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Chief Administrative Officer, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Pacific Council) Habitat Committee (HC) will hold a meeting, which is open to the public, to discuss habitat issues related to Council-managed fisheries.

DATES: The work session will be held Tuesday, June 12, 2012 from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. or until business for the day is completed.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Pacific Council Office, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220-1384; telephone: (503) 820-2280.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Jennifer Gilden, Associate Staff Officer, Pacific Council; telephone: (503) 820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the meeting is to discuss habitat issues related to Council-managed fisheries, including Columbia River fisheries issues, the NOAA Habitat Blueprint, and the Council's development of a Fishery Ecosystem Plan. The HC may also discuss forage fish issues, Army Corps of Engineers levee vegetation policies, ocean energy proposals, and Klamath River water issues. A report is scheduled to be presented to the Pacific Council at the June, 2012 Council meeting in San Mateo, CA.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may come before the HC for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal HC action during this meeting. HC action will be restricted to those

issues specifically listed 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 HC'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 Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt at (503) 820-2280 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: May 21, 2012.

Tracey L. Thompson,

Acting 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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Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Pacific Council) and its advisory entities will hold public meetings.

DATES: The Pacific Council and its advisory entities will meet June 20-26, 2012. The Pacific Council meeting will begin on Thursday, June 21, 2012 at 8 a.m., reconvening each day through Tuesday, June 26, 2012. All meetings are open to the public, except a closed session will be held at the end of business on Thursday, June 21 to address litigation and personnel matters. The Pacific Council will meet as late as necessary each day to complete its scheduled business.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the San Mateo Marriott Hotel, 1770 South Amphlett Boulevard, San Mateo, CA; telephone: (650) 653-6000.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE

Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Donald O. McIsaac, Executive Director; telephone: (503) 820-2280 or (866) 806-7204 toll free; or access the Pacific Council Web site, <http://www.pcouncil.org> for the current meeting location, proposed agenda, and meeting briefing materials.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following items are on the Pacific Council agenda, but not necessarily in this order:

- A. Call to Order
 1. Opening Remarks
 2. Roll Call
 3. Executive Director's Report
 4. Approve Agenda
- B. Open Comment Period
 - Comments on Non-Agenda Items
- C. Habitat
 - Current Habitat Issues
- D. Groundfish Management
 1. NMFS Report
 2. Barotrauma Workshop and Potential Use of Recompression Catch-and-Release Survival Estimates
 3. Stocks Assessment Planning
 4. Final Recommendations for Exempted Fishing Permits for 2013-14 Fisheries
 5. Tentative Adoption of Final 2013-14 Biennial Harvest Specifications and Management Measures
 6. Trawl Rationalization Trailing Actions
 7. Reconsideration of Initial Catch Shares in the Mothership and Shoreside Pacific Whiting Fisheries
 8. Consideration of Inseason Adjustments
 9. Final 2013-14 Biennial Harvest Specifications and Management Measures
- E. Highly Migratory Species Management
 1. Management Reference Points and Measures for 2013-14 Fisheries
 2. International Management Activities and Recommendations
- F. Coastal Pelagic Species Management
 1. NMFS Report
 2. Pacific Mackerel Management for 2012-13
- G. Administrative Matters
 1. Consideration of Further Protection of Currently Unmanaged Forage Species
 2. Legislative Matters
 3. Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for National Standard 1 Guidelines
 4. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes
 5. Fiscal Matters
 6. Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures
 7. Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning
- H. Ecosystem Based Management
 - Council Fishery Ecosystem Plan Development
- I. Enforcement Issues
 - Annual NMFS Enforcement Report

SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS

Day 1—Wednesday, June 20, 2012

Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Groundfish Management Team	8 a.m.
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8 a.m.
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8 a.m.
Budget Committee	1 p.m.
Legislative Committee	2:30 p.m.

Day 2—Thursday, June 21, 2012

California State Delegation	7 a.m.
Oregon State Delegation	7 a.m.
Washington State Delegation	7 a.m.
Joint Meeting of the Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel and Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team	8 a.m.
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Groundfish Management Team	8 a.m.
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8 a.m.
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8 a.m.
Enforcement Consultants	4:30 p.m.
Chair's Reception	6 p.m.

Day 3—Friday, June 22, 2012

California State Delegation	7 a.m.
Oregon State Delegation	7 a.m.
Washington State Delegation	7 a.m.
Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team	8 a.m.
Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Groundfish Management Team	8 a.m.
Enforcement Consultants	As Needed.

Day 4—Saturday, June 23, 2012

California State Delegation	7 a.m.
Oregon State Delegation	7 a.m.
Washington State Delegation	7 a.m.
Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Groundfish Management Team	8 a.m.
Enforcement Consultants	As Needed.

Day 5—Sunday, June 24, 2012

California State Delegation	7 a.m.
Oregon State Delegation	7 a.m.
Washington State Delegation	7 a.m.
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Groundfish Management Team	8 a.m.
Enforcement Consultants	As Needed.

Day 6—Monday, June 25, 2012

California State Delegation	7 a.m.
Oregon State Delegation	7 a.m.
Washington State Delegation	7 a.m.
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Groundfish Management Team	8 a.m.
Enforcement Consultants	As Needed.

Day 7—Tuesday, June 26, 2012

California State Delegation	7 a.m.
Oregon State Delegation	7 a.m.
Washington State Delegation	7 a.m.

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Special Accommodations

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Dated: May 22, 2012.

Tracey L. Thompson,

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Pacific 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 Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Pacific Council) ad hoc South of Humber Pacific Halibut Workgroup (SHPHW) will hold a conference call to review background material on Pacific Halibut stock assessment, catch apportionment, and monitoring in Area 2A.

DATES: The conference call will be held Tuesday, June 12, 2012, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held via conference call, with a listening station provided at the Pacific Council Office, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220-1384; telephone: (503) 820-2280.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220-1384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Chuck Tracy, Staff Officer, Pacific Council: (503) 820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the work session is to review progress and interim products relative

to the Pacific Halibut stock assessment, catch apportionment process, and catch monitoring in Area 2A, with the objective of reporting how additional information from south of the Oregon/California border could be integrated into existing processes. A report is tentatively scheduled to be presented to the Pacific Council at the September, 2012 Pacific Council meeting in Boise, ID.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may come before the SHPHW for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal SHPHW action during this meeting. SHPHW action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed 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 SHPHW's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Northeast Fisheries Science Center, Woods, Hole, MA; Public Meeting/ Workshop

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting/ workshop.

SUMMARY: NOAA's Northeast Fisheries Science Center will sponsor a workshop to address the stock structure of cod in the Gulf of Maine, Georges Bank, Scotian Shelf and Southern New England regions. The Gulf of Maine Research Institute (GMRI) in Portland, ME will organize and host the meeting scheduled for June 12-14, 2012.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 12, Wednesday, June 13

and Thursday, June 14, 2012, beginning at 9 a.m. each day.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Harborside Hotel, 250 Market St., Portsmouth, NH 03801; telephone: (603) 431-2300.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patty Collins, Gulf of Maine Research Institute, (207) 228-1625.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Stock Structure of Atlantic Cod in the Gulf of Maine Region workshop will explore current research to inform the cod assessment process. Invited participants from the fishing and scientific communities will present information on a range of topics. There also will be opportunities for discussion. Online registration is available at www.gmri.org/codstructureworkshop or contact Patty Collins at pcollins@gmri.org or (207) 228-1625 to register via telephone or email.

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 listed 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

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North Pacific Fishery Management Council (NPFMC); Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and