

decision-making in past groundfish assessments if they had been used in the manner currently envisioned. Sablefish was selected for a full assessment and petrale sole for a catch-only projection in the 2025 stock assessment cycle. Thus, the Subcommittee may focus on consideration or pathways for incorporation of these species risk tables in the upcoming stock assessment cycle and 2027–2028 harvest specification process.

In addition, they may review new analyses conducted by the NMFS California Current Integrated Ecosystem Assessment Team that may potentially inform future annual reports to the Pacific Council on the state of the California Current Ecosystem.

No management actions will be decided by the meeting participants. The participants' role will be development of recommendations and reports for consideration by the SSC and the Pacific Council at a future Council meeting. The Pacific Council and SSC are scheduled to consider the Ecosystem and Climate Information for Species, Fisheries, and Fishery Management Plan Initiative 4 at their September 2024 meeting in Spokane, WA, and to consider the California Current Ecosystem Status Report at their March 2025 meeting in Vancouver, WA.

Although nonemergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may be discussed, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. 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 Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the intent of the workshop participants to take final action to address the emergency.

### Special Accommodations

Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kris Kleinschmidt ([kris.kleinschmidt@noaa.gov](mailto:kris.kleinschmidt@noaa.gov); (503) 820-2412) at least 10 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: July 16, 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-XE092]

### Caribbean Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

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

**SUMMARY:** The Caribbean Fishery Management Council's (Council) Ecosystem-Based Fishery Management Technical Advisory Panel (EBFM TAP) will hold a public virtual meeting to address the items on the tentative agenda included in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**DATES:** The EBFM TAP public virtual meeting will be held on Thursday, August 1st, 2024, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (AST), and Friday, August 2nd, 2024, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (AST).

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

*Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89296642641>*

*Meeting ID: 892 9664 2641*

*One tap mobile: + 13092053325, 8929664264 1# US*

*Dial by your location: +1 646 558 8656 US (New York); +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC); +1 305 224 1968 US; +1 309 205 3325 US; +1 939 945 0244 Puerto Rico; +1 787 945 1488 Puerto Rico; +1 787 966 7727 Puerto Rico*

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*Passcode: 303561*

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*Access Code: 676-798-557*

*United States: +1 (312) 757-3121*

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*Dial in or type: 67.217.95.2 or*

*inroomlink.goto.com*

*Or dial directly: 676798557@67.217.95.2 or 67.217.95.2##676798557*

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Liajay Rivera-García, Caribbean Fishery Management Council, 270 Muñoz Rivera Avenue, Suite 401, San Juan,

Puerto Rico 00918-1903, telephone: (787) 766-5926.

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

### August 1, 2024

9 a.m.–10 a.m.

—Roll Call

—Approval of Verbatim Transcripts May 2023

—Overview FEP Development—Sennai Habtes, EBFM TAP Chair

10 a.m.–10:10 a.m.

—Break

10:10 a.m.–12 p.m.

—Working Groups Reports

—Conceptual Models Melding—Tarsila Seara

—Ecosystem Indicators—Sennai Habtes

—Risk Assessment—Tauna Rankin

12 p.m.–1 p.m.

—Lunch Break

1 p.m.–3 p.m.

—Working Groups Reports (Continued)

—Drafting FEP—Sennai Habtes

—Data repository—Liajay Rivera-García

3 p.m.–3:15 p.m.

—Break

3:15 p.m.–5 p.m.

—Ecosystem Status Report—Mandy

Karnauskas

—Risk Assessment Development—Tauna Rankin

### August 2, 2024

9 a.m.–10:30 a.m.

—Other Themes for Discussion

—Lenfest EBFM

—EBFM Roadmap Implementation Plan Updates

—Regional Roadmap Update

10:30 a.m.–10:45 a.m.

—Break

10:45 a.m.–11:15 a.m.

—Other Themes for Discussion (Continued)

—Synergies

—CFMC Portal—Martha Prada

—SERO Ecosystem efforts—María López Mercer

11:15 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

—SEFSC—Kevin McCarthy

12:15 p.m.–1:15 p.m.

—Lunch

1:15 p.m.–3:15 p.m.

—Other Themes for Discussion (Continued)

—Synergies  
 —SEAMAP—C  
 —National SCS8—Tarsila Seara

3:15 p.m.–3:30 p.m.

—Break

3:30 p.m.–5 p.m.

—Future Planning and Coordination of Tasks:  
 —Meeting Schedule, Writing & Revisions Schedule, TAP Review  
 —Outcomes, Products, Deliverables and Deadlines  
 —Coordination of Working Group Leads and Independent Meeting Capacity and Infrastructure  
 —Adjourn

The order of business may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the completion of agenda items. The meeting will begin on August 1, 2024, at 9 a.m. AST, and will end on August 2, 2024 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.

### Special Accommodations

For any additional information on this public virtual meeting, please contact Liajay Rivera-García, Caribbean Fishery Management Council, 270 Muñoz Rivera Avenue, Suite 401, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 00918–1903, telephone: (787) 766–5926.

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Dated: July 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–XE127]

### Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice; public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council’s Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Advisory Panel will hold a public meeting, jointly with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission’s Summer Flounder, Scup and Black Sea Bass Advisory Panel.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Monday, August 5, 2024, from 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. For agenda details, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held via webinar. Webinar connection, agenda items, and any additional information will be available at [www.mafmc.org/council-events](http://www.mafmc.org/council-events).

*Council address:* Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N State Street, Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674–2331 or on their website at [www.mafmc.org](http://www.mafmc.org).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christopher M. Moore, Ph.D., Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, telephone: (302) 526–5255.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of this meeting is to review the recommendations of the Scientific and Statistical Committee and Monitoring Committee for 2025 black sea bass catch and landings limits and to provide additional Advisory Panel input to the Council on 2025 specifications.

### Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Shelley Spedden at the Council Office, (302) 526–5251, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: July 16, 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 Prosecution Highway (PPH) Program

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. The USPTO invites comments on this information collection renewal, which helps the USPTO assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting

burden. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on May 14, 2024 during a 60-day comment period (89 FR 41948). This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comment.

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

*Title:* Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) Program.

*OMB Control Number:* 0651–0058.

*Needs and Uses:* The Patent Prosecution Highway (PPH) is a framework in which an application whose claims have been determined to be patentable by the Office of Earlier Examination (OEE) is eligible to go through an accelerated examination in an Office of Later Examination (OLE) with a simple procedure upon an applicant’s request. By leveraging the search and examination work product of the OEE, PPH programs (1) deliver lower prosecution costs, (2) support applicants in their efforts to obtain stable patent rights efficiently around the world, and (3) reduce the search and examination burden, while improving the examination quality, of participating patent offices.

Initially, the PPH programs were limited to the utilization of search and examination results of national applications between cross filings under the Paris Convention. Later, the potential of the PPH was greatly expanded by the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT)-PPH programs, which permit participating patent offices to draw upon the positive results of the PCT work product from another participating office. PCT-PPH programs use international written opinions and international preliminary examination reports developed within the framework of the PCT, thereby making the PPH available to a larger number of applicants. Information collected for the PCT is approved under the USPTO information collection 0651–0021 (Patent Cooperation Treaty).

More recently, the USPTO and several other offices acted to consolidate and replace existing PPH programs, with the goal of streamlining the PPH process for both offices and applicants. To that end, the USPTO and other offices established the Global PPH pilot program and the IP5 PPH pilot program. Both the Global PPH and IP5 PPH pilot programs are running concurrently and are substantially identical, differing only with regard to their respective participating offices. The USPTO participates in both the Global PPH pilot program and the IP5 PPH pilot program. For USPTO applications, the Global PPH and IP5 PPH pilot programs