

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The agenda for the meeting is as follows: The meeting will begin with adoption of agenda and review of scope of work. The Advisory Panel (AP) will discuss the ability of state enforcement agencies to provide background checks on advisory panel applicants for fishery violations in state waters involving federally managed stocks. The AP will also review the procedure for selecting candidates for the new Officer of the Year Program, and will discuss LEAP Representatives duties during council meetings. Lastly, any Other Business items, if any, may be discussed.

Special Accommodations

Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to Kathy Pereira (see **ADDRESSES**), at least 5 working days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: November 23, 2015.

Tracey L. Thompson,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Fisheries of the South Atlantic; Southeast Data, Assessment, and Review (SEDAR); Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of SEDAR 41 Assessment Workshop for South Atlantic *red snapper* (*Lutjanus campechanus*) and *gray triggerfish* (*Balistes capricus*).

SUMMARY: The SEDAR 41 assessments of the South Atlantic stocks of *red snapper* and *gray triggerfish* will consist of a series of workshops and webinars: Data Workshops; an Assessment Workshop and webinars; and a Review Workshop. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

DATES: The SEDAR 41 Assessment Workshop will be held on December 14, 2015 from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m.; December 15-16, 2015 from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m., and December 17, 2015 from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. The established times may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the timely completion of discussion relevant to the assessment process. Such adjustments may result in the meeting being extended from, or

completed prior to the time established by this notice. Additional Assessment Webinars and the Review Workshop dates and times will publish in a subsequent issue in the **Federal Register**.

ADDRESSES:

Meeting address: The SEDAR 41 Assessment Workshop will be held at the Crystal Coast Civic Center, 3505 Arendell Street, Morehead City, NC 28557, 252-247-3883.

SEDAR address: South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N. Charleston, SC 29405; www.sedarweb.org.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julia Byrd, SEDAR Coordinator, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, North Charleston, SC 29405; phone: (843) 571-4366; email: julia.byrd@safmc.net.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils, in conjunction with NOAA Fisheries and the Atlantic and Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commissions, have implemented the Southeast Data, Assessment and Review (SEDAR) process, a multi-step method for determining the status of fish stocks in the Southeast Region. SEDAR is a three-step process including: (1) Data Workshop; (2) Assessment Process utilizing webinars; and (3) Review Workshop. The product of the Data Workshop is a data report which compiles and evaluates potential datasets and recommends which datasets are appropriate for assessment analyses. The product of the Assessment Process is a stock assessment report which describes the fisheries, evaluates the status of the stock, estimates biological benchmarks, projects future population conditions, and recommends research and monitoring needs. The assessment is independently peer reviewed at the Review Workshop. The product of the Review Workshop is a Summary documenting panel opinions regarding the strengths and weaknesses of the stock assessment and input data. Participants for SEDAR Workshops are appointed by the Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils and NOAA Fisheries Southeast Regional Office, Highly Migratory Species Management Division, and Southeast Fisheries Science Center. Participants include: Data collectors and database managers; stock assessment scientists, biologists, and researchers; constituency representatives including fishermen, environmentalists, and non-governmental organizations (NGOs);

international experts; and staff of Councils, Commissions, and state and federal agencies.

The items of discussion in the Assessment Workshop are as follows:

1. Participants will use datasets provided by the Data Workshop to develop population models to evaluate stock status, estimate population benchmarks and Sustainable Fisheries Act criteria, and project future conditions, as specified in the Terms of Reference.

2. Participants will recommend the most appropriate methods and configurations for determining stock status and estimating population parameters.

3. Participants will prepare a workshop report, compare and contrast various assessment approaches, and determine whether the assessments are adequate for submission to the review panel.

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 identified in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to the SAFMC office (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 10 business days prior to the meeting.

Note: The times and sequence specified in this agenda are subject to change.

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

Dated: November 23, 2015.

Tracey L. Thompson,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of

information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Expenditure Survey of Highly Migratory Species Tournaments and Participants.

OMB Control Number: 0648–xxxx.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular (request for a new information collection).

Number of Respondents: 3,225.

Average Hours Per Response:

Operator's survey, 30 minutes;

participant survey, 15 minutes.

Burden Hours: 863.

Needs and Uses: This request is for a new collection of information.

The objective of the study is to collect information on the earnings and expenditures of Atlantic and Hawaii Highly Migratory Species (HMS) tournament operators and participants. The study will use two survey instruments to collect information from tournament operators and participants. One survey will ask tournament operators to characterize and quantify their operating costs and income sources in addition to describing their tournament participants. The other survey instrument will ask fishing tournament participants to estimate their expenditures associated with travel to, entering, and participating in the tournament.

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) will collect cost and earnings data from all Atlantic and Hawaii HMS tournaments registered within the year (approximately 300 based on recent years' tournament registration data). In addition, NMFS will select fifty percent of registered tournaments to distribute expenditure surveys to anglers registered for those tournament events. The Atlantic HMS Management Division is currently consulting with tournament organizers and participants to design the survey instruments to ensure NMFS captures data on all relevant expenditures.

As specified in the Magnuson-Stevenson Fishery Conservation and Management Act of 1996 (and reauthorized in 2007), NMFS is required to enumerate the economic impacts of the policies it implements on fishing participants and coastal communities. The cost and earnings data collected in this survey will be used to estimate the economic contributions and impacts of Atlantic HMS tournaments regionally.

Affected Public: Business and other for-profit organizations; individuals or households.

Frequency: One time.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

This information collection request may be viewed at *reginfo.gov*. Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to *OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov* or fax to (202) 395–5806.

Dated: November 23, 2015.

Sarah Brabson,

NOAA PRA Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Caribbean Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Caribbean Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold its 154th meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on December 15–16, 2015. The Council will convene on Tuesday, December 15, 2015, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., and will reconvene on Wednesday, December 16, 2015, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Marriott Frenchman's Reef Beach Resort, #5 Estate Bakkeroe, St. Thomas, USVI 00801.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Caribbean Fishery Management Council, 270 Muñoz Rivera Avenue, Suite 401, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918, telephone (787) 766–5926.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Council will hold its 154th regular Council Meeting to discuss the items contained in the following agenda: *December 15, 2015, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.*

°Call to Order

°Adoption of Agenda

°Consideration of 153rd Council

Meeting Verbatim Transcriptions

°Executive Director's Report

°Report of Public Hearings on Timing of Accountability Measures-Based

Closures Amendment

°SSC Report—Dr. Richard Appeldoorn

°SEDAR 46 Workshop (Nov. 2015)

Report

°Island Based FMP Developments Status and Next Steps

°AM-Based Season Closure Schedule for 2016

°NOAA Fisheries Ecosystem Based Fisheries Management Policy and Planning—Heather Sagar
—PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD—(5-minutes presentations)

December 15, 2015, 5:15 p.m.–6 p.m.

°Administrative Matters

—Budget Update FY 2015/16

—Other Administrative Business

—Closed Session

December 16, 2015, 9 a.m.–5 p.m.

°Outreach and Education Report—Dr. Alida Ortiz

°MREP Update—Helena Antoun

°USVI Coral Reef Initiative—Ms. Leslie Henderson

°Coral Habitat and Queen Snapper Ecosystem—Dr. Jorge R. García-Sais

°Enforcement Issues:

—Puerto Rico-DNER

—U.S. Virgin Islands-DPNR

—U.S. Coast Guard

—NMFS/NOAA

°Meetings Attended by Council Members and Staff

—PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD—(5-minute presentations)

°Other Business

°Next Council Meetings in 2016

°DAPs/SSC Meeting in March 2016

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. To further accommodate discussion and completion of all items on the agenda, the meeting may be extended from, or completed prior to the date established in this notice.

The meeting is open to the public, and will be conducted in English. Fishers and other interested persons are invited to attend and participate with oral or written statements regarding agenda issues.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, those issues may not be subjects for formal action during this meeting. Actions will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in this notice, and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided that the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. For more information or request for sign language interpretation and/or other auxiliary aids, please contact Mr. Miguel A. Rolón,