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Schedule and Agenda for the Mariana Archipelago FEP–CNMI AP Meeting

Saturday, September 5, 2020, 9 a.m.–11 a.m.

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Review of the last AP meeting and recommendations
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Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, (808) 522–8220 (voice) or (808) 522–8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: August 7, 2020.

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

[RTID 0648–XA354]

South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a meeting of the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) Ecopath Model Review Workgroup.

DATES: The SSC Ecopath Model Review Workgroup meeting will be conducted via webinar on Thursday, August 27, 2020, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES:

Meeting address: The meeting will be held via webinar.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kim Iverson, Public Information Officer, SAFMC; phone: (843) 571–4366 or toll free: (866) SAFMC–10; fax: (843) 769–4520; email: kim.iverson@safmc.net.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The SSC Ecopath Model Review Workgroup meeting is open to the public and will be available via webinar as it occurs. Registration is required. Webinar registration information and other meeting materials will be posted to the Council's website at: <https://safmc.net/safmc-meetings/other-meetings/> as it becomes available.

During the meeting, the Workgroup will be provided a more detailed update on Ecopath model refinement and analyses, discuss model review timing and process, vulnerability analyses, Terms of References responses, and recommendations for SSC consideration.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is 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.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648–XA336]

Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Meeting of the Atlantic Highly Migratory Species Advisory Panel

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

ACTION: Notice of public webinar/conference call.

SUMMARY: NMFS will hold a 2-day Atlantic Highly Migratory Species (HMS) Advisory Panel (AP) meeting via webinar in September 2020. The intent of the meeting is to consider options for the conservation and management of Atlantic HMS. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The AP meeting and webinar will be held from 8:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 9, 2020, and from 8:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 10, 2020.

ADDRESSES: The meeting on Wednesday, September 9, and Thursday, September 10, will be accessible via conference call and webinar. Conference call and webinar access information are available at: <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/event/september-2020-hms-advisory-panel-meeting>.

Participants are strongly encouraged to log/dial in 15 minutes prior to the meeting. NMFS will show the presentations via webinar and allow public comment during identified times on the agenda.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Peter Cooper at (301) 427–8503.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*, as amended by the Sustainable Fisheries Act, Public Law 104–297, provided for the establishment of an AP to assist in the collection and evaluation of information relevant to the development of any FMP or FMP amendment for Atlantic HMS. NMFS consults with and considers the comments and views of AP members when preparing and implementing FMPs or FMP amendments for Atlantic

tunas, swordfish, billfish, and sharks. The AP has previously consulted with NMFS on all Atlantic HMS FMPs and FMP amendments since the inception of the AP in 1998.

The intent of this meeting is to consider alternatives for the conservation and management of all Atlantic tunas, swordfish, billfish, and shark fisheries. We anticipate discussing:

- Draft Amendment 12, which would update the 2006 Consolidated HMS FMP using revised National Standard guidelines;
- Updates on Atlantic shark fisheries and Amendment 14;
- Updates on the bluefin tuna fishery and Amendment 13 (bluefin tuna); and
- Updates on ecosystem modeling in Atlantic HMS fisheries.

We also anticipate inviting other NMFS offices and the United States Coast Guard, if available, to provide updates on their activities relevant to HMS fisheries.

Additional information on the meeting and a copy of the draft agenda will be posted prior to the meeting at: <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/event/september-2020-hms-advisory-panel-meeting>.

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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

[RTID 0648-XA366]

New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Herring Committee via webinar 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 webinar will be held on Thursday, August 27, 2020 at 9.30 a.m. Webinar registration URL information:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5718649445112607758>.

ADDRESSES: 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 review results of the 2020 management track assessment for Atlantic herring. They will also continue development of Framework 8 to the Atlantic Herring Fishery Management Plan and review preliminary analyses. Framework 8 is considering fishery specifications for fishing years 2021-23 and adjusting measures in the herring plan that potentially inhibit the mackerel fishery from achieving optimum yield. Other business will be discussed as necessary.

Although non-emergency issues not contained on the agenda may come before this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Council action 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 Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency. The public also should be aware that the meeting will be recorded. Consistent with 16 U.S.C. 1852, a copy of the recording is available upon request.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. 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.*

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Tracey L. Thompson,

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648-XA367]

New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of a public hearing.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council is convening a public hearing of Draft Amendment 23 to Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). This hearing may be held either in-person as an outdoor gathering or via webinar. Details of the hearing will be provided on the Council's website at <https://www.nefmc.org/calendar/aug-26-2020-public-hearing-groundfish-amendment-23>. A summary of all comments received will be provided to the full Council.

DATES: This hearing will be held on Wednesday, August 26, 2020, between 3 p.m.-8 p.m.

ADDRESSES: This hearing may be held either in-person as an outdoor gathering in the Greater Boston area or via webinar. The decision to hold the hearing as an outdoor in-person gathering will be based on COVID-19 pandemic guidance as determined by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and other factors as determined by the Executive Director in consultation with the Council Chair.

Meeting addresses: The meeting will be held via webinar or in-person as an outdoor gathering. Should the hearing be planned as in-person, details on the location, as well as meeting guidelines and public safety requirements, will be provided on the Council's website. Because of state-mandated limits on the size of outdoor gatherings, in-person meeting attendees may be asked to register in advance and may be assigned to a specific time slot. If a planned in-person meeting has to be cancelled due to adverse weather or other conditions, a webinar hearing will be held in its place.

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.