

surfclam and ocean quahog fisheries. Detailed instructions for purchasing these cage tags will be provided in a letter to allocation owners in these fisheries within the next several weeks.

Authority: Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: September 30, 2005.

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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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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 a meeting of its Ecosystem Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) in Tampa, FL on Thursday, October 27, 2005.

DATES: The meeting will be held Thursday, October 27, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Quorum Hotel - Tampa, 700 North Westshore Boulevard, Tampa, FL 33609.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven Atran, Population Dynamics Statistician, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: 813.348.1630.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene its Ecosystem Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) in Tampa, Florida to review the work it has done to date in compiling information to use in developing a fisheries ecosystem plan (FEP), and will discuss a timeline for completion of a draft FEP. The SSC will also discuss the impacts of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita relevant to fishery management on the Gulf of Mexico Ecosystem and may make recommendations to the Council.

Copies of the agenda and other related materials can be obtained by calling 813.348.1630. Although other non-

emergency issues not on the agendas may come before the SSC for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act), those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Actions of the SSC will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agendas 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 action to address the emergency.

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Dawn Aring at the Council (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 working days prior to the meeting.

Dated: October 4, 2005.

Emily Menashes,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meetings

TIME AND DATE: 11 a.m., Wednesday, October 26, 2005.

PLACE: 1155 21st St., NW., Washington, DC, 9th Floor Commission Conference Room.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Rule Enforcement Review.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

Jean A. Webb,

Secretary of the Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Direct Grant Programs

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice reopening competitions or extending application deadline dates for certain direct grant and fellowship programs.

SUMMARY: The Secretary extends the deadline dates for the submission of applications for several programs. In all of the affected competitions the Secretary is making new awards for

fiscal year (FY) 2006. The Secretary takes this action to allow more time for the preparation and submission of applications by potential applicants who have been affected by Hurricanes Katrina and/or Rita and are located in Louisiana, Texas, Alabama, Mississippi, and Florida. The reopening and extension of the programs or competitions are intended to help potential applicants compete fairly with other applicants under these programs.

Note: Two of the affected programs or competitions are administered by the Office of Postsecondary Education and three are administered by the Office of Special Education and Rehabilitative Services. You can find information related to each of these competitions under the "List of Programs Affected" in this notice.

Eligibility: The reopening or extension of deadline dates in this notice applies to you if you are: (1) an institution of higher education, state educational agency (SEA), local educational agency (LEA), non-profit organization or other public or private organization applicant that is located in a federally-declared disaster area as determined by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) (*see <http://www.fema.gov/news/disasters.fema>*) and you were adversely affected by Hurricanes Katrina and/or Rita, or (2) an individual applicant who resides or resided, on the disaster declaration date, in a federally-declared disaster area as determined by FEMA (*see <http://www.fema.gov/news/disasters.fema>*) and you were adversely affected by Hurricanes Katrina and/or Rita. You must provide a certification in your application that you meet one of these criteria for submitting an application on the *Extended Deadline* and be prepared to provide appropriate supporting documentation, if requested. If you are submitting the application electronically, the submission of the application serves as your attestation that you meet the criteria for submitting an application on the *Extended Deadline*.

Note for Individual Applicants Under Competition 84.170A, Jacob K. Javits Fellowship Program:

The reopening or extension of deadline date for this competition also applies to you if you cannot obtain your undergraduate academic records or references from your undergraduate institution because the institution is in a federally-declared disaster area as determined by FEMA (*see <http://www.fema.gov/news/disasters.fema>*) and was adversely affected by Hurricanes Katrina and/or Rita.

DATES: The new deadline date for transmitting applications under each competition is listed with that competition in the "List of Programs