

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 12 to Friday, September 15, 2017, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Alaska Fishery Science Center Traynor Room 2076 and NMML Room 2079, 7600 Sand Point Way NE., Building 4, Seattle, WA 98115.

*Council address:* North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 W. 4th Ave., Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501-2252; telephone: (907) 271-2809.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Diana Stram or Jim Armstrong, Council staff; telephone: (907) 271-2809.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Agenda**

*Tuesday, September 12 to Friday September 15, 2017*

The Plan Teams will review the preliminary stock assessments for Groundfish and receive reports including but not limited to: 2017 Survey Estimates, CIE Reviews for GOA Pollock and BSAI Flatfish, and the Economic Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation (SAFE).

The Agenda is subject to change, and the latest version will be posted at <http://www.npfmc.org>.

**Special Accommodations**

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Shannon Gleason at (907) 271-2809 at least 7 working days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: August 22, 2017.

**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**

**RIN 0648-XF637**

**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 Skate

Advisory Panel 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 Tuesday, September 12, 2017 at 9:30 a.m.

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

*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 committee will discuss Plan Development Team analysis and draft Framework Adjustment 5 (FW 5) alternatives including updated status determinations for the Northeast Skate Complex, recommendations for the Skate Allowable Biological Catch (ABC), associated possession limits, and allowing the landing of barndoor skate as well as select preferred alternatives for FW 5. They will also discuss PDT analyses of limited access in the Northeast Skate FMP and recommendations for the Committee to consider for 2018 priorities for the Northeast Skate Complex FMP. The Council is scheduled to have an initial discussion of potential 2018 priorities at the September Council meeting. The committee discuss if there are any regulations in the Northeast Skate Complex FMP that could be eliminated, improved, or streamlined. Several recent Executive Orders have been issued about streamlining current regulations, and NOAA is seeking public input on the efficiency and effectiveness of current regulations and whether they can be improved. Other business will be discussed as necessary.

**Special Accommodations**

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. This meeting will be recorded. Consistent with 16 U.S.C. 1852, a copy of the recording is available upon request. 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.*

Dated: August 22, 2017.

**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**

**Membership of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Performance Review Board**

**AGENCY:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

**ACTION:** Notice of Membership of the NOAA Performance Review Board.

**SUMMARY:** NOAA announces the appointment of members who will serve on the NOAA Performance Review Board (PRB). The NOAA PRB is responsible for reviewing performance appraisals and ratings of Senior Executive Service (SES), Senior Level (SL), and Scientific and Professional (ST) members and making written recommendations to the appointing authority on retention and compensation matters, including performance-based pay adjustments, awarding of bonuses, and reviewing recommendations for potential Presidential Rank Award nominees. The appointment of members to the NOAA PRB will be for a period of two (2) years.

**DATES:** The effective date of service of the eight appointees to the NOAA Performance Review Board is September 30, 2017.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

James Triem, Director, Executive Resources Division, Workforce Management Office, NOAA, 1305 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910, (301) 713-6374.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The names and positions of the members for the 2017 NOAA PRB are set forth below:

- RDML Anita L. Lopez, Chair: Deputy Director for Operations, OMAO and Deputy Director, NOAA Corps, Office of Marine and Aviation Operations
- Christopher Cartwright, Co-Chair: Director, Budget Office, Office of the Chief Financial Officer
- Gordon T. Alston: Director, Financial Reporting And Internal Controls, U.S. Department of Commerce
- Sivaraj Shyam-Sunder, Senior Science Advisor to the Under Secretary of Commerce for Standards and Technology, U.S. Department of Commerce

- Albert B. Spencer: Chief Engineer, National Weather Service
- Deborah H. Lee: Director, Office of Great Lakes Environmental Research Laboratory, Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research
- Mary S. Wohlgenuth: Director, National Center for Environmental Information, National Environmental Satellite Data and Information Service
- Irene Parker: Assistant Chief Information Officer, National Environmental Satellite Data and Information Service
- Christopher Oliver: Assistant Administrator for Marine Fisheries, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- Julie Roberts: Director of Communications, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Dated: August 22, 2017.

**Ben Friedman,**

*Deputy Under Secretary for Operations, Performing the Duties of Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere and NOAA Administrator.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**RIN 0648-XF627**

**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 Herring Advisory Panel 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 Wednesday, September 13, 2017 at 10 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** *Meeting address:* The meeting will be held at the Four Points by Sheraton, 1 Audubon Road, Wakefield, MA 01880; telephone: (781) 245-9300.

*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 Advisory Panel will review analyses prepared for Amendment 8 Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). Measures include alternative Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC) control rules and measures to address potential localized depletion and user conflicts in the herring fishery. The panel may identify preferred alternatives for the Committee to consider the following day. They will also discuss recommendations for the Committee to consider for 2018 work priorities for the Herring Fishery Management Plan (FMP). The Council is scheduled to have an initial discussion of potential 2018 priorities at the September Council meeting. The panel will discuss if there are any regulations in the Herring FMP that could be eliminated, improved, or streamlined. Several recent Executive Orders have been issued about streamlining current regulations, and NOAA is seeking public input on the efficiency and effectiveness of current regulations and whether they can be improved. Other business will be discussed as necessary.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agenda may come before this group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Actions 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 Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

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

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**Tracey L. Thompson,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**RIN 0648-XF639**

**Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Public Meeting**

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

**ACTION:** Notice; public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Science and Statistical Committee (SSC) of the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council's (Council) will hold a meeting.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 13, 2017, from 9 a.m. through 4 p.m. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for agenda details.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will take place at the Royal Sonesta Harbor Court Baltimore, 550 Light Street, Baltimore, MD 21202; telephone: (410) 234-0550.

*Council address:* Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N. State Street, Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674-2331; Web site: [www.mafmc.org](http://www.mafmc.org).

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

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of this meeting is to review the currently implemented 2018-19 fishing year ABC for spiny dogfish based on the most recent fishery and survey data. The SSC will also review the OFL Working Group progress and recommendations regarding decision rules for specifying the CV of the OFL distribution. In addition, the SSC will review recent work conducted to evaluate the Council's current and alternative ABC control rules.

A detailed agenda and background documents will be made available on the Council's Web site ([www.mafmc.org](http://www.mafmc.org)) prior to the meeting.

**Special Accommodations**

These meetings are 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.