

State (the State Department), appoints a General Advisory Committee (GAC) to the U.S. Section to the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) and a Scientific Advisory Subcommittee (SAS) that advises the GAC. The U.S. Section consists of the four U.S. Commissioners to the IATTC and representatives of the State Department, NOAA, Department of Commerce, other U.S. Government agencies, and stakeholders. The purpose of the GAC shall be to advise the U.S. Section with respect to U.S. participation in the work of the IATTC, with particular reference to development of U.S. policies, positions, and negotiating tactics. The purpose of the SAS is to advise the GAC on matters of science. NMFS West Coast Region staff provide administrative support for the GAC and SAS. The meetings of the GAC and SAS shall be open to the public, unless in executive session. The time and manner of public comment will be at the discretion of the chairs for the GAC and SAS.

The 93rd meeting of the IATTC, the 37th Meeting of the Parties to the Agreement on the International Dolphin Conservation Program (AIDCP), and working group meetings for both the IATTC and AIDCP will be held from August 16 to August 30, 2018 in Guatemala. For more information on these meetings, please visit the IATTC's website: <https://www.iattc.org/MeetingsENG.htm>.

#### GAC and SAS Meeting Topics

The SAS meeting topics will include, but are not limited to, the following:

(1) Outcomes of the 2018 meeting of the Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) to the IATTC (*e.g.*, stock status updates for tuna, tuna-like species, and other species caught in association with those fisheries in the eastern Pacific Ocean);

(2) Evaluation of the IATTC staff's recommended conservation measures for 2018;

(3) Issues related to the impact of fishing on non-target species, such as sharks, seabirds, sea turtles;

(4) Evaluation of U.S. proposals for the 93rd meeting of the IATTC and proposals from other IATTC members; and

(5) Other issues as they arise.

The GAC meeting topics will include, but are not limited to, the following:

(1) Outcomes of the 2018 meeting of the SAC to the IATTC (*e.g.*, stock status updates for tuna, tuna-like species, and other species caught in association with those fisheries in the eastern Pacific Ocean);

(2) Recommendations and evaluations by the SAS;

(3) Issues related to the impact of fishing on non-target species, such as sharks, seabirds, sea turtles;

(4) Formulation of advice on issues that may arise at the 93rd meeting of the IATTC, including the IATTC staff's recommended conservation measures, U.S. proposals, and proposals from other IATTC members; and

(5) Other issues as they arise.

#### Special Accommodations

The meeting location is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Taylor Debevec (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) by June 12, 2018.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Fisheries of the South Atlantic; South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of meetings of the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council's Citizen Science Advisory Panel Action Teams.

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold meetings of the following Citizen Science Advisory Panel Action Teams: Volunteers; Communication/Outreach/Education; Projects/Topics Management; and Data Management via webinar.

**DATES:** The Volunteers Team meeting will be held on Monday, March 26, 2018 at 1 p.m.; Communication/Outreach/Education Team on Wednesday, March 28, 2018 at 10 a.m.; Projects/Topics Management Team will be held on Thursday, March 29, 2018 at 2 p.m.; and Data Management Team on Friday, March 30, 2018 at 10 a.m. Each meeting is scheduled to last approximately 90

minutes. Additional Action Team webinar and plenary webinar dates and times will publish in a subsequent issue in the **Federal Register**.

#### ADDRESSES:

**Meeting address:** The meetings will be held via webinar and are open to members of the public. Webinar registration is required and registration links will be posted to the Citizen Science program page of the Council's website at [www.safmc.net](http://www.safmc.net).

**Council address:** South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N Charleston, SC 29405.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Council created a Citizen Science Advisory Panel Pool in June 2017. The Council appointed members of the Citizen Science Advisory Panel Pool to five Action Teams in the areas of Volunteers, Data Management, Projects/Topics Management, Finance, and Communication/Outreach/Education to develop program policies and operations for the Council's Citizen Science Program.

Each Action Team will meet to continue work on developing recommendations on program policies and operations to be reviewed by the Council's Citizen Science Committee. Public comment will be accepted at the beginning of the meeting.

Items to be addressed during these meetings:

1. Discuss work on tasks in the Terms of Reference
2. Other Business

#### Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (see **ADDRESSES**) 3 days prior to the meeting.

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

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