

and implementing the integrated strategy under 51 U.S.C. 60601(c), including subsequent updates and reevaluations. The SWAG shall also conduct a comprehensive survey of the needs of users of space weather products to identify the space weather research, observations, forecasting, prediction, and modeling advances required to improve space weather products, as required by 51 U.S.C. 60601(d)(3).

Matters To Be Considered

The meeting will be open to the public. During the meeting, the SWAG will discuss the PROSWIFT Act, 51 U.S.C. 60601 *et seq.*, directed duties of the SWAG including the required 51 U.S.C. 60601(d)(3) user survey. The full agenda and meeting materials will be published on the SWAG website: <https://www.weather.gov/swag>.

Additional Information and Public Comments

The meeting will be held over one full day and will be conducted in a virtual manner (for meeting details see **ADDRESSES**). Please register for the meeting through the website: <https://www.weather.gov/swag>.

This event is accessible to individuals with disabilities. For all other special accommodation requests, please contact amy.macpherson@noaa.gov. This webinar is a NOAA public meeting and will be recorded and transcribed. If you have a public comment, you acknowledge you will be recorded and are aware you can opt out of the meeting. Participation in the meeting constitutes consent to the recording. Both the meeting minutes and presentations will be posted to the SWAG website <https://www.weather.gov/swag>. The agenda, speakers and times are subject to change. For updates, please check the SWAG website <https://www.weather.gov/swag>.

Public comments directed to the SWAG members and SWAG related topics are encouraged. For other written public comments, please email amy.macpherson@noaa.gov by March 22, 2024. Written comments received after this date will be distributed to the SWAG but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting date. As time allows, public comments will be read into the public record during the meeting. Advance comments will be collated and posted to the meeting website.

Dated: February 9, 2024.

Michael Farrar,

Director, National Centers for Environmental Prediction, National Weather Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648-XD723]

New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is conducting six scoping meetings to solicit comments regarding the range of alternatives to consider in Amendment 10 (A10) to the Atlantic Herring Fishery Management Plan to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). The Council is proposing to take action through A10 to address spatial and temporal allocation and management of Atlantic herring at the management unit level to minimize user conflicts, contribute to optimum yield and support rebuilding of the resource. The Council is also proposing to take action to enhance river herring (alewife and blueback herring) and shad (American shad and hickory shad) avoidance and other catch reduction measures to better support ongoing coastwide restoration efforts for those species. The Council is scheduling the scoping meetings in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act and the National Environmental Policy Act. A summary of public comments received will be provided to the Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

DATES: These meetings and webinars will be held between the dates of Friday, March 1, 2024 and Monday, April 22, 2024. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for more details on specific dates and times.

ADDRESSES: *Council address:* New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cate O'Keefe, Ph.D., Executive Director, New

England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. Friday, March 1, 2024, 1–2:30 p.m., Samoset Resort Hotel, 220 Warrenton Street, Rockport, ME 04856;
2. Monday, March 4, 2024, 6–8 p.m., Urban Forestry Center, 45 Elwyn Road, Portsmouth, NH 03801;
3. Tuesday, March 19, 2024, 6–8 p.m., Hampton Inn, 20 Hotel Drive, South Kingstown, RI 02879;
4. Wednesday, March 27, 2024, 6–8 p.m., Hampton Inn, 12 Kendall Rae Place, Buzzards Bay, MA 02532;
5. Wednesday, April 17, 2024, 6–8 p.m., Hilton Hotel, 20 Coogan Boulevard, Mystic, CT 06355, also via webinar. Please register for the webinar here: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3372208096915656544>.
6. Monday, April 22, 2024, from 6–8 p.m. via webinar. Please register for the webinar here: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3923008446850127706>.

Public comments: The public comment deadline is 8 a.m. EST on Tuesday, April 30, 2024. Mail to Cate O'Keefe, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill #2, Newburyport, MA 01950. Mark the outside of the envelope "Atlantic Herring Amendment 10 Scoping Comments". Comments may also be sent via email to comments@nefmc.org—with "Atlantic Herring Amendment 10 Scoping Comments" in the subject line.

Agenda

Council staff will brief the public on the A10 scoping document before receiving comments. These meetings will begin promptly at the time indicated above. If all attendees who wish to do so have provided their comments prior to the end time indicated, the meeting may conclude early. To the extent possible, the Council may extend scoping meetings beyond the end time indicated above to accommodate all attendees who wish to speak.

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 these meetings. 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

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Cate O'Keefe, Executive Director, at (978) 465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: February 12, 2024.

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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North Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of hybrid meeting.

SUMMARY: The North Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) Scallop Plan Team will meet in Alaska.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 5, 2024, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., AK time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be a hybrid meeting. Attend in person in the Chiniak room at the Kodiak Fish and Game office, 351 Research Court, Kodiak, AK 99615, or join online through the link at <https://meetings.npfmc.org/Meeting/Details/3035>.

Council address: North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 1007 W 3rd Ave., Ste. 400, Anchorage, AK 99501-2252; telephone: (907) 271-2809. Instructions for attending the meeting via video conference are given under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sarah Rheinsmith, Council staff; phone: (907) 271-2809; email: sarah.rheinsmith@noaa.gov. For technical support, please contact our admin Council staff, email: npfmc.admin@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Agenda

Tuesday, March 5, 2024

The agenda will include: (a) 2023 state dredge survey results; (b) statewide fishery performance; (c) research updates; (d) Scallop FMP amendments; (e) stock status, OFL and ABC determination; (f) socioeconomic considerations; (g) status of assessment development; and (h) other business. The agenda is subject to change, and the latest version will be posted at <https://meetings.npfmc.org/Meeting/Details/3035> prior to the meeting, along with meeting materials.

Connection Information

You can attend the meeting online using a computer, tablet, or smart phone, or by phone only. Connection information will be posted online at: <https://meetings.npfmc.org/Meeting/Details/3035>.

Public Comment

Public comment letters will be accepted and should be submitted electronically to <https://meetings.npfmc.org/Meeting/Details/3035>.

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

Dated: February 12, 2024.

Rey Israel Marquez,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Patent Petitions Related to Application and Reexamination Processing Fees

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of information collection; request for comment.

SUMMARY: The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, invites comments on the extension and revision of an existing information collection: 0651-0059, Patent Petitions Related to Application and Reexamination Processing Fees. The purpose of this notice is to allow 60 days for public comment preceding submission of the information collection to OMB.

DATES: To ensure consideration, comments regarding this information collection must be received on or before April 15, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments by any of the following methods. Do not submit Confidential Business Information or otherwise sensitive or protected information.

- *Email:* InformationCollection@uspto.gov. Include "0651-0059 comment" in the subject line of the message.

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>.

- *Mail:* Justin Isaac, Office of the Chief Administrative Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Request for additional information should be directed to Jeffrey West, Senior Legal Advisor, Office of Patent Legal Administration, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450; by telephone at 571-272-2226; or by email at jeffrey.west@uspto.gov with "0651-0059 comment" in the subject line. Additional information about this information collection is also available at <http://www.reginfo.gov> under "Information Collection Review."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) is required by 35 U.S.C. 131 *et seq.* to examine an application for patent and, when appropriate, issue a patent. The USPTO also is required to publish patent applications, with certain exceptions, promptly after the expiration of a period of eighteen months from the earliest filing date for which a benefit is sought under Title 35, United States Code.

USPTO petitions practice provides an opportunity for a patent applicant or owner to supply additional information that may be required in order for the USPTO to further process an application or patent. For other USPTO actions, review is in the form of administrative review obtained via submission of a petition to the USPTO. Many actions taken by the USPTO during its examination of an application for patent or for reissue of a patent, or during reexamination of a patent, are subject to review by an appeal to the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB). Appeals to PTAB are covered in other OMB approved information collections (0651-0063 and 0651-0069).

This information collection covers petitions filed in patent applications