

summer flounder, scup, and black sea bass and make recommendations on the development of amendments to the plan.

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#### Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Joanna Davis at the Council (see ADDRESSES) at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: November 16, 1998.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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##### New England 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 New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling public meetings of its Social Sciences Advisory Panel, Groundfish Advisory Panel and Groundfish Oversight Committee in December, 1998 to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). The Social Sciences Advisory Panel will consider issues involving the quality of economic and social impact analyses used in Council fishery management plans (FMPs). Recommendations from these groups will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

**DATES:** The meetings will be held as follows:

1. December 2, 1998, 9:30 a.m., East Boston, MA.
2. December 15-16, 1998, 9:30 a.m., Peabody, MA.

**ADDRESSES:** The meetings will be held at the following locations:

1. East Boston—Holiday Inn Boston Logan Airport, 225 McClellan Highway, East Boston, MA 02128; telephone: (617) 569-5250.

2. Peabody—Holiday Inn, One Newbury Street (Route 1 North), Peabody, MA 01960; telephone: (978) 535-4600.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; (781) 231-0422. Requests for special accommodations should be addressed to the New England Fishery Management Council, 5 Broadway, Saugus, MA 01906-1097; telephone: (781) 231-0422.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Meeting Dates and Agendas

*Wednesday, December 2, 1998, 9:30 a.m.*—Social Sciences Advisory Panel Meeting

The Panel will evaluate the socio-economic data used to develop the Social and Economic Impact Analyses contained in the Monkfish FMP and in the whiting amendment to the Northeast Multispecies FMP and will recommend improvements for future analyses. It also will identify data collection requirements for the Annual Stock Assessment and Fisheries Evaluation (SAFE) Report.

*Tuesday, December 15, 1998, 9:30 a.m.*—Groundfish Advisory Panel Meeting

The Panel will develop advice to Groundfish Committee on options under consideration for Framework Adjustment 27, the 1999 annual plan adjustment to the Northeast Multispecies FMP, including measures that will be identified by the Council at its December 9-10 meeting.

*Wednesday, December 16, 1998, 9:30 a.m.*—Groundfish Oversight Committee Meeting

Review the December 15, 1998 Groundfish Advisory Panel meeting report; develop recommendations to the Council for Framework Adjustment 27 to the Northeast Multispecies FMP, including measures that will be identified by the Council at its December 9-10 meeting.

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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 meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) ad-hoc policy committee for developing goals and objectives for a long-term technical assessment of non-catch salmon mortalities in Council salmon fisheries will hold a public meeting.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 9, 1998, beginning at 11:00 a.m. and will continue until 5:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission, Conference Room, 45 SE 82nd Drive, Suite 100, Gladstone, OR; telephone: (503) 650-5400.

*Council address:* Pacific Fishery Management Council, 2130 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 224, Portland, OR 97201.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Coon, Salmon Fishery Management Coordinator; telephone: (503) 326-6352.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the meeting is to begin developing goals and objectives for a long-term technical assessment of non-catch mortalities in Council fisheries.

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