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Electronic copies of the application may be obtained from the Southeast Regional Office website at <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/southeast/commercial-fishing/experimental-shrimp-trawl-bycatch-reduction-device>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Frank Helies, 727-824-5305; email: [frank.helies@noaa.gov](mailto:frank.helies@noaa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The EFP is requested under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), and regulations at 50 CFR 600.745(b) concerning exempted fishing.

The EFP application submitted to NMFS involves the use of experimental gear in Federal waters. Federal regulations require most shrimp vessels to use NMFS approved bycatch reduction devices (BRD) while shrimp trawling in Federal waters in the Gulf (50 CFR 622.53). The EFP would exempt seven vessels from the BRD requirement to allow the applicant to replace an existing approved BRD with the experimental BRD.

The primary goal of the project is to solicit industry feedback on the Nested Cylinder BRD (NCBRD) to determine whether to seek certification by NMFS and market this new type of BRD to the shrimp industry. The NCBRD has been in development since 2015, with the research work funded through NMFS grant programs. The NCBRD exploits the natural tendency for fish to swim up current and to take refuge in reduced flow areas created by the device. The NCBRD is sewn into the trawl "bag" downstream of the turtle excluder device (TED). The NCBRD is constructed with a continuous flow-blocking collar made of galvanized steel or marine grade aluminum, which creates a region of reduced flow that attracts fish. This reduced flow area is adjacent to large mesh netting (11.5 cm square) that encircles the NCBRD to create escape openings and provides the

opportunity for fish to exit the trawl. The webbing extension on the front of the NCBRD measures 120 meshes in circumference, four meshes in length, where the mesh in place is 41 mm stretch mesh. A 40-inch (104-cm) long webbing "funnel" connects to the inner cylinder of the NCBRD and is 60 meshes in circumference, 26 meshes in length, and uses 41 mm stretch mesh. The funnel displaces all organisms downstream of the escape opening such that the fish must swim upstream into the flow "shadow" to exit the trawl. Two floats attached to the top of the device provide flotation to prevent scuffing of the gear on the ocean bottom.

Since 2015, the NCBRD has been used on a variety of Gulf and South Atlantic commercial shrimp vessels contracted for research evaluation in Federal waters. Successful NMFS at-sea NCBRD certification trials were completed in December 2016, as prescribed in the BRD Testing Protocol Manual (81 FR 95056, December 27, 2016). Under this EFP, an existing certified BRD on seven Gulf shrimp vessels would be replaced with the NCBRD in one outboard net during normal fishing operations. This will allow for comparison between the different BRDs. The applicant intends to obtain opinions, comments, and suggestions from Gulf shrimpers that might encourage them to use the device. To ensure proper use of the NCBRD, the applicant would make site visits to each participant to demonstrate proper installation in the trawl and request shrimpers use the device for at least 30 trawls during normal fishing operations. All trawling would be conducted in the northern Gulf shrimp grounds offshore of Alabama, Louisiana, Mississippi, and Texas. Depths typically range from a few meters out to approximately 65 meters. Tow times would be no less than 1 hour in duration. All shrimp trawlers would still be required to comply with the TED regulations at 50 CFR 223.206(d)(2).

The applicant has requested the EFP be effective for one year from the date of issuance.

NMFS finds the application warrants further consideration based on a preliminary review. Possible conditions the agency may impose on the permit, if granted, include but are not limited to, a prohibition on conducting activities within marine protected areas, marine sanctuaries, special management zones, or areas where they might interfere with managed fisheries without additional authorization. A final decision on issuance of the EFP will depend on NMFS' review of public comments received on the application, consultations with the appropriate

fishery management agencies of the affected states, Councils, and the U.S. Coast Guard, and a determination that the activities to be taken under the EFP are consistent with all applicable laws and regulations.

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

Dated: May 28, 2019.

**Jennifer M. Wallace,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XH053

#### 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 Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a meeting to get public feedback on the Saltonstall-Kennedy Grant Program.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Friday, June 14, 2019 at 10:30 a.m. For agenda details, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held via webinar, and a link will be posted to the Council's website:

[www.mafmc.org](http://www.mafmc.org).

*Council address:* Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N. State Street, Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674-2331 or on their website at [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 obtain public feedback and recommendations from fishing community constituents on ways to improve communications, dissemination, and utilization of results achieved through projects funded by the Saltonstall-Kennedy (S-K) Grant Program. Each year, S-K awards approximately \$10 million to fisheries research and development projects (up to \$300,000 per project). These projects are selected based on criteria used to determine how well they address the needs of fishing communities,

demonstrate direct benefits to U.S. fishing industries (including both commercial and recreational fisheries), and involve fishing community participation.

#### 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 any meeting date.

Dated: May 28, 2019.

#### Rey Israel Marquez,

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Fisheries of the Gulf of Mexico; Southeast Data, Assessment, and Review (SEDAR); Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of SEDAR 62 Assessment Webinar I for Gulf of Mexico gray triggerfish.

**SUMMARY:** The SEDAR 62 stock assessment process for Gulf of Mexico gray triggerfish will consist of an In-person Workshop, and a series of data and assessment webinars. See

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

**DATES:** The SEDAR 62 Assessment Webinar I will be held June 20, 2019, from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m. Eastern Time.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held via webinar. The webinar is open to members of the public. Those interested in participating should contact Julie A. Neer at SEDAR (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) to request an invitation providing webinar access information. Please request webinar invitations at least 24 hours in advance of each webinar.

*SEDAR address:* 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, North Charleston, SC 29405.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Julie A. Neer, SEDAR Coordinator; (843) 571-4366; email: [Julie.neer@safmc.net](mailto:Julie.neer@safmc.net).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils, in conjunction with NOAA

Fisheries and the Atlantic and Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commissions have implemented the Southeast Data, Assessment and Review (SEDAR) process, a multi-step method for determining the status of fish stocks in the Southeast Region. SEDAR is a multi-step process including: (1) Data Workshop, (2) a series of assessment webinars, and (3) A Review Workshop. The product of the Data Workshop is a report that compiles and evaluates potential datasets and recommends which datasets are appropriate for assessment analyses. The assessment webinars produce a report that describes the fisheries, evaluates the status of the stock, estimates biological benchmarks, projects future population conditions, and recommends research and monitoring needs. The product of the Review Workshop is an Assessment Summary documenting panel opinions regarding the strengths and weaknesses of the stock assessment and input data. Participants for SEDAR Workshops are appointed by the Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils and NOAA Fisheries Southeast Regional Office, HMS Management Division, and Southeast Fisheries Science Center. Participants include data collectors and database managers; stock assessment scientists, biologists, and researchers; constituency representatives including fishermen, environmentalists, and NGO's; International experts; and staff of Councils, Commissions, and state and federal agencies.

The items of discussion during the Assessment Webinar are as follows:

1. Using datasets and initial assessment analysis recommended from the in-person workshop, panelists will employ assessment models to evaluate stock status, estimate population benchmarks and management criteria, and project future conditions.
2. Participants will recommend the most appropriate methods and configurations for determining stock status and estimating population parameters.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified 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 intent to take final action to address the emergency.

#### Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 business days prior to each workshop.

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

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

Dated: May 28, 2019.

#### Rey Israel Marquez,

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

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## COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS

### Notice of Meeting

The next meeting of the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts is scheduled for 20 June 2019, at 9:00 a.m. in the Commission offices at the National Building Museum, Suite 312, Judiciary Square, 401 F Street NW, Washington, DC 20001-2728. Items of discussion may include buildings, parks and memorials.

Draft agendas and additional information regarding the Commission are available on our website: [www.cfa.gov](http://www.cfa.gov). Inquiries regarding the agenda and requests to submit written or oral statements should be addressed to Thomas Luebke, Secretary, U.S. Commission of Fine Arts, at the above address; by emailing [cfastaff@cfa.gov](mailto:cfastaff@cfa.gov); or by calling 202-504-2200. Individuals requiring sign language interpretation for the hearing impaired should contact the Secretary at least 10 days before the meeting date.

Dated May 17, 2019 in Washington DC.

#### Thomas Luebke,

*Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DOD-2019-OS-0064]

#### Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

**AGENCY:** Defense Logistics Agency, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice of a modified system of records.

**SUMMARY:** The Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) is proposing to modify the system