

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

[RTID 0648–XD341]

**Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting**

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

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

**SUMMARY:** The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a half-day webinar meeting of its Standing, Reef Fish, Socioeconomic, and Ecosystem Scientific and Statistical Committees (SSC). See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for agenda.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Wednesday, October 4, 2023, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., EDT.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will take place via webinar. Registration information will be available on the Council's website by visiting [www.gulfcouncil.org](http://www.gulfcouncil.org) and clicking on the "meeting tab".

*Council address:* Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 4107 W Spruce Street, Suite 200, Tampa, FL 33607; telephone: (813) 348–1630.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Ryan Rindone, Lead Fishery Biologist, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; [ryan.rindone@gulfcouncil.org](mailto:ryan.rindone@gulfcouncil.org), telephone: (813) 348–1630.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Wednesday, October 4, 2023; 9 a.m.–12 p.m., EDT**

The meeting will begin with Introductions and Adoption of Agenda, and a review of the Scope of Work. The Committees will then review the Marine Recreational Information Program Fishing Effort Survey Pilot Study and Next Steps. Following, the Committees will receive an update on SEDAR 81

Sensitivity Runs with Respect to the MRIP–FES Pilot Study. SSC discussion will follow.

The Committees will receive public comment, if any, before addressing any items under Other Business.

*—Meeting Adjourns*

The meeting will be broadcast via webinar. You may register for the webinar by visiting [www.gulfcouncil.org](http://www.gulfcouncil.org) and clicking on the SSC meeting on the calendar.

The Agenda is subject to change, and the latest version along with other meeting materials will be posted on [www.gulfcouncil.org](http://www.gulfcouncil.org) as they become available.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agenda may come before the Scientific and Statistical Committees for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Actions of the Scientific and Statistical Committee will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda and any issues arising after publication of this notice 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 Council's intent to take action to address the emergency.

**Special Accommodations**

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aid should be directed to Kathy Pereira, (813) 348–1630, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: September 11, 2023.

**Diane M. DeJames-Daly,**

*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–XD355]

**Marine Mammals and Endangered Species**

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

**ACTION:** Notice; issuance of permits, and permit modifications.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that permits and permit modifications have been issued to the following entities under the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA) and the Endangered Species Act (ESA), as applicable.

**ADDRESSES:** The permits and related documents are available for review upon written request via email to [NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov](mailto:NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Shasta McClenahan, Ph.D., (Permit Nos. 26939, 27038, and 27052), Malcolm Mohead (Permit Nos. 27294 and 24016–01), and Courtney Smith, Ph.D. (Permit No. 26623); at (301) 427–8401.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notices were published in the **Federal Register** on the dates listed below that requests for a permit or permit modification had been submitted by the below-named applicants. To locate the **Federal Register** notice that announced our receipt of the application and a complete description of the activities, go to <https://www.federalregister.gov> and search on the permit number provided in Table 1 below.

TABLE 1—ISSUED PERMITS AND PERMIT MODIFICATIONS

Permit No.	RTID	Applicant	Previous <b>Federal Register</b> notice	Issuance date
26623 .....	0648–XC926	Erin Ashe, Ph.D., Oceans Initiative, 117 East Louisa Street No. 135, Seattle, WA 98102.	88 FR 23645, April 18, 2023.	August 7, 2023.
26939 .....	0648–XC969	NMFS Northeast Fisheries Science Center, 166 Water Street, Woods Hole, MA 02543 (Responsible Party: Jon Hare, Ph.D.).	88 FR 27451, May 2, 2023.	August 28, 2023.
27038 .....	0648–XC735	Center for Whale Research, 355 Smuggler's Cove Road, Friday Harbor, WA 98250 (Responsible Party: Michael Weiss, Ph.D.).	88 FR 7078, February 2, 2023.	August 15, 2023.
27052 .....	0648–XC804	NMFS Northwest Fisheries Science Center, 2725 Montlake Boulevard East, Seattle, WA 98112 (Responsible Party: M. Bradley Hanson, Ph.D.).	88 FR 13100, March 2, 2023.	August 25, 2023.

TABLE 1—ISSUED PERMITS AND PERMIT MODIFICATIONS—Continued

Permit No.	RTID	Applicant	Previous <b>Federal Register</b> notice	Issuance date
27294 .....	0648–XC922	Nicole Phillips, Ph.D., The University of Southern Mississippi, 118 College Drive No. 5018, Hattiesburg, MS 39406.	88 FR 24597, April 21, 2023.	July 11, 2023.
24016–01 ....	0648–XC967	Jason Kahn, Ph.D., National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910.	88 FR 26523, May 1, 2023.	August 17, 2023.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), a final determination has been made that the activities proposed are categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

As required by the ESA, as applicable, issuance of these permit was based on a finding that such permits: (1) were applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of such endangered species; and (3) are consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in Section 2 of the ESA.

**Authority:** The requested permits have been issued under the MMPA of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216), the ESA of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR parts 222–226), as applicable.

Dated: September 11, 2023.

**Julia M. Harrison,**  
*Chief, Permits and Conservation Division,  
 Office of Protected Resources, National  
 Marine Fisheries Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

**Department of the Army**

[Docket ID: USA–2023–HQ–0012]

**Proposed Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Department of the Army, Department of Defense (DoD).

**ACTION:** 60-Day information collection notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public

comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by November 13, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

*Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

*Mail:* Department of Defense, Office of the Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Privacy, Civil Liberties, and Transparency, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Mailbox #24, Suite 08D09, Alexandria, VA 22350–1700.

*Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 441 G Street NW, Washington, DC 20314–1000, ATTN: Ms. Kathryn Nevins, or call 703–428–6440.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number:* Parks and Recreation Comment System (PARCS); OMB Control Number 0710–PARC.

*Needs and Uses:* The Parks and Recreation Comment System (PARCS) is intended to be a supplemental instrument to the mandatory customer comment cards which can be utilized not only during the optional years but would be available anytime the public would like to submit comments, questions, or concerns about the conditions at the project. PARCS is an online tool unlike the current comment cards and would reduce the use of printed materials. Rather than seeking to gauge overall visitor satisfaction, this tool is intended to collect impromptu feedback from visitors with a limited scope. Each response is expected to relate to one specific issue, essentially supplementing other issue reporting methods such as phone calls and emails. In response to Executive Order 12862, Setting Customer Service Standards, issued on 11 September 1993, the Corps of Engineers initiated development of a comment card program for monitoring visitor satisfaction at Corps of Engineers lakes and projects. E.O. 12862 asks agencies to establish customer service standards and “survey customers to determine . . . their level of satisfaction with existing services.” This enterprise program allows for the uniform collection of customer feedback from visitors to USACE parks and visitor centers. In 2005, the program was expanded to obtain consistent information across water resources projects with public recreation areas requiring mandatory utilization by projects in a 3-year cycle beginning in 2010.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 100.

*Number of Respondents:* 1,200.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Annual Responses:* 1,200.

*Average Burden per Response:* 5 minutes.

*Frequency:* On occasion.