

April 6, at 1 p.m. with a closed session to discuss litigation and personnel matters. The open session begins at 1:30 p.m. The Council will reconvene Tuesday, April 7 through Friday, April 10, at 8 a.m. in open session. The Council will meet as late as necessary each day to complete its scheduled business.

The following items are on the Council agenda, but not necessarily in this order:

- A. Call to Order
 1. Opening Remarks, Introductions, Roll Call;
 2. Approve Agenda; and
 3. Approve November 1997 and March 1998 Meeting Minutes;
- B. Salmon Management
 1. Tentative Adoption of 1998 Ocean Salmon Measures for Analysis;
 2. Clarify Council Direction, If Necessary;
 3. Review of Draft Plan Amendments;
 4. Methodology Reviews for 1998;
 5. Identification of Stocks Not Meeting Escapement Goals for three Consecutive Years; and
 6. Final Action on 1998 Measures;
- C. Habitat Issues - Report of the Steering Group
- D. Coastal Pelagic Species Management
 1. Review of Draft Plan Amendments;
 - E. Groundfish Management
 1. NMFS Report on Regulations, Research Projects, etc.;
 2. Status of Fisheries and Inseason Adjustments;
 3. Comprehensive Observer Program;
 4. Review of Draft Plan Amendments;
 5. Lingcod and Rockfish Allocation;
 6. Capacity Reduction Program; and
 7. Groundfish Management Team, Staff, and NMFS Workload;
 - F. Pacific Halibut Management
 1. Area 2A Bycatch Calculation; and
 - G. Administrative and Other Matters
 1. Scoping Session on Marine Protected Areas;
 2. Research and Data Needs;
 3. Update on Dungeness Crab and Other Legislation;
 4. Report of the Budget Committee;
 5. Appointments to Advisory Entities; and
 6. Draft June 1998 Agenda.

Advisory Meetings

The Salmon Technical Team will meet as necessary Monday through Friday, April 6–10, 1998, to address salmon management items on the Council agenda.

The Habitat Steering Group meets at 10 a.m. on Monday, April 6, to address issues and actions affecting habitat of fish species managed by the Council.

The Salmon Advisory Subpanel will convene on Monday, April 6, at 9 a.m.,

and will continue to meet throughout the week as necessary to address salmon management items on the Council agenda.

The Scientific and Statistical Committee will convene on Monday, April 6, at 8 a.m., and on Tuesday, April 7, at 8 a.m.

The Groundfish Management Team will convene on Sunday, April 5, at 2 p.m., and on Monday, April 6, at 8 a.m., and will continue to meet throughout the week as necessary to address groundfish management items on the Council agenda.

The Groundfish Advisory Subpanel will convene on Monday, April 6, at 1 p.m., and on Tuesday, April 7, at 8 a.m., and will continue to meet throughout the week as necessary to address groundfish management items on the Council agenda.

The Buyback Committee will convene on Monday, April 6 at 8 a.m., to address capacity reduction items on the Council agenda.

The Enforcement Consultants meet at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, April 7, to address enforcement issues relating to Council agenda items.

The Budget Committee meets on Monday, April 6, at 11 a.m., to review the status of the 1998 Council budget.

Although other issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Council for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal Council action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda listed in this notice.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mr. Eric W. Greene at (503) 326–6352 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: March 17, 1998.

Bruce C. Morehead,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 031698B]

Western 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 Western Pacific Fishery Council will hold its 95th meeting in Pago Pago, American Samoa.

DATES: The Council's Standing Committees will meet on April 14, 1998. The full Council will meet on April 15–16, 1998. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

ADDRESSES: The 95th Council meeting will be held at the American Samoa Legislature, Fono Guest House, Pago Pago, American Samoa; telephone: (684) 633–4456.

Council address: Western Pacific Fishery Management Council, 1164 Bishop St., Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI 96813.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director; telephone: 808–522–8220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meetings are as follows:

Tuesday, April 14, 1998
7:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.—Enforcement;
8:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.—Crustaceans;
9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.—Vessel Monitoring System (VMS);
10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.—Pelagics and Bottomfish;
1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.—Indigenous Fishing Rights and Ecosystem & Habitat;
3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.—Precious Corals and Executive/Budget & Programming.

The full Council will meet on April 15–16, 1998, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., each day.

The full Council will address the agenda items below. The order in which agenda items will be addressed may change. The Council will meet as late as necessary to complete its scheduled business.

Wednesday, April 15, 1998

A. Call to order, opening remarks, introductions

1. Approval of Agenda and 94th Council Minutes; and

2. Guest Speaker: Ueta Fasili, Assistant Director Dept. of Agriculture, Forests & Fisheries, Samoa

B. Reports from the Islands, American Samoa, Guam, Hawaii, and Northern Mariana Islands (NMI)

C. Enforcement

1. Reports from the U.S. Coast Guard, NMFS Office of Enforcement, and NOAA General Counsel for Enforcement Southwest;

2. Report on Multilateral High Level Conference second intersessional meeting on monitoring, control, & surveillance;

3. Draft cooperative agreement for Guam and NMI;

4. Standing Committee recommendations; and

5. Public comment

D. VMS

1. Status of NMFS Industry Advisory Panel and National VMS Policy;

2. Report on the Hawaii VMS program; and

3. Standing Committee recommendations

E. Pelagics

1. Fourth quarter report for longline fisheries in Hawaii & American Samoa in 1997;

2. Draft amendment for new measure for an area closure for large pelagic vessels in the American Samoa exclusive economic zone (EEZ) (second meeting);

3. Reports on international workshops and meetings;

4. Protected species interactions: albatross, turtles, and sharks;

5. Western Pacific Shark Fishery project;

6. Fishing activity and data issues in the Council EEZ;

7. Status of fishing activities at Midway and Palmyra;

8. Recreational fishing initiatives;

9. Socio-cultural study of pelagic fishing in American Samoa;

10. Scientific and Statistical Committee and Standing Committee recommendations; and

11. Public comment/hearing

F. Crustaceans

1. Lobster annual report (1997 summary);

2. Status of the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands (NWHI) lobster stocks and research;

3. 1998 NWHI lobster harvest guideline determination, consideration of establishment of separate area or bank quotas under the framework procedure, Plan for data collection program;

4. Framework amendment for regulatory changes to the Fishery Management Plan (FMP);

5. Addition of new areas (Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) and U.S. Possessions) to Permit Area 3; Marine Conservation Plans (by island area);

6. Consideration of regulatory measures for the lobster fishing around American Samoa under the FMPs framework procedure;

7. Plan Team/Advisory Panel, SSC, and Standing Committee recommendations; and

8. Public comment/hearing

G. Fishermen's Forum

Thursday, April 16, 1998

A. Guest Speaker: Paul Dalzell, Western Pacific Fishery Council: Unconventional data sources for fisheries management in the Pacific Islands; and

B. Reports from Fishery Agencies and Organizations, including: Department of Commerce NMFS Southwest Region, Southwest Fisheries Science Center, and NOAA Southwest Regional Counsel; Department of the Interior Fish and Wildlife Service;

C. Precious Corals

1. Status of the fishery;

2. Status of amendment to add a framework process to the FMP;

3. Consistency between state and federal regulations;

4. SSC and Standing Committee recommendations; and

5. Public hearing

D. Bottomfish

1. 1997 draft annual report modules from American Samoa, Guam, Hawaii and NMI, including improvement to the modules and region-wide recommendations;

2. "Overfished" Main Hawaiian Islands onaga and ehu (& "stressed" hauupuu), including, research activities, status of Department of Land and Natural Resources' draft management plan and Federal management plan including alternatives (draft amendment);

3. Draft amendment for Mau Zone limited access program and report from the Bottomfish Task Force;

4. Plan Team, SSC and Standing Committee recommendations; and

5. Public comment

E. Native Rights and Indigenous Fishing Issues

1. Review of Marine Conservation Plans from American Samoa, Guam, and NMI;

2. Western Pacific Sustainable Fisheries Fund;

3. Community Development Program Eligibility Criteria;

4. Report on NMFS Vessel Buy-Back Program;

5. Advisory Panel Appointments;

6. Standing Committee recommendations and;

7. Public hearing

F. Ecosystems and Habitat

1. Draft outline and concept for Coral Reef Ecosystem FMP;

2. EIS on Farallon de Mendinilla bombing issue (if available);

3. Advisory Panel, SSC and Standing Committee recommendations; and

4. Public comment

G. Program Planning

1. Review of draft comprehensive Sustainable Fisheries Act Amendment (SFA) (Magnuson-Stevens Act requirement);

2. SFA definitions, provisions, and possible management actions, including, bycatch, fishing sectors, fishing communities, overfishing;

3. Draft Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) amendment, including, description of habitat by Management Unit Species life stage (by FMP), identification and distribution of EFH/Geographic Information System maps (by FMP), review of existing management measures, environmental impacts of fishing and non-fishing activities/ National Environmental Policy Act, identification of possible future habitat conservation and enhancement measures, social/economic impacts of management actions, data and research needs for habitat information;

4. National Vessel Registration and Fisheries Information System;

5. Report on Western Pacific Fisheries Information Network;

6. Revision of Council milestones;

7. Advisory Panel, Plan Teams, SSC and Standing Committee recommendations; and

8. Public comment/hearing

H. Administrative Matters

1. Statement of Organization, Practices, and Procedures revision;

2. Administrative reports;

3. Appointments to the Coral Reef Ecosystem Plan Team and Precious Corals Plan Team;

4. Reports on meetings, workshops, and proposed 96th Council meeting on July 27-29, 1998, in Kailua-Kona;

5. Standing Committees recommendations; and

6. Public comment; and

I. Other Business

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Dated: March 17, 1998.

Bruce C. Morehead,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Change to the DoD 6055.9-STD, "Department of Defense Ammunition and Explosives Safety Standards"

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of change.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense Explosives Safety Board (DDESB) is announcing Board-approved changes to DoD 6055.9-STD, dated August 1997.

The DDESB is taking this action pursuant to its statutory authority as set forth in Title 10, United States Code, Section 172 (10 U.S.C. 172) and DoD Directive 6055.9, "Explosives Safety Board (DDESB) and DoD Component Explosives Safety Responsibilities," July 1996. The Standard is applicable to the Office of the Secretary of the Defense, the Military Departments (including the Army and Air Force National Guards), the Defense Special Weapons Agency, the Defense Logistics Agency, the Coast Guard (when under DoD control) and other parties who produce or manage ammunition or explosives under contract to the DoD. Through DoD 6055.9-STD, the DDESB establishes minimum explosives safety requirements for storing and handling ammunition and explosives. Copies of the Standard may be obtained from the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Technical Information Service (NTIS), 5285 Port Royal Road, Springfield, VA 27161. The change will also be available at the NTIS when approved by the Washington Headquarters Services for publication. The Board-approved change, which includes requirements for storage of waste military munitions, will also be available at the NTIS when published. Since the change can not be published as part of this Notice and in order to relay the change to the States as soon as possible, the Department of Defense has made the Board-approved change available at the following Web address: <http://www.acq.osd.mil/ens/esb/decision.html>. For more detailed information on specific aspects of this change, contact Ray Sawyer by calling

(703) 325-8625 or by writing to Department of Defense Explosives Safety Board, 2461 Eisenhower Avenue, Room 856-C, Alexandria, VA 22331-0600.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Dating back to 1928 when Congress directed the Secretaries of the military departments to establish a joint board officers to "keep informed on stored supplies of ammunition and components thereof * * *, with particular regard to keeping those supplies properly dispersed and stored and to preventing hazardous conditions from arising to endanger life and property inside or outside of storage reservations," The DDESB has periodically revised or updated the Standard based on new scientific or technical information and explosive safety experience. The implementation of a change in DoD 6055.9-STD does not depend on formal publication of the change. The change to the Standard is effective when adopted by the Board, or as the Board may otherwise direct. In order to ensure compliance, the Services and Defense Agencies modify their Service or Agency implementing procedures and standards accordingly. This change to the August 1997 version of DoD 6055.9-STD incorporates decisions the DDESB made at its 315th meeting held on January 21-22, 1998 and by DDESB memorandum dated January 13, 1998.

The changes included herein address the following:

- Expands and clarifies the criteria for the location of barricades between exposed sites and potential explosion sites for protection from fragments and overpressure.

- Clarifies requirements for waivers and exemptions.

- Reduces the minimum fragment distance for Maritime Prepositioning Ships.

- Includes the requirement that installation quantity-distance maps be reconciled with installation master planning documents.

- Modifies the explosive equivalency of liquid oxygen (LO₂)/liquid hydrogen (LH₂) for siting launch vehicles.

- Address storage of waste munitions, that are included in a new Chapter 14, additions to Chapter 8, "Hazard Identification for Fire Fighting" and Chapter 12, "Real Property Contaminated With Explosives or Chemical Agents," and new definitions added to Appendix A.

Dated: March 17, 1998.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0126]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request Entitled Electric Service Territory Compliance Representation

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of request for an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0126).

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning Electric Service Territory Compliance Representation. A request for public comments was published at 63 FR 2218, January 14, 1998. No comments were received.

DATES: Comments may be submitted on or before April 22, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul Linfield, Federal Acquisition Policy Division, GSA (202) 501-1757.

ADDRESSES: Comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, should be submitted to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC 20503, and a copy to the General Services Administration, FAR Secretariat, 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4037, Washington, DC 20405. Please cite OMB Control No. 9000-0126, Electric Service Territory Compliance Representation, in all correspondence.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Purpose

The representation at 52.241-1, Electric Service Territory Compliance Representation, is required when proposed alternatives of electric utility