

understand large river delta ecosystems and the physio-chemical processes associated with altering nearshore habitats, e.g., trophic web effects, plant and animal community dynamics, and forage fish population fluctuations. The USGS would sample once per month in each area from April through September, but extra sampling (1–8 days per quarter) may sometimes be needed. Lampara nets would be the primary capture method, but beach seines, dip nets, gill nets, and angling may also be used. The researchers would identify, weigh, and measure any captured fish. All captured salmonids would immediately be processed and released near their capture location. Forage fish would be counted, measured, weighed, and some may be sacrificed for otoliths, genetics, and fish health assays. All sampling plans would be reviewed and approved by the USGS Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee before being implemented. The researchers do not propose to kill any of the listed salmonids being captured, but a small number may die as an unintended result of the activities.

#### *Permit 16302*

The UW is seeking a 3-year research permit to annually take juvenile PS Chinook salmon and PS steelhead. The UW would conduct fish surveys along the Elliott Bay seawall between piers 48 and 70, with reference sites in other parts of Elliott Bay. The purpose of the survey is to determine fish presence, use, and behavior in the Elliott Bay seawall reconstruction project area. It would also help establish pre-construction baseline conditions for the Elliott Bay seawall project and support the development of the project's environmental impact statement and other supporting environmental documentation. The fieldwork would continue for at least 18 months, with sampling every month. The work would benefit the fish by helping managers minimize or mitigate any impact the seawall project may have on them as it goes forward. The UW would capture fish using purse seines and beach seines. The majority (75%) of the juvenile Chinook salmon and steelhead would be counted, checked for external marks and internal coded-wire tags, measured, and released. The other 25% of the captured juvenile Chinook and steelhead would have their stomach contents sampled before being released. The UW does not propose to kill any fish being captured but some may die as an unintentional result of the activities.

This notice is provided pursuant to section 10(c) of the ESA. NMFS will evaluate the applications, associated

documents, and comments submitted to determine whether the applications meet the requirements of section 10(a) of the ESA and Federal regulations. The final permit decisions will not be made until after the end of the 30-day comment period. NMFS will publish notice of its final action in the **Federal Register**.

Dated: May 5, 2011.

**Angela Somma,**

*Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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

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

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

**SUMMARY:** The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council's (Council) Squid, Mackerel, Butterfish Monitoring Committee will hold a public meeting.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on May 27, 2011 from 9 a.m. until 12 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held via webinar with a listening station also available at the Council address below. Webinar registration: <https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/406935464>.

*Council address:* Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N. State Street, Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; *telephone:* (302) 674–2331.

#### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Christopher M. Moore Ph.D., Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N. State Street, Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; *telephone:* (302) 526–5255.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The primary purpose of the meeting is to develop recommendations for the Council regarding the management of Atlantic mackerel, butterfish, *Loligo* and *Illex* Squids for 2012, including annual catch limits, annual catch targets, and accountability measures.

#### **Special Accommodations**

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other

auxiliary aids should be directed to M. Jan Saunders at the Mid-Atlantic Council Office, (302) 526–5251, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: May 5, 2011.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### Interagency Ocean Observation Committee, Meeting of the Data Management and Communications Steering Team

**AGENCY:** National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC).

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** NOAA's Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS) Program publishes this notice on behalf of the Interagency Ocean Observation Committee (IOOC) to announce a formal meeting of the IOOC's Data Management and Communications Steering Team (DMAC–ST). The DMAC–ST membership is comprised of IOOC-approved federal agency representatives who will discuss issues outlined in the agenda.

**DATES:** The meeting is scheduled for May 11, 2011, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. and May 12, 2011 between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be broadcast via a conference telephone call. Public access is available at 1100 Wayne Avenue, Suite 1225, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For further information about this notice, please contact the U.S. IOOS Program (Samuel Walker, 301–427–2450, [sam.walker@noaa.gov](mailto:sam.walker@noaa.gov)) or the IOOC Support Office (Joshua Young, 202–787–1622, [jyoung@oceanleadership.org](mailto:jyoung@oceanleadership.org)).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The IOOC was established by Congress under the Integrated Coastal and Ocean Observation System Act of 2009 and created under the National Ocean Research Leadership Council (NORLC). The DMAC–ST was subsequently chartered by the IOOC in December 2010 to assist with technical guidance with respect to the management of ocean data collected under the U.S.

IOOS. The IOOC's Web site (<http://www.iooc.us/>) contains more information about their charter and responsibilities. A summary of the DMAC-ST meetings, documentations, activities and terms of reference can also be found on-line, at the following address: <http://www.iooc.us/committee-news/dmac>.

Date: May 3, 2011.

**Christopher C. Cartwright,**

*Associate Assistant Administrator for Management and CFO/CAO, Ocean Services and Coastal Zone Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### National Climate Assessment and Development Advisory Committee (NCADAC); Notice of Open Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

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

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the DoC NOAA National Climate Assessment and Development Advisory Committee (NCADAC).

The members will discuss and provide advice on issues outlined below.

**Date and Time:** The meeting is scheduled for: Friday, May 20, from 1-5 p.m. Eastern Time.

**ADDRESSES:** Conference call. Public access will be available at the office of the U.S. Global Change Research Program, Conference Room A, Suite 250, 1717 Pennsylvania Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20006. Please check the National Climate Assessment Web site for additional information at <http://www.globalchange.gov/what-we-do/assessment>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Cynthia Decker, Designated Federal Official, National Climate Assessment and Development Advisory Board, NOAA, Rm. 11230, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910. (Phone: 301-734-1156, Fax: 301-713-1459, E-mail: [Cynthia.decker@noaa.gov](mailto:Cynthia.decker@noaa.gov)). Individuals planning to attend are requested to RSVP to Dr. Decker because space may be limited at the venue.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The National Climate Assessment and Development Advisory Committee was established in December 2010. The committee's mission is to synthesize and summarize the science and information pertaining to current and future impacts of climate change upon the United States; and to provide advice and recommendations toward the development of an ongoing, sustainable national assessment of global change impacts and adaptation and mitigation strategies for the Nation. Within the scope of its mission, the committee's specific objective is to produce a National Climate Assessment.

#### Matters To Be Considered

Consideration of white papers provided by ad hoc working groups on the subjects of:

1. The National Climate Assessment Interim Strategy, the NCA Draft Outline, and Federal Activities.
2. Engagement Strategy and Requests for Information.
3. Scenarios and Regional Summaries.
4. Peer Review, Data Management and Development of a NCA Portal.

**Status:** The meeting will be open to public participation with a 10-minute public comment period from 4:45-4:55 p.m. The NCADAC expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted verbal or written statements. In general, each individual or group making a verbal presentation will be limited to a total time of two minutes. Written comments should be received in the NCADAC DFO's office by May 16, 2011 to provide sufficient time for NCADAC review. Written comments received by the NCADAC DFO after May 16, 2011, will be distributed to the NCADAC, but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting date.

Dated: May 4, 2011.

**Mark E. Brown,**

*Chief Financial Officer/Chief Administrative Officer, Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### United States Patent and Trademark Office

#### Representative and Address Provisions

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; comment request.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the continuing information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before July 11, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- *E-mail:*

[InformationCollection@uspto.gov](mailto:InformationCollection@uspto.gov).

Include "0651-0035 comment" in the subject line of the message.

- *Mail:* Susan K. Fawcett, Records Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information should be directed to Raul Tamayo, Legal Advisor, Office of Patent Legal Administration, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450; by telephone at 571-272-7728; or by e-mail to [Raul.Tamayo@uspto.gov](mailto:Raul.Tamayo@uspto.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

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