

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held by web conference via WebEx. Audio and visual portions for all of the web conferences can be accessed at: <https://wprfmc.webex.com/wprfmc/onstage/g.php?MTID=e3e70e10f64290c1a9428b8175c2627d2>. Web conference access information and instructions for providing public comments will be posted on the Council website at [www.wpcouncil.org](http://www.wpcouncil.org). For assistance with the web conference connection, contact the Council office at (808) 552-8220.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director, Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: (808) 552-8220.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

The Intersessional FDCRC meeting will be held on January 21, 2021, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Hawaii Standard Time (HST) (noon to 4 p.m. Samoa Standard Time (SST); 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on January 22, 2021, Chamorro Standard Time (ChST)). Opportunities to present oral public comment will be provided at the end of the agenda. The order of the agenda may change, and will be announced in advance at the meetings. The meetings may run past the scheduled times noted above to complete scheduled business.

**Schedule and Agenda for the APT Meeting**

Thursday, January 21, 2021, 1 p.m.–5 p.m.

1. Welcome remarks and introductions
2. Round robin updates on impacts of COVID on data collection
3. Data collection improvement updates
  - A. Status of mandatory license and reporting regulations development and implementation
1. Guam
2. Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
3. American Samoa
  - B. Implementation of the Catchit-Logit electronic reporting
  - C. Pacific Island Fishery Science Center fishery-dependent data collection improvements
4. Discussion on addressing the 2019 Pacific Islands Fishery Monitoring and Assessment Planning Summit recommendations
  - A. Moving towards electronic self-reporting
  - B. Moving creel surveys to Marine Recreational Information Program
  - C. Moving towards electronic technologies for the market sampling
  - D. Improved data collection coordination and effective outreach and communication
5. Strategic planning session for the FDCRC Technical Committee

6. Public Comment
7. Other business
8. Discussions and recommendations

**Special Accommodations**

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, (808) 552-8220 (voice) or (808) 552-8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: January 4, 2021.

**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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**Endangered and Threatened Species; Notice of Initiation of a 5-Year Review of Indo-Pacific Reef-building Corals**

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

**ACTION:** Notice; request for information.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS announces the initiation of a 5-year review for 15 Indo-Pacific reef-building corals (*Acropora globiceps*, *Acropora jacquelineae*, *Acropora lokani*, *Acropora pharaonis*, *Acropora retusa*, *Acropora rudis*, *Acropora speciosa*, *Acropora tenella*, *Anacropora spinosa*, *Euphyllia paradivisa*, *Isopora crateriformis*, *Montipora australiensis*, *Pavona diffluens*, *Porites napopora*, and *Seriatopora aculeata*). NMFS is required by the Endangered Species Act (ESA) to conduct 5-year reviews to ensure that the listing classifications of species are accurate. The 5-year review must be based on the best scientific and commercial data available at the time of the review. We request submission of any such information on these 15 coral species, particularly information on the status, threats, and recovery of the species that has become available since their listing, effective September 10, 2014.

**DATES:** To allow us adequate time to conduct this review, we must receive your information no later than February 8, 2021.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit information on this document,

identified by NOAA-NMFS-2020-0151, by either of the following methods:

- **Electronic Submission:** Submit electronic information via the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal. Go to [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) and enter NOAA-NMFS-2020-0151. Click on the “Comment Now!” icon and complete the required fields. Enter or attach your comments.

- **Email:** Submit written comments to Lance Smith at [Lance.Smith@noaa.gov](mailto:Lance.Smith@noaa.gov).

**Instructions:** Comments sent by any other method, to any other address or individual, or received after the end of the specified period, may not be considered. All comments received are a part of the public record and will generally be posted for public viewing on [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) without change. All personal identifying information (e.g., name, address, etc.), confidential business information, or otherwise sensitive or protected information submitted voluntarily by the sender will be publicly accessible. NMFS will accept anonymous submissions (enter “N/A” in the required fields if you wish to remain anonymous).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Lance Smith at (808) 725-5131 or [Lance.Smith@noaa.gov](mailto:Lance.Smith@noaa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice announces our review of the following Indo-Pacific reef-building coral species listed as threatened under the ESA: *Acropora globiceps*, *Acropora jacquelineae*, *Acropora lokani*, *Acropora pharaonis*, *Acropora retusa*, *Acropora rudis*, *Acropora speciosa*, *Acropora tenella*, *Anacropora spinosa*, *Euphyllia paradivisa*, *Isopora crateriformis*, *Montipora australiensis*, *Pavona diffluens*, *Porites napopora*, and *Seriatopora aculeata*. Section 4(c)(2)(A) of the ESA requires that we conduct a review of listed species at least once every 5 years. This will be the first review of these species since they were listed in 2014. The regulations in 50 CFR 424.21 require that we publish a notice in the **Federal Register** announcing species currently under active review. On the basis of such reviews under ESA Section 4(c)(2)(B), we determine whether any species should be removed from the list (*i.e.*, delisted) or reclassified from endangered to threatened or from threatened to endangered (16 U.S.C. 1533(c)(2)(B)). As described by the regulations in 50 CFR 424.11(e), the Secretary shall delist a species if the Secretary finds that, after conducting a status review based on the best scientific and commercial data available: (1) The species is extinct; (2) the species does not meet the definition

of an endangered species or a threatened species; and/or (3) the listed entity does not meet the statutory definition of a species. Any change in Federal classification would require a separate rulemaking process.

Background information on each of the 15 species is available on the NMFS website at: <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/corals>.

### Public Solicitation of New Information

To ensure that the reviews are complete and based on the best available scientific and commercial information, we are soliciting new information from the public, governmental agencies, Tribes, the scientific community, industry, environmental entities, and any other interested parties concerning the status of *Acropora globiceps*, *Acropora jacquelinae*, *Acropora lokani*, *Acropora pharaonis*, *Acropora retusa*, *Acropora rudis*, *Acropora speciosa*, *Acropora tenella*, *Anacropora spinosa*, *Euphyllia paradivisa*, *Isopora crateriformis*, *Montipora australiensis*, *Pavona diffluens*, *Porites napopora*, and *Seriatopora aculeata*. Categories of requested information include: (1) Species biology including, but not limited to, population trends, distribution, abundance, demographics, and genetics; (2) habitat conditions including, but not limited to, amount, distribution, and important features for conservation; (3) status and trends of threats to the species and its habitats; (4) conservation measures that have been implemented that benefit the species, including, but not limited to, monitoring data demonstrating effectiveness of such measures; and (5) other new information, data, or corrections including, but not limited to, taxonomic or nomenclatural changes, and improved analytical methods for evaluating extinction risk.

If you wish to provide information for the reviews, you may submit your information and materials electronically or via mail (see **ADDRESSES** section). We request that all information be accompanied by supporting documentation such as maps, bibliographic references, or reprints of pertinent publications. We also would appreciate the submitter's name, address, and any association, institution, or business that the person represents; however, anonymous submissions will also be accepted.

(Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*)

Dated: January 4, 2021.

**Angela Somma**,

Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Endangered and Threatened Species; Initiation of a 5-Year Review of Staghorn Coral, Elkhorn Coral, Pillar Coral, Rough Cactus Coral, Lobed Star Coral, Mountainous Star Coral, and Boulder Star Coral

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

**ACTION:** Notice of initiation of 5-Year Review; request for information.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS announces a 5-year review of staghorn coral (*Acropora cervicornis*), elkhorn coral (*Acropora palmata*), pillar coral (*Dendrogyra cylindrus*), rough cactus coral (*Mycetophyllia ferox*), lobed star coral (*Orbicella annularis*), mountainous star coral (*Orbicella faveolata*), and boulder star coral (*Orbicella franksi*) under the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA). A 5-year review is based on the best scientific and commercial data available at the time of the review; therefore, we are requesting submission of any such information on staghorn coral, elkhorn coral, pillar coral, rough cactus coral, lobed star coral, mountainous star coral, and boulder star coral that has become available since their original listings as threatened species or the most recent status review for staghorn and elkhorn coral in 2014.

**DATES:** To allow us adequate time to conduct this review, we must receive your information no later than March 8, 2021.

However, we will continue to accept new information about any listed species at any time.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit your comments, identified by NOAA-NMFS-2020-0147, by either of the following methods:

- **Electronic Submissions:** Submit all electronic public comments via the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal.

1. Go to [www.regulations.gov/document?D=NOAA-NMFS-2020-0147](https://www.regulations.gov/document?D=NOAA-NMFS-2020-0147),
2. Click the "Comment Now!" icon, complete the required fields, and
3. Enter or attach your comments.

- **Email:** Submit written comments to [alison.moulding@noaa.gov](mailto:alison.moulding@noaa.gov).

**Instructions:** We may not consider comments if they are sent by any other method, to any other address or individual, or received after the end of the specified period. All comments received are a part of the public record and will generally be posted for public viewing on [www.regulations.gov](https://www.regulations.gov) without change. All personal identifying information (e.g., name, address, etc.), confidential business information, or otherwise sensitive information submitted voluntarily by the sender will be publicly accessible. We will accept anonymous comments (enter "N/A" in the required fields if you wish to remain anonymous).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Alison Moulding at the above email address or by phone at 727-551-5607.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On May 9, 2006, we listed elkhorn coral and staghorn coral as threatened under the ESA (71 FR 26852). On September 10, 2014, we listed lobed star coral, mountainous star coral, boulder star coral, rough cactus coral, and pillar coral as threatened and reaffirmed the status of elkhorn coral and staghorn coral as threatened (79 FR 53852). Section 4(c)(2)(A) of the ESA requires that we conduct a review of listed species at least once every 5 years. The ESA's implementing regulations at 50 CFR 424.21 require that we publish a notice in the **Federal Register** announcing those species currently under active review. On the basis of this review, under section 4(c)(2)(B), we determine whether these species should be delisted or reclassified from endangered to threatened or from threatened to endangered. As described in 50 CFR 424.11(e), the Secretary will delist a species if the Secretary finds that, after conducting a status review based on the best scientific and commercial data available: (1) The species is extinct; (2) the species does not meet the definition of an endangered species or threatened species; or (3) the listed entity does not meet the statutory definition of a species. Changes to the listing status of a species can only be made following publication of a proposed rule with an opportunity for public comment and our consideration of the comments before making a final determination to reclassify or delist the species.

### Public Solicitation of New Information

To ensure that the 5-year review is complete and based on the best available scientific and commercial information, we are soliciting new