

fishing year 2013 and beyond. RAP members will discuss potential recreational fishing measures for Gulf of Maine cod, Georges Bank cod, Gulf of Maine haddock, and other stocks. The panel may consider such measures as bag limits, minimum size adjustments, seasons, or closed areas. The panel may consider using measures that differ between the party/charter and private fleets. The RAP will also discuss Annual Catch Limits and Accountability Measures, and may recommend changes to how these are implemented for the groundfish fishery. RAP members will also discuss commercial fishing activity in the inshore Gulf of Maine and the possible effects it may have on recreational fishing opportunities. Other business may also be discussed. RAP recommendations will be considered by the Groundfish Oversight Committee at a future date.

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 Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

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 (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Fisheries of the South Atlantic; South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting and public workshop.

SUMMARY: The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a meeting of Marine Protected Area (MPA) Expert Workgroup and Public MPA Workshop in Pooler, GA. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

DATES: The Expert Workgroup meeting will take place May 16-17, 2012. The public workshop will take place May 16, 2012. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum, 175 Bourne Avenue, Pooler, GA 31322; telephone: (912) 748-8888; fax: (912) 748-0209.

Council address: South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N. Charleston, SC, 29405.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Members of the Marine Protected Area Expert Workgroup will meet from 1 p.m.-5 p.m. on May 16, 2012 and from 8:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. on May 17, 2012. The group of experts, including scientists and fishermen, will provide input on using MPAs to help address bycatch mortality of speckled hind and warsaw grouper. Selection of participants was based on knowledge and expertise of these two species, their habitat, and/or the fishery. Public input on data for the Expert Workgroup to consider will be taken from 5 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. on May 16, 2012.

The Marine Protected Area Public Workshop will begin at 6 p.m. on May 16, 2012. The workshop is part of a series of workshops being held to give the public the opportunity to provide data on locations of speckled hind and warsaw grouper, as well as important habitat locations for these two species. The Council will consider input from the workgroup and workshops during its June meeting in Orlando, FL.

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Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Gulf of Mexico 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 Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene a meeting of the Ad Hoc Private Recreational Data Collection Advisory Panel.

DATES: The meeting will convene at 8:30 a.m. and conclude by 4 p.m. on Thursday, May 17, 2012.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 N. Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607; telephone: (813) 348-1630.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. John Froeschke, Fishery Biologist-Statistician; Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 348-1630 x235.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Ad Hoc Private Recreational Data Collection Advisory Panel will meet to discuss mechanisms to improve private recreational fisheries data collection in Gulf of Mexico fisheries. The Panel will help identify methods for improving private recreational angler data collection, potentially using additional data collection programs that would