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Sheleen Dumas,

Department PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, Commerce Department.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648–XE285]

South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council’s (Council) will hold a meeting of its Scientific and Statistical Committee’s Social and Economic Panel (SEP).

DATES: The meeting will be held via webinar on October 7, 2024, from 9 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Registration is required. Webinar registration, an online public comment form, and briefing book materials will be available two weeks prior to the meetings at: <https://safmc.net/scientific-and-statistical-committee-meeting/>.

ADDRESSES:

Council address: South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N. Charleston, SC 29405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Christina Wiegand, Fishery Social Scientist, SAFMC; phone: (843) 571–4366 or toll free: (866) SAFMC–10; fax: (843) 769–4520; email: christina.wiegand@safmc.net.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The SEP meeting agenda includes an update on Council active amendments and discussion of modifications to the Southeast For-Hire Integrated Electronic Reporting (SEFHIER) Program. Overall compliance with the reporting program is low compared to that previously observed the Gulf of Mexico. The Council has begun discussion on ways

to improve compliance, strengthen reporting requirements, and explore data validation, with the goal of utilizing the information being collected in future management decisions. As these discussions continue, the Council is asking for input from the SEP.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (see **ADDRESSES**) 5 days prior to the public meeting date.

Note: The times and sequence specified in this agenda are subject to change.

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

Dated: September 17, 2024.

Rey Israel Marquez,

Acting Deputy 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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Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold public meetings of the Council and its Executive Committee.

DATES: The meetings will be held Tuesday, October 8 through Thursday, October 10, 2024. For agenda details, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be an in-person meeting with a virtual option. Council members, other meeting participants, and members of the public will have the option to participate in person at the Hyatt Place Dewey Beach, 1301 Coastal Highway, Dewey Beach, DE 19971, or virtually via Webex webinar. Webinar connection instructions and briefing materials will be available at: <https://www.mafmc.org/briefing/october-2024>.

Council address: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N State St., Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674–2331; www.mafmc.org.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Christopher M. Moore, Ph.D. Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery

Management Council; telephone: (302) 526–5255. The Council’s website, www.mafmc.org, also has details on the meeting location, proposed agenda, webinar listen-in access, and briefing materials.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following items are on the agenda, although agenda items may be addressed out of order (changes will be noted on the Council’s website when possible).

Tuesday, October 8, 2024

Executive Committee—Open Session

2025 Implementation Plan: Review draft deliverables

Council Convenes

2025–2029 Strategic Plan

Review and provide feedback on draft strategic plan

Offshore Wind Update

Updates from Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)

Updates from Mid-Atlantic Regional Council on the Ocean (MARCO) on Offshore Wind Transmission Workshop

Updates from New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection on Offshore Wind Research and Monitoring Initiative Research Priorities

Updates from Northeast Fisheries Science Center (NEFSC) and Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office (GARFO)

General Q&A/Discussion

Habitat Activities Update—GARFO Habitat and Ecosystem Services Division

Presentation on activities of interest in the region

Wednesday, October 9, 2024

2025 Atlantic Mackerel Specifications

Review recommendations from the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC), Monitoring Committee, Advisory Panel, and staff

Review previously adopted 2025 specifications and management measures, and recommend changes if necessary

2025–2026 Butterfish Specifications

Review recommendations from the SSC, Monitoring Committee, Advisory Panel, and staff

Adopt specifications for 2025–2026

2025 Spiny Dogfish Specifications

Review recommendations from the SSC, Monitoring Committee, Advisory Panel, and staff

Review previously adopted 2025 specifications and management measures, and recommend changes if necessary

Scientific Coordination Subcommittee 8th National Workshop Outcomes

Review outcomes, recommendations, and action items

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Private Recreational Tilefish Permitting, Reporting, and Program Evaluation

Staff overview of recent tilefish permitting and reporting efforts

Review update from GARFO on private recreational tilefish permitting and reporting

Review Tilefish Angler Outreach and Program Evaluation—Willy Goldsmith (Pelagic Strategies) and Jill Stevenson (Stevenson Sustainability Consulting)

Discuss next steps

Proposed Rule: Electronic Reporting Requirements for Atlantic Highly Migratory Species (HMS)—Karyl Brewster-Geisz, Rulemaking Branch Chief, NOAA Fisheries

Presentation on the NOAA HMS proposed rule to modify and/or expand reporting requirements for Atlantic HMS, including reporting by commercial, for-hire, and private recreational vessel owners and dealers

Review of Monkfish Fishery Performance Report and Monkfish Research Set Aside Improvements

Review Monkfish Fishery Performance Report

Review Monkfish Research Set Aside Improvements

Council Awards Discussion

Review existing Council awards: Ricks E Savage Award, Award of Excellence, and James A. Ruhle Cooperative Research Award

Recommend any necessary changes to award descriptions, selection criteria, or nomination/selection procedures

Thursday, October 10, 2024

Business Session

Committee Reports (SSC, Northeast Trawl Advisory Panel (NTAP)); Executive Director's Report; Organization Reports; and Liaison Reports

Other Business and General Public Comment

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group 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 will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under Section 305(c)

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aid should be directed to Shelley Spedden, (302) 526–5251, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: September 17, 2024.

Rey Israel Marquez,

Acting Deputy 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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Taking and Importing Marine Mammals; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to Military Readiness Activities in the Atlantic Fleet Training and Testing Study Area

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

ACTION: Notice; receipt of application for regulations and Letters of Authorization; request for comments and information.

SUMMARY: NMFS has received a request from the U.S. Department of the Navy (including the U.S. Navy (Navy) and the U.S. Marine Corps) and on behalf of the U.S. Coast Guard (Coast Guard; hereafter, Navy, U.S. Marine Corps, and Coast Guard are collectively referred to as Action Proponents) for authorization to take marine mammals incidental to training and testing activities conducted in the Atlantic Fleet Training and Testing (AFTT) Study Area over the course of 7 years from November 2025 through November 2032. Pursuant to regulations implementing the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA), NMFS is announcing receipt of the Action Proponents' request for the development and implementation of regulations governing the incidental taking of marine mammals and issuance of three, 7-year Letters of Authorization (LOAs).

NMFS invites the public to provide information, suggestions, and comments on the Action Proponents' application and request.

DATES: Comments and information must be received no later than October 21, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Jolie Harrison, Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service, and should be sent to ITP.clevenstine@noaa.gov. An electronic copy of the Action Proponents' application may be obtained online at: <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/national/marine-mammal-protection/incidental-take-authorizations-military-readiness-activities>. In case of problems accessing the document, please call the contact listed below.

Instructions: NMFS is not responsible for comments sent by any other method, to any other address or individual, or received after the end of the comment period. Comments, including all attachments, must not exceed a 25-megabyte file size. All comments received are a part of the public record and will generally be posted online at: <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/national/marine-mammal-protection/incidental-take-authorizations-military-readiness-activities> without change. All personal identifying information (e.g., name, address) voluntarily submitted by the commenter may be publicly accessible. Do not submit confidential business information or otherwise sensitive or protected information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alyssa Clevenstine, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, (301) 427–8401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The MMPA prohibits the “take” of marine mammals, with certain exceptions. Sections 101(a)(5)(A) and (D) of the MMPA (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) direct the Secretary of Commerce (as delegated to NMFS) to allow, upon request, the incidental, but not intentional, taking of small numbers of marine mammals by U.S. citizens who engage in a specified activity (other than commercial fishing) within a specified geographical region if certain findings are made and either regulations are proposed or, if the taking is limited to harassment, a notice of a proposed authorization is provided to the public for review.

Authorization for incidental takings shall be granted if NMFS finds that the taking will have a negligible impact on the species or stock(s), will not have an