

Respondent's Obligation: Required to Obtain or Retain Benefits.

Legal Authority: The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) issues permits, under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*; MSA) MSA and associated regulations at 50 CFR part 600.

IV. Request for Comments

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department/Bureau to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) Evaluate ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Sheleen Dumas,

Department PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, Commerce Department.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of hybrid meeting open to the public offering both in-person and virtual options for participation.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a four-day meeting to consider actions affecting the Gulf of Mexico fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).

DATES: The meeting will convene Monday, April 8, 2024 through Thursday, April 11, 2024. Daily schedule is as follows: Monday, April 8, from 8 a.m.–5:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 9 through Thursday, April 11, from 8 a.m.–5 p.m., CDT.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place at The Lodge at Gulf State Park, located at 21196 East Beach Boulevard, Gulf Shores, AL 36542. If you prefer to “listen in”, you may access the log-on information by visiting our website at www.gulfcouncil.org.

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: Dr. Carrie Simmons, Executive Director, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 348-1630.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Monday, April 8, 2024; 8 a.m.–5:30 p.m., CDT

The meeting will begin with the *Shrimp* Committee reviewing the Biological Review of the Texas Closure, Draft *Shrimp* Framework Action: Modification of the Vessel Position Data Collection Program for the Gulf of Mexico *Shrimp* Fishery and the 2022 Gulf *Shrimp* Fishery Effort. The committee will receive an update on Number of Valid and Renewable Gulf *Shrimp* Permits and Discussion of Management Implications and review of any remaining items from the March 19–20, 2024 *Shrimp* Advisory Panel Meeting Summary.

The Gulf SEDAR Committee will review and discuss the Gulf of Mexico SEDAR Schedule, SSC Discussions about the current SEDAR Process, and any remaining items from the March 2024 SEDAR Steering Committee Meeting.

The Data Collection Committee will receive presentations on Discussion of Fisheries Economic Data Collection Methods and Amendment Draft Options.

At approximately 4:15 p.m. until 5:30 p.m., the Council will convene the Full Council in a Closed Session to review Preliminary Appointments to the *Reef Fish* and *Shrimp* Advisory Panels,

Appointments to the *Ad Hoc Red Snapper/Grouper Tilefish* Advisory Panel; and, selection of 2023 Law Enforcement Officer or Team of the Year.

Tuesday, April 9, 2024; 8 a.m.–5 p.m., CDT

The *Reef Fish* Committee will convene to review *Reef Fish* and Individual Fishing Quota (IFQ) Landings, receive presentation on 2024 *Red Grouper* and *Gag* Recreational Season Projections, Discuss Conservation and Management of Wenchnan in the *Mid-water Snapper* Complex, including Background Draft Options: Modification of *Mid-Water Snapper* Complex Composition and Catch Limits. The committee also will review Draft Options: *Reef Fish* Amendment 58: Modifications to *Shallow-water Grouper* Complex Catch Limits and Management Measures. The committee will also hear the February 2023 Gulf SSC Meeting Summary Items: SEDAR 85: Gulf *Yellowedge Grouper* Assessment and Projections, Fishermen Feedback for SEDAR 85, Other *Deepwater Grouper* Landings Data and Catch Limits, Gulf of Mexico Red Snapper Research Track SEDAR 74, Comparison of the *Reef Fish* and *Snapper Grouper* Fisheries of the Southeastern U.S., and 2024 Gulf Red Group Interim Analysis Review. Lastly, the committee will receive a presentation on *Reef Fish* Amendment 60: Individual Fishing Quota.

Wednesday, April 10, 2024; 8 a.m.–5 p.m., CDT

The Mackerel Committee will review Coastal Migratory Pelagics (CMP) Landings, Draft Framework Amendment 14: Modifications to Gulf Migratory Group *Spanish Mackerel* Catch Limits including CMP AP Recommendations, Gulf Migratory Group *King Mackerel* Management Discussion, CMP Special Engagement Sessions, and any remaining CMP AP Meeting Recommendations.

The Council will reconvene at approximately 10:15 a.m., CDT with a Call to Order, Announcements and Introductions, Adoption of Agenda and Approval of Minutes.

The Council will receive presentations on a Brief Update on Recreational Initiative, Opportunities to Advance Equity and Environmental Justice (EEJ) in Gulf of Mexico Fisheries through the Southeast EEJ Implementation Plan and an Update from Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) on Wind Energy Development in the Gulf of Mexico.

The Council will hold public testimony from 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m., CDT for Comments on the Southeast EEJ Implementation Plan; and open testimony on other fishery issues or concerns. Public comment may begin earlier than 1:30 p.m. CDT, but will not conclude before that time. Persons wishing to give public testimony in-person must register at the registration kiosk in the meeting room. Persons wishing to give public testimony virtually must sign up on the Council website on the day of public testimony. Registration for virtual testimony closes one hour (12:30 p.m. CDT) before public testimony begins.

Thursday, April 11, 2024; 8 a.m.–5 p.m., CDT

The Council will receive Committee reports from *Shrimp*, Gulf SEDAR, Data Collection, *Reef Fish*; and, Announcement of 2023 Officer/Team of the Year and committee report from *Mackerel* Committee. The Council will receive updates from the following supporting agencies: Alabama Law Enforcement Efforts; South Atlantic Fishery Management Council Liaison; NOAA Office of Law Enforcement (OLE); Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission; U.S. Coast Guard; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; and Department of State.

The Council will discuss Other Business items: Litigation Update and Federal Charter Vessel ID Marking Requirements.

—Meeting Adjourns

The meeting will be a hybrid meeting; both in-person and virtual participation available. You may register for the webinar to listen-in only by visiting www.gulfcouncil.org and click on the Council meeting on the calendar.

The timing and order in which agenda items are addressed may change as required to effectively address the issue, and the latest version along with other meeting materials will be posted on the website as they become available.

Although other non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act), those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meeting. Actions 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 that the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aid or accommodations should be directed to Kathy Pereira, (813) 348–1630, at least 15 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: March 15, 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

[RTID 0648–XD813]

Pacific 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 Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) and its advisory bodies will meet April 5–11, 2024 in Seattle, WA and via webinar. The Council meeting will be live streamed with the opportunity to provide public comment remotely. The following groups will meet in person in Seattle: Budget Committee, Salmon Technical Team, Salmon Advisory Subpanel, Enforcement Consultants, Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel, Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team, Groundfish Management Team, and Groundfish Advisory Subpanel. The Scientific and Statistical Committee will meet remotely.

DATES: The Pacific Council meeting will begin on Saturday, April 6, 2024, at 9 a.m. Pacific Time, reconvening at 8 a.m. on Sunday, April 7 through Thursday, April 11, 2024. All meetings are open to the public, except for a Closed Session held from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., Saturday, April 6, to address litigation and personnel matters. The Pacific Council will meet as late as necessary each day to complete its scheduled business.

ADDRESSES: Meetings of the Pacific Council and its advisory entities will be held at the Westin Seattle, 1900 5th Avenue, Seattle, WA; telephone: (206) 728–1000. Specific meeting information, including directions on joining the meeting, connecting to the live stream

broadcast, and system requirements will be provided in the meeting announcement on the Pacific Council's website (see www.pcouncil.org). You may send an email to Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt (kris.kleinschmidt@noaa.gov) or contact him at 503–820–2412 for technical assistance.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220–1384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Merrick Burden, Executive Director, Pacific Council; telephone: 503–820–2418 or 866–806–7204 toll-free, or access the Pacific Council website, www.pcouncil.org, for the proposed agenda and meeting briefing materials.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The April 6–11, 2024 meeting of the Pacific Council will be streamed live on the internet. The broadcasts begin initially at 9 a.m. PT, Saturday, April 6, and 8 a.m. Sunday, April 7 through Thursday, April 11, 2024. Broadcasts end when business for the day is complete. Only the audio portion and presentations displayed on the screen at the Pacific Council meeting will be broadcast. The audio portion for the public is listen-only except that an opportunity for oral public comment will be provided prior to Council Action on each agenda item. Additional information and instructions on joining or listening to the meeting can be found on the Pacific Council's website (see www.pcouncil.org).

The following items are on the Pacific Council agenda, but not necessarily in this order. Agenda items noted as “Final Action” refer to actions requiring the Pacific Council to transmit a proposed fishery management plan, proposed plan amendment, or proposed regulations to the U.S. Secretary of Commerce, under Sections 304 or 305 of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Additional detail on agenda items, Council action, and advisory entity meeting times, are described in Agenda Item A.3, Proposed Council Meeting Agenda, and will be in the advance April 2024 briefing materials and posted on the Pacific Council website at www.pcouncil.org no later than Monday, March 25, 2024.

A. Call to Order

1. Opening Remarks
2. Roll Call
3. Agenda

4. Executive Director's Report

B. Open Comment Period

1. Comments on Non-Agenda Items

C. Habitat Issues

1. Current Habitat Issues

D. Pacific Halibut Management