Classification

This action has been determined to be not significant for purposes of E.O. 12866.

Authority: Public Law 95–396 and 95–561 (22 U.S.C. 1980 *et seq.*)

Dated: June 27, 1996.

Rolland A. Schmitten,

Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council; Meeting

AGENCY: Sanctuaries and Reserves Division (SRD), Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management (OCRM), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: NOAA will conduct a meeting of the Sanctuary Advisory Council (SAC) for the Hawaiian islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary on Friday, July 12, 1996, in Wailea, Maui, Hawaii. The SAC was established to advise NOAA's Sanctuaries and Reserves Division regarding the development and management of the Hawaii Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary. The Advisory Council was established under the National Marine Sanctuaries Act.

TIME AND PLACE: The meeting will be held on Friday, July 12, 1996, from 9:30 AM until 3:00 PM, at the Kea Lani Hotel, Wailea Maui, Hawaii.

AGENDA: General issues related to the Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary are expected to be discussed, including a discussion on communication protocols and strategies, community outreach, and reports from the SAC subcommittees (boundary, regulatory and management).

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: The meeting will be open to the public, and interested persons will be permitted to present oral or written statements on agenda items. Seats will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Allen Tom (808) 879–2818 or Brady Phillips at (301) 713–3141, ext. 169.

Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog Number 11.429 Marine Sanctuary program

Dated: June 26, 1996.

David L. Evans,

Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Ocean Services and Coastal Zone Management.

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[I.D. 062696E]

Western Pacific 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 Western Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) will hold its 63rd meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held August 5–6, 1996, from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. each day.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Kaluakoi Hotel, Hoaloha Room, Molokai, HI; telephone: (808) 552–2555.

Council address: Western Pacific Fishery Management Council, 1164 Bishop St., Suite 1405, Honolulu, HI, 96813.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director; telephone: (808) 522–8220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The SSC will discuss and may make recommendations to the Council on the following agenda items:

1. Pelagic fishery issues, including:
(a) an update on the Pelagic Fisheries Research Program,
(b) Status of NMFS Pelagic Research,
(c) 1995 annual report,
(d) Longline bycatch issues,
(e) Status of Albatross Workshop, and
(f) Program planning;
2. Hawaii bottomfish issues, including:
(a) Status of Hawaii Department of Land and Natural Resources management plan for Main Hawaiian Islands onaga and ehu,
(b) Council preliminary (backup) management plan for Main Hawaiian Island onaga and ehu,
(c) Limited entry alternatives for the Mau Zone,
(d) Status of moratorium on new entry to the Mau Zone,
(e) 1995 annual report,
(f) Consideration of additional Hoomalu Zone participation, and
(g) Program planning;
3. Crustaceans Milestones 1997–1997; and
4. Other business as required.

Richard W. Surdi, Acting Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

Special Accommodations

Gary Matlock, Program Management Officer, National Marine Fisheries Service. This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, 808–522–8220 (voice) or 808–522–8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to meeting date.

Dated: June 27, 1996.

Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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[I.D. 062696D]

Western Pacific 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 Western Pacific Fishery Management Council will hold a meeting of its Bottomfish Task Force.

DATES: The meeting will be held on July 23, 1996, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Executive Center, 1088 Bishop St., Room 4003, Honolulu, HI; telephone: (808) 539–3000.

Council address: Western Pacific Fishery Management Council, 1164 Bishop St., Suite 1405, Honolulu, HI, 96813.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director; telephone: (808) 522–8220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The task force will hold its second meeting to discuss and formulate limited entry alternatives for the Mau Zone bottomfish fishery in the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands and consider other business as required.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, 808–522–8220 (voice) or 808–522–8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to meeting date.

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Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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Western Pacific 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 Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold its 90th meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held on August 7–9, 1996. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Kaluakoi Hotel, Hoaloha Room, Molokai, HI; telephone: (808) 552–2555.

Council address: Western Pacific Fishery Management Council, 1164 Bishop St., Suite 1405, Honolulu, HI, 96813.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director; telephone 808–522–8220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Council's Standing Committees will meet from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on August 7. The full Council will meet from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on August 8–9. There will be a Community Meeting at the Mitchell Pauole Center from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on August 8.

The Council will discuss and may take action on the following agenda items:

1. Reports from the islands;
2. Reports from fishery agencies and organizations;
3. Ecosystems and Habitat, including:
(a) Summary of recent issues and activities, and
(b) Project update on large scale transplant of live corals in Hawaii;
4. Pelagic fishery issues, including:
(a) 1995 annual report island-area summaries,
(b) Status of NMFS Pelagic Research,
(c) Bycatch issues,
(d) Status of request for single-Council designation for management of domestic pelagic fisheries in the Pacific,
(e) Status of Albatross Workshop,
(f) Pelagics data amendment, and
(g) Status of shark, turtle and albatross assessment;
5. Crustaceans Milestones 1997–1999;
6. Bottomfish issues, including:
(a) 1995 annual report island-area summaries,
(b) Status of Department of Land and Natural Resources management plan for Main Hawaiian Island onaga and ehu,
(c) Council's preliminary management plan for Main Hawaiian Island Onaga and Ehu stocks,
(d) Limited entry alternatives for the Mau Zone, and
(e) Milestones 1997–1999;
7. Enforcement issues, including:
(a) NMFS activities and Vessel Monitoring System (VMS) update,
(b) Status of violations, and
(c) Amendment to require VMS on all foreign vessels;
8. Native rights and indigenous fishing issues, including;
(a) Status of relevant Magnuson Fisheries Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson Act) amendments, and
(b) Molokai subsistence demonstration project;
9. Program planning, including;
(a) Status of Magnuson Act re-authorization,
(b) Status of Western Pacific Fisheries Information Network (WPacFIN), and
(c) Milestones;
10. Administrative matters; and
11. Other business as required.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, 808–522–8220 (voice) or 808–522–8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to meeting date.

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Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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Endangered Species; Permits

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

ACTION: Receipt of an application for modification 7 to scientific research permit 825 (P513).

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Columbia River Inter-tribal Fish Commission at Portland, OR (CRITFC) has applied in due form for a modification to a permit to take endangered and threatened species for the purpose of scientific research.

DATES: Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this application must be received on or before August 2, 1996.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review in the following offices, by appointment:

Office of Protected Resources, F/PR8, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910–3226 (301–713–1401); and

Environmental and Technical Services Division, 525 NE Oregon Street, Suite 500, Portland, OR 97232–4169 (503–230–5400).

Written comments or requests for a public hearing should be submitted to the Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: CRITFC requests a modification to a permit under the authority of section 10 of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA) (16 U.S.C. 1531-1543) and the NMFS regulations governing ESA-listed fish and wildlife permits (50 CFR parts 217-227).

CRITFC (P513) requests modification 7 to permit 825 for authorization to take juvenile, threatened, Snake River fall chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) annually associated with a study designed to monitor the extent of dissolved nitrogen gas supersaturation effects on outmigrating juvenile anadromous fish in the Snake and Columbia Rivers in the Pacific Northwest. Permit 825 authorizes an annual take of adult and juvenile, threatened, Snake River spring/summer chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) and juvenile, endangered, Snake River sockeye salmon (*Oncorhynchus nerka*) associated with several scientific research studies including the dissolved nitrogen gas supersaturation study. Juvenile fall chinook salmon are proposed to be captured, anesthetized, examined, allowed to recover from the anesthetic, and released. The probability of a juvenile, ESA-listed, Snake River fall chinook salmon indirect mortality associated with the study is negligible. Modification 7 is requested for the duration of the permit. Permit 825 expires on December 31, 1997.

Those individuals requesting a hearing (see **ADDRESSES**) should set out the specific reasons why a hearing on this application would be appropriate. The holding of such hearing is at the discretion of the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA. All statements and opinions contained in this application summary are those of