

does climate change. However, given the rapid rebuilding of the barndoor skate, the rebuilt population of the winter skate, and the lack of available information on climate impacts on smooth skate abundance, available information does not indicate that life history characteristics or climate change pose a significant threat to the skate species. Because we have concluded that the petitioned action to list barndoor, winter and/or smooth skates is not warranted, we do not need to designate critical habitat or consider the need to list other skate species on the basis of similarity of appearance, as requested by the petitioner.

#### Petition Finding

Based on the above information and the criteria specified in 50 CFR 424.14(b)(2), after reviewing the information contained in the petition and information readily available in our files, we conclude that the petition fails to present substantial scientific or commercial information indicating that the petitioned action concerning barndoor, smooth and/or winter skate may be warranted.

#### References Cited

A complete list of the references used in this finding is available upon request (see **ADDRESSES**).

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*

Dated: December 14, 2011.

**Samuel D. Rauch III,**

*Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**RIN 0648-XA878**

#### Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings and Hearings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of reports; public meetings, and hearings.

**SUMMARY:** The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Pacific Council) has begun its annual preseason management process for the 2012 ocean salmon fisheries. This document announces the availability of Pacific Council documents as well as the dates and locations of Pacific Council

meetings and public hearings comprising the Pacific Council's complete schedule of events for determining the annual proposed and final modifications to ocean salmon fishery management measures. The agendas for the March and April 2012 Pacific Council meetings will be published in subsequent **Federal Register** documents prior to the actual meetings.

**DATES:** Written comments on the salmon management alternatives must be received by 11:59 p.m. Pacific Time, March 26, 2012.

**ADDRESSES:** Documents will be available from, and written comments should be sent to, Mr. Dan Wolford, Chairman, Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220-1384, telephone: (503) 820-2280 (voice) or (503) 820-2299 (fax). Comments can also be submitted via email at [PFMC.comments@noaa.gov](mailto:PFMC.comments@noaa.gov) address, or through the internet at the Federal Rulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments, and include the I.D. number in the subject line of the message. For specific meeting and hearing locations, see supplementary information.

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

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Chuck Tracy, telephone: (503) 820-2280.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Schedule for Document Completion and Availability

February 16, 2012: "Review of 2011 Ocean Salmon Fisheries" will be mailed to the public and posted on the Council Web site at <http://www.pcouncil.org>.

March 1, 2012: "Preseason Report I-Stock Abundance Analysis and Environmental Assessment Part 1 for 2012 Ocean Salmon Fishery Regulations" will be mailed to the public and posted on the Council Web site at <http://www.pcouncil.org>.

March 22, 2012: "Preseason Report II-Proposed Alternatives and Environmental Assessment Part 2 for 2012 Ocean Salmon Fishery Regulations" and public hearing schedule will be mailed to the public and posted on the Council Web site at <http://www.pcouncil.org>. The report will include a description of the adopted salmon management alternatives and a summary of their biological and economic impacts.

April 20, 2012: "Preseason Report III-Analysis of Council-Adopted Ocean Salmon Management Measures for 2011 Ocean Salmon Fisheries" will be mailed to the public and posted on the Council Web site at <http://www.pcouncil.org>.

May 1, 2012: Federal regulations for 2012 ocean salmon regulations will be published in the **Federal Register** and implemented.

#### Meetings and Hearings

January 17-20, 2012: The Salmon Technical Team (STT) will meet at the Pacific Council office in a public work session to draft "Review of 2011 Ocean Salmon Fisheries" and to consider any other estimation or methodology issues pertinent to the 2012 ocean salmon fisheries.

February 21-24, 2012: The STT will meet at the Pacific Council office in a public work session to draft "Preseason Report I-Stock Abundance Analysis and Environmental Assessment Part 1 for 2012 Ocean Salmon Fishery Regulations" and to consider any other estimation or methodology issues pertinent to the 2012 ocean salmon fisheries.

March 26-27, 2012: Public hearings will be held to receive comments on the proposed ocean salmon fishery management options adopted by the Pacific Council. Written comments received at the public hearings, and a summary of oral comments at the hearings will be provided to the Council at its April meeting.

All public hearings begin at 7 p.m. at the following locations:

March 26, 2012: Chateau Westport, Beach Room, 710 W Hancock, Westport, WA 98595, telephone: (360) 268-9101.

March 26, 2012: Red Lion Hotel, Umpqua Room, 1313 N Bayshore Drive, Coos Bay, OR 97420, telephone: (541) 267-4141.

March 27, 2012: Red Lion Eureka, Evergreen Room, 1929 Fourth Street, Eureka, CA 95501, telephone: (707) 445-0844.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the STT meeting agendas may come before the STT for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal STT action during these meetings. STT action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and to any issues arising after publication of this document requiring emergency action under Section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the STT's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

**Special Accommodations**

These public meetings and hearings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Ms. Carolyn Porter at (503) 820-2280 (voice), or (503) 820-2299 (fax) at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: December 14, 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**

**RIN 0648-XA876**

**New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting**

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

**ACTION:** Notice; public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Monkfish Oversight Committee, in January, 2012, to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

**DATES:** This meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 10, 2012 at 10 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** This meeting will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn, One Thurber Street, Warwick, RI 02886; telephone: (401) 734-9600; fax: (401) 734-9700.

*Council address:* New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of this meeting is to consider recommending that the Council establish a control date pertaining to management of the monkfish fishery including, but not limited to, accumulation limits, and to begin outlining the range of alternatives to meet the Amendment 6 goals and objectives.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come

before this group for discussion, 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 Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

**Special Accommodations**

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, at (978) 465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: December 14, 2011.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

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

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**COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION****Sunshine Act Meetings**

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** 10 a.m., Friday, January 27, 2012.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St. NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Commission Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED**

Surveillance and Enforcement Matters. In the event that the times or dates of these or any future meetings change, an announcement of the change, along with the new time and place of the meeting will be posted on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.cftc.gov>.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** Sauntia S. Warfield, (202) 418-5084.

**Sauntia S. Warfield,**

*Assistant Secretary of the Commission.*

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**COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION****Sunshine Act Meetings**

The following notice of scheduled meetings is published pursuant to the

provisions of the Government in the Sunshine Act, Public Law 94-409, 5 U.S.C. 552b.

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETINGS:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**TIMES AND DATES:** The Commission has scheduled meetings for the following dates:

January 11, 2012 at 9:30 a.m.

January 17, 2012 at 9:30 a.m.

February 9, 2012 at 9:30 a.m.

February 23, 2012 at 9:30 a.m.

The meeting that was previously scheduled for January 5, 2012 has been cancelled.

**PLACE:** Three Lafayette Center, 1155 21st St. NW., Washington, DC, Lobby Level Hearing Room (Room 1300).

**STATUS:** Open.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** The Commission has scheduled these meetings to consider various rulemaking matters, including the issuance of proposed rules and the approval of final rules. The Commission may also consider and vote on dates and times for future meetings. Agendas for each of the scheduled meetings will be made available to the public and posted on the Commission's Web site at <http://www.cftc.gov> at least seven (7) days prior to the meeting. In the event that the times or dates of the meetings change, an announcement of the change, along with the new time and place of the meeting will be posted on the Commission's Web site.

**CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION:** David A. Stawick, Secretary of the Commission, 202-418-5071.

**David A. Stawick,**

*Secretary of the Commission.*

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**COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION****Sunshine Act Meetings**

**AGENCY HOLDING THE MEETING:** Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

**TIME AND DATE:** 10 a.m., Friday, January 20, 2012.

**PLACE:** 1155 21st St. NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Commission Conference Room.

**STATUS:** Closed.

**MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED**

Surveillance and Enforcement Matters. In the event that the times or dates of these or any future meetings change, an announcement of the change,