

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee will further develop alternatives for consideration in the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) for Amendment 11. These final recommendations will be forwarded to the full Council for approval at the September 2006 Council Meeting. The Committee will also have a presentation on the updated exploitable estimate for the Elephant Trunk Area. No action is necessary by the Committee or Council - this is an informative report from the Scallop Plan Development Team. The Committee may consider other topics at their discretion.

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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.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 081706F]

New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice; public meetings.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council's (NEFMC) Herring Oversight and Advisory Panel along with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC) Section and Advisory Panel will meet to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).

DATES: The meetings will be held in September 2006. For specific dates and times, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Sheraton Ferncroft, 50 Ferncroft Road, Danvers, MA; telephone: (978) 777-2500.

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:

Agenda

Monday, September 11, 2006 - Joint NEFMC and ASMFC Advisory Panel Meeting, at 10 a.m.

1. Review alternatives under consideration for 2007-09 herring fishery specifications and additional background information/analysis.
2. Discuss 2007-09 specifications and develop joint advisory panel recommendations regarding: allowable biological catch (ABC), domestic annual harvesting (DAH), domestic annual processing (DAP), joint venture processing (JVP), total allowable level of foreign fishing (TALFF), border transfer (BT), U.S. at-sea processing (USAP), optimum yield (OY) and area-specific total allowable catches area-specific (TACs), Research Set-Asides (RSAs) and set-asides for fixed gear fisheries.
3. Discuss ASMFC-only issues for 2007-09 Fishery Specifications and develop Advisory Panel recommendations.

Tuesday, September 12, 2006 - Joint NEFMC Herring Oversight Committee and ASMFC Section Meeting, at 9 a.m.

1. Review alternatives under consideration for 2007-09 fishery specifications and additional background information/analysis.
2. Receive report from Joint Herring Advisory Panel meeting and summary of panel's recommendations.
3. Discuss Amendment 1 submission status and related issues.
4. Discuss 2007-09 specifications and develop Herring Committee and Section recommendations regarding: ABC, DAH, DAP, JVP, TALFF, BT, USAP, OY,

TACs, RSA and set-asides for fixed gear fisheries.

5. ASMFC Section: Discuss ASMFC-only issues for 2007-09 Fishery Specifications and develop recommendations.

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Special Accommodations

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 081706D]

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 Habitat/MPA/Ecosystem Committee Meeting in September, 2006 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: The meeting will be held on Thursday, September 7, 2006, at 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Hampton Inn, One Hampton Way,

Fairhaven, MA 02719; telephone: (508) 990-8500; fax: (508) 990-0183.

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 Committee will review and recommend for Council consideration essential fish habitat (EFH) designation alternatives for inclusion in Phase 1 of the EFH Omnibus Amendment 2 for Atlantic salmon and Deep-sea red crab. The committee will also review and recommend for Council consideration a range of habitat areas of particular concern (HAPC) alternatives for inclusion in Phase 1 of the EFH Omnibus Amendment 2. In addition, the committee will review and recommend for Council consideration a prey species identification section for inclusion in Phase 1 of the EFH Omnibus Amendment 2 for all Council-managed species. The Committee will also review a non-fishing impacts section for inclusion in Phase 1 of the EFH Omnibus Amendment 2 as well as discuss and consider topics covered at the August 15, 2006 Habitat Advisory Panel meeting. Other topics may be covered at the committee's discretion.

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Special Accommodations

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 081706C]

North Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of a public committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The North Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Crab Plan Team will meet in Anchorage, AK.

DATES: The meeting will be held on September 13, 14 and 15, 2006. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific times.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Captain Cook Hotel, Quadrant Room, 4th and K Street, Anchorage, AK.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diana Stram, North Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: (907) 271-2809.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 13, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday, September 14, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Friday, September 15, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The agenda includes the following: Review crab overfishing definitions; review NMFS and Alaska Department of Fish & Game (ADF&G) surveys; review model and assessment results from Bristol Bay Red King Crab and Bering Sea Snow Crab; review and compile the Stock Assessment Fishery Evaluation Report; make recommendations on crab bycatch and Essential Fish Habitat considerations; discuss issues and timing for May 2007 meetings; other business.

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

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Gail Bendixen, (907) 271-2809, at least 5 working days prior to the meeting date.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 081706E]

Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Salmon Advisory Subpanel (SAS) will hold a work session by telephone conference, which is open to the public, to develop recommendations for the September Council meeting.

DATES: The telephone conference will be held Thursday, September 7, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: A listening station will be available at the Pacific Fishery Management Council, Small Conference Room, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220-1384; telephone: (503) 820-2280.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220-1384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Chuck Tracy, Salmon Management Staff Officer, Pacific Fishery Management Council; (503) 820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the work session is to review information in the Council briefing book related to salmon and Pacific halibut management, and to develop comments and recommendations for consideration at the November Council meeting.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may come before the SAS for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal SAS action during this meeting.