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 - 1. Advisory Panel
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 - 4. Archipelagic Plan Team
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Thursday, March 30, 2023, 4:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. ChST

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Thursday, March 30, 2023, 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. ChST

Fishers Forum: All About Bottomfish in the Mariana Islands

Friday, March 31, 2023, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. ChST

- 15. American Samoa Archipelago
 - A. Motu Lipoti
 - B. Department of Marine and Wildlife Resources Report
 - C. Update on American Samoa Bottomfish Stock Assessment and Review
 - D. Advisory Group Report and Recommendation
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- 16. Administrative Matters
 - A. Financial Reports
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 - C. Council Family Changes
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 - E. Executive and Budget Standing Committee Report
 - F. Public Comment
 - G. Council Discussion and Action
- 17. Other Business

Non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before the Council for discussion and formal Council action during its 194th meeting. However, Council action on regulatory issues will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any regulatory issue arising after publication of this document that requires emergency action under section 305(c) of the MSA, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are 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: February 23, 2023.

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

[RTID 0648-XC803]

Caribbean Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of a public hybrid meeting.

SUMMARY: The Caribbean Fishery Management Council's (Council) Outreach and Education Advisory Panel (OEAP) will hold a public hybrid meeting to address the items contained in the tentative agenda included in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

DATES: The OEAP public hybrid meeting will be held on March 22, 2023, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. AST.

ADDRESSES: You may join the OEAP public virtual meeting (via Zoom) from a computer, tablet or smartphone by entering the following address:

Join Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 840 3998 6774

Passcode: 179728

Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84039986774>

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Miguel Rolón, Executive Director, Caribbean Fishery Management Council, 270 Muñoz Rivera Avenue, Suite 401, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918-1903, telephone: (787) 398-3717.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following items included in the tentative agenda will be discussed:

9:30 a.m.

—Call to Order

—Adoption of Agenda

9:45 a.m.–10:15 a.m.

—OEAP Chairperson's Report

—Updates:

—Meetings and Webinars Attended:

NOAA Caribbean, MREP, EBFM
NOAA webinar, Descending
devices outreach webinar, CFMC
Meeting

—Calendar 2024

—Recipe Book

—Illustrated Booklet on Climate
Change and U.S. Caribbean
Fisheries

—MREP update

—DAP Workshop in St. Thomas/St.
John, U.S.V.I. on IBFMP

10:15 a.m.–10:20 a.m.

—Short Break

10:20 a.m.–11 a.m.

—Update on Status of the Fishery
Ecosystem Plan (FEP)—Liajay
Rivera—Outreach Materials on MPAs in
Puerto Rico—Vilmarie Román—UPR Sea Grant Activities on
Consumption of Underutilized
Species—Jannette Ramos

11 a.m.–12 p.m.

—Update of the Island-Based Fishery
Management Plans

—Fact Sheets on IBFMP

12 p.m.–1 p.m.

—Lunch

1 p.m.–5 p.m.

—OEAP Recommendation of Outreach
Strategies on IBFMPs for Puerto
Rico, St. Thomas/St. John, and St.
Croix, U.S.V.I.

—Liaisons Recommendations

—Liaisons Reports:

—Wilson Santiago—Puerto Rico

—Nicole Greaux/St. Thomas, U.S.V.I.

—Mavel Maldonado/St. Croix,
U.S.V.I.—CFMC Facebook, Instagram and
YouTube Communications with
Stakeholders

—Other Business

The order of business may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the completion of agenda items. The meeting will begin on March 22, 2023, at 9:30 a.m., and will end on March 22, 2023, at 5 p.m. AST. Other than the start time, interested parties should be aware that discussions may start earlier or later than indicated, at the discretion of the Chair. In addition, the meeting may be completed prior to the date established in this notice.

Special Accommodations

For any additional information on this public virtual meeting, please contact

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Rivera Avenue, Suite 401, San Juan,
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(787) 226–8849.

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Dated: February 23, 2023.

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*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–XC797]

**Taking and Importing Marine
Mammals; Taking Marine Mammals
Incidental to Fisheries Research**

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

ACTION: Notice; receipt of application for
Letter of Authorization; request for
comments and information.

SUMMARY: NMFS' Office of Protected
Resources (OPR) has received a request
from the NMFS Northwest Fisheries
Science Center (NWFSC) for
authorization to take small numbers of
marine mammals incidental to
conducting fisheries research, over the
course of 5 years from the date of
issuance. Pursuant to regulations
implementing the Marine Mammal
Protection Act (MMPA), OPR is
announcing receipt of the NWFSC's
request for the development and
implementation of regulations
governing the incidental taking of
marine mammals. OPR invites the
public to provide information,
suggestions, and comments on the
NWFSC's application and request.

DATES: Comments and information must
be received no later than March 30,
2023.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the
applications 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.Laws@noaa.gov.

Instructions: OPR is not responsible
for comments sent by any other method,
to any other address or individual, or
received after the end of the comment

period. Comments received
electronically, including all
attachments, must not exceed a 25-
megabyte file size. All comments
received are a part of the public record
and will generally be posted online at
[www.fisheries.noaa.gov/national/
marine-mammal-protection/incidental-
take-authorizations-research-and-other-
activities](http://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/national/marine-mammal-protection/incidental-take-authorizations-research-and-other-activities) without change. All personal
identifying information (e.g., name,
address) voluntarily submitted by the
commenter may be publicly accessible.
Do not submit confidential business
information or otherwise sensitive or
protected information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ben
Laws, Office of Protected Resources,
NMFS, (301) 427–8401. Electronic
copies of the application and supporting
documents, as well as a list of the
references cited in this document, may
be obtained online at:

[www.fisheries.noaa.gov/national/
marine-mammal-protection/incidental-
take-authorizations-research-and-other-
activities](http://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/national/marine-mammal-protection/incidental-take-authorizations-research-and-other-activities). In case of problems accessing
these documents, please call the contact
listed above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

The MMPA prohibits the “take” of
marine mammals, with certain
exceptions. Sections 101(a)(5)(A) and
(D) of the MMPA (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et
seq.*) direct the Secretary of Commerce
(as delegated to NMFS) to allow, upon
request, the incidental, but not
intentional, taking of small numbers of
marine mammals by U.S. citizens who
engage in a specified activity (other than
commercial fishing) within a specified
geographical region if certain findings
are made and either regulations are
issued or, if the taking is limited to
harassment, a notice of a proposed
incidental take authorization may be
provided to the public for review.

Authorization for incidental takings
shall be granted if NMFS finds that the
taking will have a negligible impact on
the species or stock(s) and will not have
an unmitigable adverse impact on the
availability of the species or stock(s) for
taking for subsistence uses (where
relevant). Further, NMFS must prescribe
the permissible methods of taking and
other “means of effecting the least
practicable adverse impact” on the
affected species or stocks and their
habitat, paying particular attention to
rookeries, mating grounds, and areas of
similar significance, and on the
availability of the species or stocks for
taking for certain subsistence uses
(referred to in shorthand as
“mitigation”); and requirements