

have included a freight amount equal to the lesser of: (1) The calculated freight cost of shipping material from the PRC port Taiyuan uses to export finished goods to its PRC factory or (2) the cost of shipping material from the domestic supplier to the factory. *See Final Determination of Sales at Less Than Fair Value: Collated Roofing Nails From the People's Republic of China*, 62 FR 51410, 51413 (October 1, 1997).

Currency Conversion

We made currency conversions pursuant to section 773A(a) of the Act and 19 CFR 353.60 based on the rates certified by the Federal Reserve Bank.

Final Results of the Review

As a result of our comparison of EP and NV, we determine that the following weighted-average margin exists for the period May 1, 1996, through October 31, 1996:

Manufacturer/producer/exporter	Percent margin
Taiyuan Heavy Machinery Import and Export Corporation	69.53

The Customs Service shall assess antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. Individual differences between export price and normal value may vary from the percentage stated above. We have calculated an importer-specific duty assessment rate based on the ratio of the total amount of AD duties calculated for the examined sales made during the POR to the total value of subject merchandise entered during the POR. This rate will be assessed uniformly on all entries of that particular importer made during the POR. The Department will issue appraisement instructions concerning the respondent directly to the U.S. Customs Service.

Furthermore, the following deposit rates shall be required for merchandise, entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date of these final results of administrative review, as provided for by section 751(a)(1) of the Tariff Act: (1) The cash deposit rate for Taiyuan will be the rate indicated above; (2) for previously reviewed or investigated companies not listed above that have a separate rate, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recent period; (3) for all remaining PRC exporters, the cash deposit rate will be 108.26 percent, the PRC-wide rate established in the LTFV investigation; and (4) for non-PRC exporters, the cash deposit rate will be the rate applicable to the PRC supplier of that exporter.

These deposit requirements shall remain in effect until publication of the final results of the next administrative review.

This notice serves as the final reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 353.26 to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during the review period. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in the Secretary's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of double antidumping duties.

This notice also serves as a reminder to parties subject to administrative protective order (APO) of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 353.34(d). Timely written notification or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and terms of the APO is a sanctionable violation.

This new shipper administrative review and notice are in accordance with section 751(a)(2)(B) of the Act (19 U.S.C. 1675(a)(2)(B)) and 19 CFR 353.28(c).

Dated: January 14, 1998.

Robert S. LaRussa,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 011398C]

North 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 North Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) and its advisory committees will hold public meetings in Anchorage, AK.

DATES: The meetings will be held the week of February 2, 1998. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times of the meetings.

ADDRESSES: All meetings will be held at the Anchorage Hilton Hotel, 500 W. 3rd Avenue, Anchorage, AK. All meetings

are open to the public with the exception of a Council executive session tentatively scheduled for noon on Thursday, February 5, to discuss personnel, international issues, or litigation, as necessary.

Council address: North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 W. 4th Ave., Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501-2252.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Council staff, telephone: 907-271-2809.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. The Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) will meet beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, February 2, continuing through Wednesday, February 4.

2. The Advisory Panel (AP) will begin meeting at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, February 2, and continue through Thursday, February 5.

3. The Council will meet in joint session with the Alaska Board of Fisheries on Tuesday, February 3, 1998, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

4. NMFS will hold a workshop on preliminary essential fish habit reports to gather public comments on Thursday, February 5, at 7:00 p.m.

5. The Council's regular plenary session will begin at 8:00 a.m. on Wednesday, February 4, and continue through Sunday, February 8. If necessary to complete the agenda, the Council may continue meeting on Monday, February 9.

Other workgroup or committee meetings may be held during the week. Notices of these meetings will be posted at the hotel.

The agenda for the Council's joint meeting with the Alaska Board of Fisheries will include the following:

1. Under halibut management, the Council and Board will discuss the following subjects:

a. Status report on Alaska Department of Fish and Game charterboat logbook;
b. Status report on Council's halibut charterboat guideline harvest level and management measures used off Oregon and Washington for recreations fisheries; and

c. Review and approve draft protocol on development of local area fishery management plans;

2. Groundfish issues for discussion are:

a. State waters Pacific cod fisheries;
b. Approval of letter to industry encouraging resolution of gear conflicts within industry; and

c. Ways to improve exchange of proposals.

3. Crab issues to be discussed are:
a. Status report on development of crab stock assessment document and overfishing definitions; and

b. Extension of overfishing and rebuilding considerations to species outside fishery management plans.

4. Deferral of scallop management to State of Alaska and discussion of limited entry considerations for the scallop fishery.

5. Report on Steller sea lion research.

6. Reports on bycatch estimation.

7. Discuss need to continue requirement for salmon bycatch retention until counted by an observer.

The agenda for the Council's plenary session will include the following issues. The Council may take appropriate action on any of the issues identified.

1. A report from NMFS on the current status of the fisheries off Alaska, and a report from the International Pacific Halibut Commission on 1998 halibut quotas.

2. Final action on a third-party arrangement (joint project agreement) for observer procurement services.

3. Preliminary review of analysis for the allocation of pollock between inshore and offshore fisheries; direct staff on further development of alternatives.

4. Preliminary review of an amendment to the fishery management plans to incorporate essential fish habitat information as required by the Magnuson Act; direction to staff.

5. Final action on research priorities.

6. Review the local area management plan for Sitka Sound halibut, and discuss area management plans in general; determine how to proceed; direction to staff.

7. Under the Council's license limitation program for groundfish and crab, the following items will be discussed:

a. Crab buyback program: status report and discussion;

b. Discussion and direction to staff on potential amendments to the program;

c. Discussion of multi-species community development quota regulations with regard to vessel exemptions; direction to staff; and

d. Discussion and direction to staff on extension of the current moratorium on entry to the groundfish and crab fisheries off Alaska.

8. Status report on Amendment 3 to the Scallop Fishery Management Plan, and discussion of future limited entry program; direction to staff.

9. Groundfish amendments scheduled for action are as follows:

a. Final action on a regulatory amendment to revise Gulf of Alaska (GOA) trimester pollock allocations;

b. Final action on an amendment for stand-down and/or preregistration requirements in the Western and Central GOA;

c. Initial review of options to streamline the setting of total allowable catches; directions to staff to release for public review and/or revise;

d. Final action on an amendment to allocate shortraker/rougheye quota to fixed gear in the Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands;

e. Initial review of an amendment to revise boundaries for Eastern GOA regulatory area; and

f. Discussion and direction to staff on possible bycatch amendments.

9. Other groundfish issues scheduled for discussion are: a. Trip limits in the Western and Central GOA; direction to staff;

b. Salmon bycatch retention issues; direction to staff;

c. Catch and bycatch measurement; direction to staff; and

d. Vessel bycatch accounts; direction to staff.

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 the 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 Helen Allen, 907-271-2809, at least 5 working days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: January 14, 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. 011398B]

Marine Mammals; Scientific Research Permit (PHF# 369-1440)

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

ACTION: Receipt of application.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Dr. Bruce Mate, Hatfield Marine Science Center, Oregon State University, 2030

South Marine Science Drive, Newport, OR 97365-5296, has applied in due form for a permit to take humpback (*Megaptera novaeangliae*), blue, (*Balaenoptera musculus*), gray (*Eschrichtius robustus*), northern right (*Eubalaena glacialis*), bowhead (*Balaena mysticetus*), fin (*Balaenoptera physalus*), and sperm whales (*Physeter macrocephalus*) for purposes of scientific research.

DATES: Written or telefaxed comments must be received on or before February 20, 1998.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment.

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this application should be mailed to the Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13822, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

Comments may also be submitted by facsimile at (301) 713-0376, provided the facsimile is confirmed by hard copy submitted by mail and postmarked no later than the closing date of the comment period. Please note that comments will not be accepted by email or other electronic media.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (MMPA; 16 U.S.C. 1361 et seq.), the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216) and the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered fish and wildlife (50 CFR 222.23).

The applicant seeks authorization to tag and collect a skin sample from 100 each of various large whale species in the North Pacific, North Atlantic, and Gulf of Mexico over a five-year period. Approximately 1,000 additional whales of each species may be harassed during these activities. In addition, the applicant wishes to conduct non-invasive, opportunistic research on various pinniped and cetacean species.

The application and related documents are available for review