

exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from these groups will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

DATES: The meetings will be held on October 16, 2002 and October 22, 2002. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held in Newburyport, MA and Warwick, RI. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific locations.

Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.
FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council (978) 465-0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Meeting Dates and Agendas

Wednesday, October 16, 2002, 9:30 a.m.—Vessel Monitoring Systems Committee Meeting.

Location: New England Fishery Management Council Office, 50 Water Street, Mill #2, Newburyport, MA 01950; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

The committee will review Groundfish Amendment 13 options and Groundfish Enforcement Analysis.

Tuesday, October 22, 2002, 9:30 a.m.—Skate Oversight Committee Meeting.

Location: Hampton Inn and Suites Airport, 2100 Post Road, Warwick, RI 02886; telephone: (401) 739-8888.

The committee will review the Draft Skate Fishery Management Plan (FMP) and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). They will also review public comments received on Draft Skate FMP/EIS. Also on the agenda will be the review of the Skate Advisory Panel and Skate PDT comments on Draft Skate FMP/EIS. They will recommend measures for inclusion in the Final Skate FMP/EIS for Council consideration.

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

Special Accommodations

These meetings are 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 dates.

Dated: September 25, 2002.

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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 (Council) Salmon Technical Team (STT) and Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) Salmon Subcommittee will hold a joint work session which is open to the public to review proposed salmon methodology changes.

DATES: The work session will be held Tuesday, October 15, 2002, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The work session will be held at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 7900 NE 82nd Ave., Portland, OR 97220.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 200, Portland, OR 97220-1384.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the work session is to brief the STT and SSC on changes made to or proposed for the chinook Fishery Regulation Assessment Model (FRAM), review the scientific bases for those changes, and compare results from the updated model with those from the previous version.

Although nonemergency issues not contained in the meeting agendas may come before the STT and the SSC subcommittee for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. 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 intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Ms. Carolyn Porter at (503) 820-2280 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: September 25, 2002.

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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) Groundfish Management Team (GMT) will hold a working meeting which is open to the public.

DATES: The GMT working meeting will begin Tuesday, October 15, 2002 at 1 p.m. and may go into the evening until business for the day is completed. The meeting will reconvene from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, October 16 through Friday, October 18, 2002.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at NMFS Northwest Region Office, Building 1, Northwest Region Conference Room, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, Seattle, WA 98115-0070; telephone: (206) 526-6150.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 200, Portland, OR 97220-1384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. John DeVore, Groundfish Staff Officer, (503) 820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The primary purpose of the GMT meeting is to prepare reports, recommendations, and analyses in support of various Council decisions through the