

**SUMMARY:** The Office of National Marine Sanctuaries (ONMS) of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) is requesting written comments to facilitate ONMS review of the nomination for Chumash Heritage National Marine Sanctuary (CHNMS). NOAA is requesting relevant information as it pertains to the 11 national significance criteria and management considerations that NOAA applied to evaluate the CHNMS nomination for inclusion in the national inventory of areas that NOAA may consider for future designation as a national marine sanctuary. Particular attention will be given to new scientific information about the national significance of natural and cultural resources, as well as increases or decreases in the threats to resources originally proposed for protection, and changes to the management framework of the area. NOAA will also assess the level of community-based support for the nomination from a broad range of interests. NOAA has provided the original nominating party, the Northern Chumash Tribal Council, an opportunity to share its views on these same questions. Subsequent to the information gathering and internal analysis, the ONMS Director will make a final determination on whether or not the CHNMS nomination will remain in the inventory prior to the five-year anniversary of accepting the nomination, October 5, 2020.

**DATES:** NOAA will conduct a virtual meeting to explain the review process to the public and accept information orally from speakers during the virtual meeting. The meeting will be conducted on Wednesday May 27, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. PT. For more information regarding how to participate in the public meeting and the CHNMS nomination go to <https://nominate.noaa.gov>. Written comments must be received by June 15, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** Comments may be submitted by the following method:

*Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <https://www.regulations.gov>. Submit electronic comments via the Federal eRulemaking Portal with Docket Number NOAA-NOS-2020-0063.

*Instructions:* All comments received are a part of the public record. All personal identifying information (for example, name, address, etc.) voluntarily submitted by the commenter may be publicly accessible. Do not submit confidential business information or otherwise sensitive or protected information. NOAA will accept anonymous comments (enter

N/A in the required fields to remain anonymous).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** William Douros Regional Director, ONMS West Coast Region, 99 Pacific Street, Bldg. 100F, Monterey, CA 93940, or at [william.douros@noaa.gov](mailto:william.douros@noaa.gov), or 831-647-6452.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Background Information**

In 2014, NOAA issued a final rule establishing the sanctuary nomination process (SNP), a process by which communities may submit nominations of areas of the marine and Great Lakes environment for NOAA to consider for designation as a national marine sanctuary (79 FR 33851). The final rule establishing the SNP included a five-year limit on any nomination added to the inventory that NOAA does not advance for designation. In November 2019, NOAA issued a notice (84 FR 61546) to clarify procedures for evaluating and updating a nomination as it approaches the five-year mark. The clarified procedure ensures the inventory contains nominations that remain relevant and responsive to the 11 SNP national significance criteria and management considerations (“SNP Criteria”). The 11 SNP Criteria can be found at <https://nominate.noaa.gov>.

The nomination for CHNMS was accepted to the national inventory on October 5, 2015, and is therefore scheduled to expire in October 2020. NOAA is not proposing to designate CHNMS or any other any new national marine sanctuary with this action. Accordingly, written comments submitted as part of this request should not focus on whether NOAA should initiate the designation process for CHNMS. Rather comments should address the relevance of the nomination towards the SNP Criteria and any new information NOAA should consider about the nominated area. Comments that do not address the SNP Criteria and new information NOAA should evaluate will not be considered in determining whether to extend the CHNMS nomination for another five years.

The process to update a nomination about to expire at the five-year mark includes the following steps:

1. ONMS notifies the nominating party at about the four and a half-year mark to give the nominating party an opportunity to provide updates of the nominated area’s relevance to the SNP Criteria.

2. ONMS staff works with partners and the public to gather information on the nomination’s relevance to the SNP Criteria. Given our inability to host

public gatherings at this time, NOAA has chosen to host a virtual public meeting and request written comments to gather new information on the CHNMS nomination.

3. ONMS staff reviews information received from the original nominating party, partners, the public and other relevant sources against the SNP Criteria to assess if the nomination is still accurate and relevant.

4. ONMS staff produce a brief synopsis report to the ONMS Director, presenting an analysis of information that has been collected, and a recommendation regarding maintaining the nomination in the inventory, or removing it once the five-year anniversary is reached.

Whether removing or maintaining the nomination for CHNMS, NOAA would follow the same procedure for notifying the public as was followed when the nomination was submitted, including a letter to the nominator, a notice in the **Federal Register**, and posting information on “[nominate.noaa.gov](https://nominate.noaa.gov)”.

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

**John Armor,**

*Director, Office of National Marine Sanctuaries, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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**Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee; Charter Renewal**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of renewed charter.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given of the 2-year renewed charter for the Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee (MAFAC), signed on April 12, 2020.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Heidi Lovett, Assistant Federal Program Officer, MAFAC, 301-427-8034; email [heidi.lovett@noaa.gov](mailto:heidi.lovett@noaa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** As required by section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1982), and after consultation with the General Services Administration, the Secretary of Commerce has determined that the renewal of the charter for MAFAC is in

the public interest. MAFAC was established by the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) on February 17, 1972, to advise the Secretary on all living marine resource matters that are the responsibility of the Department of Commerce. This Committee advises and reviews the adequacy of living marine resources policies and programs to meet the needs of commercial and recreational fisheries, aquaculture, environmental, consumer, academic, tribal, governmental, and other national interests. The Committee's charter must be renewed every 2 years from the date of the last renewal.

The Committee will function solely as an advisory body and in compliance with provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Copies of the Committee's revised Charter have been filed with the appropriate committees of the Congress and with the Library of Congress. The charter can be accessed online at <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/national/partners/marine-fisheries-advisory-committee-charter>.

Dated: April 24, 2020.

**Jennifer L. Lukens,**

*Federal Program Officer, Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public online meeting.

**SUMMARY:** As part of its Climate and Communities Initiative (CCI) the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) is sponsoring a series of webinars with its advisory bodies, which are open to the public.

**DATES:** The webinars will be held on the following dates and times:

- *Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel and Management Team:* Wednesday, May 20, 2020, 1:30–4:30 p.m.

- *Scientific and Statistical Committee:* Tuesday, May 26, 2020, 1:30–4:30 p.m.

- *Groundfish Advisory Subpanel and Management Team:* Thursday, May 28, 2020, 1:30–4:30 p.m.

- *Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel and Management Team:*

Monday, June 1, 2020, 1:30–4:30 p.m.

- *Salmon Advisory Subpanel and Technical Team:* Tuesday, June 2, 2020, 1:30–4:30 p.m.

- *Habitat Committee:* Friday, June 5, 2020, 9 a.m.–12 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** This meeting will be held online. Specific meeting information, including directions on how to join the meeting and system requirements will be provided in the meeting announcement on the Council's website (see [www.pcouncil.org](http://www.pcouncil.org)). You may send an email to Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt ([kris.kleinschmidt@noaa.gov](mailto:kris.kleinschmidt@noaa.gov)) or contact him at (503) 820-2280, extension 412 for technical assistance.

*Council address:* Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220-1384.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kit Dahl, Staff Officer, Pacific Council; telephone: (503) 820-2422.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Council's Climate and Communities Core Team (CCCT) is coordinating a scenario planning process to explore potential fisheries management challenges under climate variability and change. During a two-day scenario development workshop in January 2020, more than 70 participants, including representatives from each of the Council's advisory bodies, developed four scenarios to be used in a stakeholder driven strategic planning process. This is designed to meet the CCI goal to consider strategies for improving the flexibility and responsiveness of our management actions to near-term climate shift and long-term climate change, and strategies for increasing the resiliency of our managed stocks and fisheries to those changes. The CCCT is now enhancing the clarity of descriptions for each of the four scenarios (also referred to as 'deepening' the scenarios). The purpose of this webinar series is to solicit input from the Council's advisory bodies on how possible future conditions described in each of these scenarios might affect the species and fisheries managed under the Council's fishery management plans.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may be discussed, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any issues arising after publication of this document 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

Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt ([kris.kleinschmidt@noaa.gov](mailto:kris.kleinschmidt@noaa.gov); (503) 820-2412) at least 10 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: April 29, 2020.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

### Applications for New Awards; Education Research and Special Education Research Grant Programs

**AGENCY:** Institute of Education Sciences, Department of Education.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Education (Department) is issuing a notice inviting applications for new awards for fiscal year (FY) 2021 for the Education Research and Special Education Research Grant Programs, Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) numbers 84.305A, 84.305B, 84.305C, 84.305R, 84.324A, 84.324B, 84.324P, and 84.324R. This notice relates to the approved information collection under OMB control number 4040-0001.

**DATES:** The dates when applications are available and the deadlines for transmittal of applications invited under this notice are indicated in the chart at the end of this notice and in the Requests for Applications (RFAs) that are posted at the following website: <https://ies.ed.gov/funding>.

**ADDRESSES:** For the addresses for obtaining and submitting an application, please refer to our Common Instructions for Applicants to Department of Education Discretionary Grant Programs, published in the **Federal Register** on February 13, 2019 (84 FR 3768) and available at [www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2019-02-13/pdf/2019-02206.pdf](http://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2019-02-13/pdf/2019-02206.pdf).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** The contact person associated with a particular research competition is listed in the chart at the end of this notice, as well as in the relevant RFA and application package.