

involves applications and requests that include: 172 permit applications, Letters of Intent, and requests for amendments and changes; approximately 206 annual and final reports; and an estimated 350 notifications of transport; marine mammal data sheets and notifications of rehabilitated stranded marine mammals.

Estimated Time Per Response: Permit applications for scientific research (SR), enhancement (EN), public display (PD), Letters or Intent under the General Authorization (GA), and major amendments to permits are estimated at 29 hours each.

Applications for photography permits are estimated at 10 hours each. Minor amendments and requests for changes under the GA are estimated at 3 hours each.

Annual reports for scientific research, enhancement or projects under the General Authorization are estimated at 12 hours each, and 2 hours for annual recordkeeping needs.

Public display annual reports are estimated at 9 hours each with 2 hours for annual recordkeeping.

Photography annual reports have been estimated at 3 hours each, and 2 hours for recordkeeping.

Notifications of Transports and submission of Marine Mammal Data Sheets have been estimated at one-half hour each.

Notification of release or other disposition of rehabilitated marine mammals is estimated at 1 hour per report and 2 hours for recordkeeping.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: The total annual burden of hours is estimated at 6,925 hours per year.

Estimated Total Annual Cost: The total annual cost is estimated at \$352 per year to cover the mailing of submissions.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection;

they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: June 17, 1996.

Linda Engelmeier,

Management Analyst, Office of Management and Organization.

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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 meeting.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council will convene public meetings.

DATES: The meetings will be held on July 15-18, 1996.

ADDRESSES: These meetings will be held at the Sheraton Grand Hotel, 4860 West Kennedy Boulevard, Tampa, FL; telephone: 813-286-4050.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 5401 West Kennedy Boulevard, Suite 331, Tampa, FL 33609.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Wayne E. Swingle, Executive Director, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 228-2815.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Council

July 17

8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.—Convene to receive public testimony on Mackerel Total Allowable Catch (TAC)/Quotas/Bag Limits for the 1996-1997 season and Draft Reef Fish Amendment 14 (NOTE: Testimony cards must be turned in to staff before the start of public testimony.) Draft Reef Fish Amendment 14 principally proposes alternatives to regulate the fish trap fishery. The amendment contains several alternatives related to the current moratorium on the issuance of fish trap permits. The Council's proposed action is to create a license limitation system with transferrable permits. Other alternatives to the proposed action include extending the moratorium for four more years, limiting permits to current participants and phasing out the trap fishery after ten years, and evaluating the effectiveness of enforcement of trap rules over two years before taking further action.

Draft Reef Amendment 14 also has several alternatives related to area prohibitions on use of fish traps. The

Council's proposed action is to prohibit the use of traps south of 24°54', north latitude (i.e. off Dry Tortugas, Florida). Alternatives to the proposed action include also prohibiting use of traps in the Gulf of Mexico west of Cape San Blas, Florida (Appalachicola area), prohibiting use of traps on Riley's Hump (a 20 square mile spawning aggregation site, south of Dry Tortugas), and prohibiting all fishing on Riley's Hump year round, making it a marine sanctuary. It modifies the provisions for tending traps and sets forth compliance conditions for the trap permit. Authority is provided to the Regional Director of National Marine Fisheries Service to open and close commercial reef fish fisheries operating under quotas. Transfer provisions for reef fish vessel permits are modified to allow transfer to qualifying vessel operators and owners. The amendment also proposes to prohibit harvest of Nassau grouper in the Gulf. Copies of the amendment can be requested from the Council office (see addresses).

July 18

8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.—Set TACs for king and Spanish mackerels and cobia for 1996-1997.

10:30 a.m. - 11:15 a.m.—Receive a report of the Shrimp Management Committee.

11:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.—Receive a report of the Budget Committee.

11:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.—Receive a report of the Ad Hoc Communications Committee.

11:45 a.m. - 12:00 noon.—Receive a report of the Deep-water Crab Management Committee.

1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.—Re-convene to receive a report of the Reef Fish Management Committee.

3:30 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.—Receive a report of Council Chairman's Meeting.

3:45 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.—Receive a report of the NOAA Constituency Workshop.

4:00 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.—Receive Enforcement Report.

4:15 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.—Receive South Atlantic Fishery Management Council Liaison Report.

4:30 p.m. - 4:45 p.m.—Receive Director's reports.

4:45 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.—Other Business to be discussed.

Committees

July 15

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.—Convene the Deep-water Crab Management Committee.

10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.—Convene the Budget Committee.

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon—Convene the Ad Hoc Communications Committee.

1:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.—Convene the Shrimp Management Committee.

July 16

8:00 a.m. -12:00 noon—Convene the Mackerel Management Committee.

1:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.—Convene the Reef Fish Management Committee.

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Anne Alford at the Council (see ADDRESSES) by July 8, 1996.

Dated: June 17, 1996.

Richard H. Schaefer,
Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council Open Meeting

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

SUMMARY: The Advisory Council was established in December 1993 to advise NOAA's Sanctuaries and Reserves Division regarding the management of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary. The Advisory Council was convened under the National Marine Sanctuaries Act.

TIME AND PLACE: Friday, June 28, 1996 from 9:30 until 4:00 at the Cambria Pines Lodge, 2905 Burton Drive, Cambria, California.

AGENDA: General issues related to the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary are expected to be discussed, including an update from the Sanctuary Manager; reports from the working groups; presentations on the Cambria desalination plant, elephant seal management plan, and Morro Bay Estuary Foundation; reviews of the Advisory Council's annual report; and a report on management programs for the northern region of the Sanctuary.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: The meeting will be open to the public. Seats will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jane Delay at (404) 647-4246 or Elizabeth Moore at (301) 713-3141.

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Dated: June 12, 1996.

David L. Evans,
Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Ocean Services and Coastal Zone Management.

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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 (Council) will hold a joint meeting of its Bottomfish and Seamount Groundfish Plan Team, Hawaii Bottomfish Advisory Panel, and Bottomfish Advisory Review Board.

DATES: The meeting will be held on July 17-18, 1996, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., each day.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Executive Center, 1088 Bishop St., Room 4003, Honolulu, Hawaii; 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 plan team will discuss and may make recommendations to the Council on the following agenda items:

1. Review final draft of 1995 annual report;
2. Progress and/or constraints with specific report recommendations;
3. Limited entry alternatives for the Mau Zone and moratorium on new entry for the Mau Zone in the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands (NWHI), including report from task force;
4. Preliminary management plan for Main Hawaiian Island (MHI) onaga and ehu stocks, including a review the 1995 analyses and results that indicated "red light" conditions for their accuracy and representativeness;
5. Consider options for increasing participation in Hoomalu zone fishery in the NWHI;
6. Final draft FMP milestone (1997-1999)
7. Status of Department of Land and Natural Resources progress with management plan for overfished MHI onaga and ehu;
8. Council's preliminary management plan for onaga and ehu; and

9. 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.

Dated: June 17, 1996.

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 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 (Council) will hold a meeting of its Pelagics Plan Team.

DATES: The meeting will be held on July 10-11, 1996, from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., each day.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Executive Center, 1088 Bishop St., Room 4003, Honolulu, Hawaii; 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 plan team will discuss and may make recommendations to the Council on the following agenda items:

1. Review final draft of 1995 annual report;
2. Pacific-wide reporting of catch and effort, including:
 - a) development of objectives and procedures for treatment of data, (b) define the scope, type, and extent of data needed,
 - (c) determine where and how to access data, and (d) control date;
3. Final draft of Fishery Management Plan Milestone (1997-1999);
4. Inclusion of Main Hawaiian Island handline fishery into the 1996 annual report and review the status of the fishery for management options;
5. Update on bycatch issues (turtles, albatross, sharks);