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Dated: September 28, 2009.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Gulf of Mexico 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 Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene public meetings.

DATES: The meetings will be held October 19 - 22, 2009. See

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION for specific dates and times.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Holiday Inn, 1102 S. Shoreline Blvd., Corpus Christi, TX 78401.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 North Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Stephen Bortone, Executive Director, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 348-1630.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Council

Wednesday, October 21, 2009

10:30 a.m. - The Council meeting will begin with a review of the agenda and minutes and approve the Committee Appointments.

11 a.m. - 12 noon - The Council will receive a presentation on Catch Shares Task Force.

1:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. - They will receive public testimony on exempted fishing permits (EFPs), if any; Modifications to Reef Fish Amendment 29; and the Council will hold an open public comment period regarding any fishery issue of concern. People wishing to speak before the Council should complete a public comment card prior to the comment period.

Thursday, October 22, 2009

8:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m. - The Council will review and discuss reports from the committee meetings as follows: Reef Fish Management; Administrative Policy; Data Collection; Spiny Lobster/Stone Crab Management; Sustainable Fisheries/Ecosystem; Coastal Migratory Pelagics (Mackerel) Management; Shrimp Management; AP Selection Committee and SEDAR Selection Committee.

12:45 p.m. - 1 p.m. - Other Business items will follow. The Council will conclude its meeting at approximately 1 p.m.

Committees

Monday, October 19, 2009

9 a.m. - 10 a.m. - CLOSED SESSION (Full Council) - The Administrative Policy Committee will discuss Administrative Matters.

10 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. - CLOSED SESSION (Full Council) - The SEDAR Selection Committee will approve the SEDAR 19 (Black Grouper) Review Workshop Participants; select the SEDAR 22 (Yellowedge Grouper and Tilefish) Data Workshop Participants and the SEDAR Procedural Workshop IV - Characterizing Uncertainty Participants.

10:30 a.m. - 11 a.m. - CLOSED SESSION (Full Council) - The AP Selection Committee will appoint the Chair and Vice Chair for the Ad Hoc LAPP AP; Appoint Ad Hoc Data Collection AP; and Receive the report on status of fishery violations.

12:30 p.m. - 1 p.m. - The Data Collection Committee will review a report of the Logbook Workshop.

1 p.m. - 2 p.m. - The Shrimp Management Committee will review the "Status and Health of the Shrimp Stocks for 2008"; review the "Stock Assessment Report 2008 - Gulf of Mexico Shrimp Fishery"; review of "A Biological Review of the Tortugas Pink Shrimp Fishery Through December 2008; and a Preliminary Report of Shrimp Effort in 2009.

2 p.m. - 3 p.m. - The Spiny Lobster/Stone Crab Committee will discuss the

Scoping Hearing Summaries for Spiny Lobster Amendment 10 and Suggestions for Spiny Lobster Amendment 10 Options.

3 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. - The Sustainable Fisheries/Ecosystem Committee will discuss the Report from the ABC Control Workgroup; the Scoping Hearing Summaries from the Generic ACL/AM Amendment; and the 5-year Research Plan.

Tuesday, October 20, 2009

8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. - The Reef Fish Management Committee will meet to discuss the Gag/Red Grouper Amendment Scoping Document (Reef Fish Amendment 32) and select Scoping Hearing Locations; receive a presentation on the New ESA Biological Opinion Analyzing the Gulf Reef Fish Fishery and its Effects on Listed Species; Alternative Options for Red Snapper Recreational Season; Modifications to the regulations in Amendment 29; Terms of Reference for Greater Amberjack, Yellowedge Grouper and Tilefish Assessments; Hook Limit Analyses for Amendment 31; Develop LAPP Charge; and Discussion on the Sector Separation.

4 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. - The Administrative Policy Committee will discuss modifications to SOPPs and Handbook Development.

-Recess-

Immediately Following Committee Recess - There will be an informal open public question and answer session.

Wednesday, October 21, 2009

8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. - The Coastal Migratory Pelagics (CMP) (Mackerel) Management Committee will discuss the CMP Scoping Meeting Summaries and options for the CMP Amendment 18 Amendment 20 Options.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agendas may come before the Council and Committees for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act), those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Actions of the Council and Committees will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agendas 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 action to address the emergency. The established times for addressing items on the agenda may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the timely completion of discussion relevant to the agenda items. In order to

further allow for such adjustments and completion of all items on the agenda, the meeting may be extended from, or completed prior to the date/time established in this notice.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

National Estuarine Research Reserve System

AGENCY: Estuarine Reserves Division, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Approval and Availability for the Revised Management Plan for the North Carolina National Estuarine Research Reserve.

SUMMARY: The Estuarine Reserves Division, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), U.S. Department of Commerce has approved the North Carolina National Estuarine Research Reserve Management Plan Revision.

Four sites in coastal North Carolina comprise the North Carolina National Estuarine Research Reserve: Currituck Banks, Rachel Carson, Masonboro Island and Zeke's Island. Currituck Banks, Rachel Carson and Zeke's Island were designated in 1985, and Masonboro Island was designated in 1991, as the North Carolina National Estuarine Research Reserve pursuant to Section 315 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 1461. The reserve has been operating in partnership with the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources under a management plan approved in 1998. Pursuant to 15 CFR 921.33(c), a state must revise their management plan every five years. The

submission of this plan fulfills this requirement and sets a course for successful implementation of the goals and objectives of the reserve. An increase in the vertical placement of the program on the state organizational chart, a new administrative facility, and updated programmatic objectives are notable revisions to the 1998 approved management plan.

The revised management plan outlines the administrative structure; the education, stewardship, and research goals of the reserve; and the plans for future land acquisition and facility development to support reserve operations. This management plan describes how the strengths of the reserve will focus on several areas relevant to coastal North Carolina, including coastal population increase, altered land use, storm water runoff and eutrophication, invasive species, tropical and coastal storm impacts and sea level rise.

Since 1998, the reserve has added a coastal training program that delivers science-based information to key decision makers in North Carolina; has completed a site profile that characterizes the reserve; and has expanded the monitoring, stewardship and education programs. A new administrative building (2007) has been built to support the growth of reserve programs.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Amy Clark at (301) 563-1137 or Laurie McGilvray at (301) 563-1158 of NOAA's National Ocean Service, Estuarine Reserves Division, 1305 East-West Highway, N/ORM5, 10th floor, Silver Spring, MD 20910. For copies of the North Carolina Management Plan revision, visit: <http://www.nccoastalreserve.net/>.

Dated: September 28, 2009.

David Kennedy,

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

National Estuarine Research Reserve System

AGENCY: Estuarine Reserves Division, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce

ACTION: Notice of Approval and Availability for the Revised Management Plan for the Hudson River National Estuarine Research Reserve.

SUMMARY: The Estuarine Reserves Division, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), U.S. Department of Commerce has approved the Hudson River National Estuarine Research Reserve Management Plan Revision.

Four sites along the Hudson River comprise the Hudson River National Estuarine Research Reserve: Piermont Marsh, Iona Island, Tivoli Bays, and Stockport Flats. The Hudson River National Estuarine Research Reserve was designated in 1982 pursuant to Section 315 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended, 16 U.S.C. 1461. The reserve has been operating in partnership with the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation under a management plan approved in 1993. Pursuant to 15 CFR 921.33(c), a State must revise their management plan every five years. The submission of this plan fulfills this requirement and sets a course for successful implementation of the goals and objectives of the reserve. New facilities and updated programmatic objectives are notable revisions to the 1993 approved management plan.

The revised management plan outlines the administrative structure; the education, stewardship, and research goals of the reserve; and the plans for future land acquisition and facility development to support reserve operations. This management plan describes how the strengths of the reserve will focus on several areas relevant to the Hudson River, including sea level rise and other effects of climate change, development pressure, and invasive species.

Since 1993, the reserve has added an estuary training program that delivers science-based information to key decision makers in New York; has completed a site profile that characterizes the reserve; and has expanded the monitoring, stewardship and education programs. A new headquarters building, the Norrie Point Environmental Center (2007), has been built to support the growth of reserve programs.

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