

ii. A negotiated repayment schedule is established and at least one payment is received, or

iii. Other arrangements satisfactory to DOC are made.

(6) Name Check Review

All non-profit applicants are subject to a name check review process. Name checks are intended to reveal if any key individuals associated with the applicant have been convicted of or are presently facing criminal charges such as fraud, theft, perjury, or other matters which significantly reflect on the applicant's management honesty or financial integrity.

(7) Primary Applicant Certifications

All primary applicants must submit a completed form CD-511, "Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters; Drug-free Workplace Requirements and Lobbying," and the following explanations are hereby provided:

i. *Nonprocurement Debarment and Suspension.* Prospective participants (as defined at 15 CFR part 26, Section 105) are subject to 15 CFR part 26, "Nonprocurement Debarment and Suspension" and the related section of the certification form prescribed above applies;

ii. *Drug-Free Workplace.* Recipients (as defined at 15 CFR part 26, section 605) are subject to 15 CFR part 26, Subpart F, "Government requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants)" and related section of the certification form prescribed above applies;

iii. *Anti-Lobbying.* Persons (as defined at 15 CFR part 26, section 105) are subject to the lobbying provisions of 31 U.S.C. 1352, "Limitations on use of appropriated funds to influence certain Federal contracting and financial transactions," and the lobbying section of the certification form prescribed above applies to applications/bids for grants, cooperative agreements, and contracts for more than \$100,000, and loans and loan guarantees for more than \$150,000, or the single family maximum mortgage limit for affected programs, whichever is greater; and

iv. *Anti-Lobbying Disclosures.* Any applicant that has paid or will pay for lobbying using any funds must submit an SF-LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," as required under 15 CFR part 28, Appendix B.

(8) Lower Tier Certifications.

Recipient shall require applicants/subidders for subgrants, contracts, subcontracts or other lower tier covered transactions at any tier under the award to submit, if applicable, a completed

form CD-512, "Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion-Lower Tier Covered Transactions and Lobbying" and disclosure form SF-LLL

"Disclosure of Lobbying Activities." Form CD-512 is intended for the use of recipient and should not be transmitted to DOC. SF-LLL submitted by any tier recipient or subrecipient should be submitted to DOC in accordance with the instructions contained in the award document.

(9) False Statements.

A False statement on an application is grounds for denial or termination of funds and grounds for possible punishment by a fine or imprisonment as provided in 18 U.S.C. 1001.

(10) Intergovernmental Review.

Applications under this program are not subject to executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."

(11) Paperwork Reduction

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to nor shall a person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with a collection of information subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act unless that collection of information displays a current valid OMB control number. This Notice involves collections of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act, which have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget under OMB Control Numbers 0348-0043, 0348-0044, 0348-0040 and 0348-0046.

(12) Executive Order 12866

It was determined that this notice was not significant under Executive Order 12866.

Captain Evelyn J. Fields,

Deputy Assistant Administrator for Ocean Services and Coastal Zone Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 082098C]

Federal Investment Task Force; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Sustainable Fisheries Act (SFA) requires the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) to establish a task force to study the role of the Federal Government in subsidizing fleet capacity and influencing capital investment in fisheries. The Federal Investment Task Force will hold its fifth meeting on August 31 - September 2, 1998, in Baltimore, MD.

DATES: The meeting of the task force will be held August 31 - September 2, 1998. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn Inner Harbor, 301 W. Lombard St., Baltimore, MD, telephone (410) 685-3500.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Reisenweber, Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, (301) 713-2363; fax: (301) 713-1875; email: john.reisenweber@noaa.gov; or Matteo Milazzo, (301) 713-2276.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Meeting Dates

August 31, 1998, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Task Force will review the draft buyback paper presented at the previous meeting. The Task Force will also review the data collected on the FOG/FFP Program.

August 31, 1998, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The Task Force will hear public input regarding the Federal Investment Study. The public is encouraged to comment on the general scope and concept of the study, as well as the effect of Federal programs on the capacity and capitalization of fishing fleets.

September 1, 8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

The Task Force will discuss and review the draft capacity paper. The Task Force will also discuss and review the draft report on the CCF program.

September 2, 1998, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Task Force will discuss other government programs/policies as they relate to capacity and capitalization in the nation's fisheries. These programs will include: Wallop-Breaux, Saltonstall-Kennedy, Sea Grant, USDA Marketing and Promotion, and the Jones Act. In addition, the regional reports will also be discussed.

The Task Force will also determine the subjects and topics to be included on the agenda for the next meeting.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to those with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to John

Reisenweber at (301) 713-2363 at least 10 business days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: August 20, 1998.

Gary C. Matlock,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 081098C]

Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council will convene a public meeting of an Ad Hoc Technical Review Panel (Panel).

DATES: This meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, September 2, 1998 and conclude by 3:30 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 333 Poydras Street, New Orleans, LA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Wayne E. Swingle, Executive Director, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 3018 U.S. Highway 301 North, Suite 1000, Tampa, FL 33619; telephone: 813-228-2815.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The panel, consisting of Council members with technical backgrounds, will review analyses on the effectiveness of shrimp trawl bycatch reduction devices (BRDs) in reducing the number of juvenile red snapper taken as bycatch. NMFS will complete their analyses based on an ongoing observer program (63 FR 27485, May 19, 1998) that is collecting data on the effectiveness of the BRDs being used in trawls on commercial shrimp vessels in the Gulf.

NMFS will use the data collected to determine if all or a portion of an additional 3.12 million pounds (MP) of red snapper will be allocated to recreational and commercial fishermen in September. That action is based on an interim rule (63 FR 18144, April 14, 1998) implemented by NMFS whereby the 3.12 MP allocation was withheld contingent upon the BRDs reducing the bycatch of juvenile red snapper by 60 percent. Ten percent of the allocation will be released for each percent of

bycatch reduction over 50 percent, as determined by the observer program.

Copies of the agenda can be obtained by calling 813-228-2815.

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

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Anne Alford at the Council (see **ADDRESSES**) by August 26, 1998.

Dated: August 17, 1998.

Gary C. Matlock,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D.081798A]

Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given of meetings of the Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee (MAFAC) from September 23-25, 1998.

DATES: The meetings are scheduled as follows:

1. September 23, 1998, 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
2. September 24, 1998, 8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
3. September 25, 1998, 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Turf Valley Resort and Conference Center, 2700 Turf Valley Road, Ellicott City, MD. Requests for special accommodations may be directed to MAFAC, Office of Operations, Management and Information, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elizabeth Lu Cano, Executive Secretary; telephone: (301) 713-2252.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: As required by section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1982), notice is hereby given of meetings of MAFAC and MAFAC Subcommittees. MAFAC was established by the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) on February 17, 1971, to advise the Secretary on all living marine resource matters that are the responsibility of the Department of Commerce. This Committee ensures that the living marine resource policies and programs of the Nation are adequate to meet the needs of commercial and recreational fisheries, and of environmental, state, consumer, academic, and other national interests.

Matters to be Considered

September 23, 1998 Vision and mission of fisheries into the next millennium

Role of the Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee for the future

September 24, 1998

Strategic plan for fisheries for the next 5 years

Priority program areas and budgetary issues for fisheries

Summary and recommendations for final report

September 25, 1998

Budget, Legislative and Steering Committee Reports

Report and discussion on the status of the Oceans Act, Vessels, NOAA Corps, and Personnel Changes

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to MAFAC (see **ADDRESSES**).

Dated: August 19, 1998.

Andrew A. Rosenberg,

Deputy Assistant Administrator, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 072498A]

Marine Mammals

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit amendment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Southwest Fisheries Science Center,