

(Magnuson-Stevens Act). This action is necessary for NMFS to make a determination that the permit application can be approved.

DATES: Written comments must be received by July 1, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on this action, identified by RTID 0648–XQ011 should be sent to Kent Laborde in the NMFS Office for International Affairs and Seafood Inspection by email at kent.laborde@noaa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kent Laborde at (301) 427–8364 or by email at kent.laborde@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Section 204(d) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act (16 U.S.C. 1824(d)) authorizes the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) to issue a transshipment permit authorizing a vessel other than a vessel of the United States to engage in fishing consisting solely of transporting fish or fish products at sea from a point within the United States Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) or, with the concurrence of a state, within the boundaries of that state, to a point outside the United States.

Section 204(d)(3)(D) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act provides that an application to transship from U.S. waters to another country using non-U.S. vessels may not be approved until the Secretary determines that “no owner or operator of a vessel of the United States which has adequate capacity to perform the transportation for which the application is submitted has indicated . . . an interest in performing the transportation at fair and reasonable rates.” NMFS is publishing this notice as part of its effort to make such a determination with respect to the application described below and specifically seeks comment from any owner or operator of a vessel of the United States, which has

adequate capacity to perform the transportation of fish described below at fair and reasonable prices.

Summary of Application

NMFS received an application from True North Salmon Limited Partnership and 697002 NB, Inc., requesting authorization to transfer salmon from United States farm pens in Maine to four Canadian vessels for the purpose of transporting the salmon to Black’s Harbour, Canada for processing.

The transshipment operations will occur within the boundaries of the State of Maine and within 12 nautical miles from Maine’s seaward boundary.

Dated: June 11, 2020.

Alexa Cole,

Director, Office of International Affairs and Seafood Inspection, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648–XG233]

Management Track Assessment for Atlantic Herring, Butterfish, Atlantic Surf Clam, and Longfin Inshore Squid Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: NMFS and the Assessment Oversight Panel will convene the Management Track Assessment Peer Review Meeting for the purpose of reviewing Atlantic Herring, Butterfish, Atlantic Surf Clam, and Longfin Inshore Squid. The Management Track

Assessment Peer Review is a formal scientific peer-review process for evaluating and presenting stock assessment results to managers for fish stocks in the offshore U.S. waters of the northwest Atlantic. Assessments are prepared by Stock Assessment Workshop (SAW) working groups and reviewed by an independent panel of stock assessment experts called the Assessment Oversight Panel (AOP). The public is invited to attend the presentations and discussions between the review panel and the scientists who have participated in the stock assessment process.

DATES: The public portion of the Management Track Assessment Peer Review Meeting will be held from June 22, 2020–June 25, 2020. The meeting will commence on June 25, 2020 at 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. Please see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for the daily meeting agenda.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held via Google Meet (<https://meet.google.com/rcy-uvy-g-dd>).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michele Traver, 508–495–2195; email: michele.traver@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For further information, please visit the NEFSC website at <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/region/new-england-mid-atlantic>. For additional information about the AOP meeting and the stock assessment peer review, please visit the NMFS/NEFSC SAW web page at <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/new-england-mid-atlantic/population-assessments/northeast-region-stock-assessment-process>.

Daily Meeting Agenda—Management Track Peer Review Meeting (Subject To Change; All Times Are Approximate and May Be Changed at the Discretion of the Peer Review Chair)

MONDAY, JUNE 22, 2020

Time	Activity	Lead
10 a.m.–10:15 a.m	Welcome/Logistics; Introductions/Process	Russ Brown/Michele Traver.
10:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m	Atlantic Herring	Jon Deroba.
12:15 p.m.–1:15 p.m	Lunch.	
1:15 p.m.–1:45 p.m	Review/Discussion/Summary	Review Panel.
1:45 p.m.–3:15 p.m	Butterfish	Charles Adams.
3:15 p.m.–3:30 p.m	Break.	
3:30 p.m.–4 p.m	Review/Discussion/Summary	Review Panel.
4 p.m.–4:15 p.m	Public Comment	Public.
4:15 p.m	Adjourn.	

TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2020

Time	Activity	Lead
9 a.m.–9:15 a.m	Brief Overview and Logistics	Michele Traver/Mike Wilberg (Chair).

TUESDAY, JUNE 23, 2020—Continued

Time	Activity	Lead
9:15 a.m.–10:45 a.m	Atlantic Surf Clam	Dan Hennen.
10:45 a.m.–11 a.m	Break.	
11 a.m.–12 p.m	Atlantic Surf Clam cont.	Dan Hennen.
12 p.m.–1 p.m	Lunch.	
1 p.m.–1:30 p.m	Review/Discussion/Summary	Review Panel.
1:30 p.m.–3 p.m	Longfin Inshore Squid (<i>Doryteuthis</i>)	Lisa Hendrickson.
3 p.m.–3:15 p.m	Break.	
3:15 p.m.–4 p.m	Longfin Inshore Squid (<i>Doryteuthis</i>) cont.	Lisa Hendrickson.
4 p.m.–4:30 p.m	Review/Discussion/Summary	Review Panel.
4:30 p.m.–4:45 p.m	Public Comment	Public.
4:45 p.m	Adjourn.	

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24, 2020

Time	Activity	Lead
9 a.m.–9:15 a.m	Brief Overview and logistics	Michele Traver/Mike Wilberg (Chair).
9:15 a.m.–10:15 a.m	Meeting Wrap Up/Discussion of Key Topics ...	Review Panel.
10:15 a.m.–10:30 a.m	Public Comment	Public.
10:30 a.m.–10:45 a.m	Break.	
10:45 a.m.–12 p.m	Report Writing	Review Panel.
12 p.m.–1 p.m	Lunch.	
1:05 p.m.–5 p.m	Report Writing	Review Panel.
5 p.m	Adjourn.	

THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 2020

Time	Activity	Lead
9 a.m.–5 p.m	Report Writing	Review Panel.

The meeting is open to the public; however, during the 'Report Writing' session on Wednesday, June 23rd, and Thursday, June 24th, the public should not engage in discussion with the Peer Review Panel.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Special requests should be directed to Michele Traver, 508–495–2195, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: June 12, 2020.

Hélène M.N. Scalliet,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

[RTID 0648–XA159]

Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Marine Site Characterization Surveys Off of Coastal Virginia

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

ACTION: Notice; proposed incidental harassment authorization; request for comments on proposed authorization and possible Renewal.

SUMMARY: NMFS has received a request from Dominion Energy Virginia (Dominion) for authorization to take marine mammals incidental to marine site characterization surveys in the areas of the Commercial Lease of Submerged Lands for Renewable Energy Development on the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS) Offshore Virginia (Lease No. OCS–A–0483) as well as in coastal waters where an export cable corridor will be established in support of the Coastal Virginia Offshore Wind

Commercial (CVOW Commercial) Project. Pursuant to the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA), NMFS is requesting comments on its proposal to issue an incidental harassment authorization (IHA) to incidentally take marine mammals during the specified activities. NMFS is also requesting comments on a possible one-year renewal that could be issued under certain circumstances and if all requirements are met, as described in Request for Public Comments at the end of this notice. NMFS will consider public comments prior to making any final decision on the issuance of the requested MMPA authorizations and agency responses will be summarized in the final notice of our decision.

DATES: Comments and information must be received no later than July 17, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Jolie Harrison, Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service. Physical comments should be sent to 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910 and electronic comments should be sent to ITP.pauline@noaa.gov.

Instructions: NMFS is not responsible for comments sent by any other method, to any other address or individual, or