. The Committee will also develop recommendations regarding the selection of preferred omnibus alternatives for the omnibus IFM amendment and possibly review revised economic analysis for herring and mackerel alternatives. The Committee may address other business as necessary.

##### Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, at (978) 465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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

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

**ACTION:** Notice; public hearing (webinar).

**SUMMARY:** The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a public hearing to solicit public comments on Electronic Reporting for For-Hire Vessels via webinar.

**DATES:** The webinar will be held Thursday, December 17, 2015, beginning at 6 p.m. and will conclude no later than 9 p.m. Written public comments must be received on or before 5 p.m. E.S.T., Friday, December 18, 2015.

**ADDRESSES:** The public documents can be obtained by contacting the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 N. Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607; telephone: (813) 348-1630 or on their Web site at [www.gulfcouncil.org](http://www.gulfcouncil.org).

*Meeting addresses:* The public hearing will be held via webinar. You may register at <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6492235001962146818>.

*Public comments:* Comments may be submitted online through the Gulf Council's public portal by visiting [www.gulfcouncil.org](http://www.gulfcouncil.org) and clicking on "CONTACT US".

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. John Froeschke, Fishery Biologist/Statistician, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 348-1630; fax: (813) 348-1711; email: [john.froeschke@gulfcouncil.org](mailto:john.froeschke@gulfcouncil.org)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Council is considering several changes that would require electronic reporting for the Reef Fish and Coastal Migratory Pelagic (CMP) species for the for-hire operators. The agenda for the public hearing/webinar is as follows: Council staff will brief the public on the proposed Amendment then Council staff will open the meeting for questions and public comments.