

11:30 a.m.–12 p.m.

—2024 Annual Catch Limits and Overfishing Monitoring—Puerto Rico Spiny Lobster Allowable Catch Limit (ACL) Overage and Overfishing Determination—NOAA Fisheries/ Southeast Regional Office

12 p.m.–1:30 p.m.

—Lunch Break

1:30 p.m.–1:50 p.m.

—Community Climate Change Vulnerability Project for U.S. Caribbean—Tarsila Seara, NOAA Fisheries, Northeast Regional Office

1:50 p.m.–2:30 p.m.

—Review and Final action— Amendment 4 to the Puerto Rico FMP: Reclassification of the Rainbow Runner as a Pelagic Fish—María López-Mercer, NOAA Fisheries/ Southeast Regional Office (SERO)

2:30 p.m.–2:50 p.m.

—Scientific and Statistical Committee Report—Vance Vicente

2:50 p.m.–3:20 p.m.

—Protected Resources Division Update—Jennifer Lee, NOAA Fisheries/Southeast Regional Office (SERO)

3:20 p.m.–3:30 p.m.

—Break

3:30 p.m.–4 p.m.

—Safe Fishing Zones—Carlos Farchette, CFMC Chair

4 p.m.–4:30 p.m.

—Public Comment Period

4:30 p.m.

—Adjourn for the Day

4:45 p.m.–5:15 p.m.

—Closed Session

December 5, 2024

9 a.m.–9:30 a.m.

—NOAA Fisheries Actions—Sam Rauch, Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, NOAA Fisheries
—Confidentiality Rule Update
—Council on Environmental Quality NEPA Regulations
—America the Beautiful 30 x 30
—ESA/MSA Integration Policy Draft

9:30 a.m.–10 a.m.

—Southeast Fisheries Science Center Update—Kevin McCarthy, NOAA Fisheries
—Survey of Stakeholder Priorities for Caribbean Fisheries Management

10 a.m.–10:15 a.m.

—Outcomes from WECAFC Flying Fish Dolphinfish Working Group Meeting and WECAFC Spawning Aggregations Working Group Meeting—Laura Cimo, NOAA Fisheries, The Office of International Affairs, Trade, and Commerce

10:15 a.m.–10:30 a.m.

—Break

10:30 a.m.–11:15 a.m.

—Outreach and Education Report—Alida Ortiz
—Liaison Officers Descending Devices July Meeting Report—Wilson Santiago/Nicole Greaux
—Social Networks Report—Cristina Olán
—Chefs' Workshop on Underutilized Species—Jannette Ramos

11:15 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

—Lionfish Derby Report—Mike Funk

11:30 a.m.–12 p.m.

—Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) Update—Sarah Stephenson, NOAA Fisheries/Southeast Regional Office (SERO)

12 p.m.–1:30 p.m.

—Lunch Break

1:30 p.m.–2 p.m.

—Aging of Spiny Lobster Study—Ana Medina, University of Puerto Rico at Mayagüez

2 p.m.–2:30 p.m.

—EBFM TAP Update—Sennai Habtes, EBFM TAP Chair and Liajay Rivera, CFMC Staff

2:30 p.m.–3:30 p.m.

—Enforcement Reports (15-minutes each)
—Puerto Rico—DNER
—USVI—DPNR
—NOAA Fisheries/OLE
—U.S. Coast Guard—CG Requirements for Caribbean Vessels

3:30 p.m.–3:40 p.m.

—Break

3:40 p.m.–3:50 p.m.

—Advisory Bodies Membership

3:50 p.m.–4 p.m.

—Other Business

4 p.m.–4:30 p.m.

—Public Comment Period (5-minute presentations)
—Next Meeting
—Adjourn

Note (1): Other than starting time and dates of the meetings, the established

times for addressing items on the agenda may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the timely completion of discussion relevant to the agenda items. To further accommodate discussion and completion of all items on the agenda, the meeting may be extended from or completed before the date established in this notice. Changes in the agenda will be posted to the CFMC website, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram as practicable.

Note (2): Financial disclosure forms are available for inspection at this meeting, as per 50 CFR part 601.

The order of business may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the completion of agenda items. The meeting will begin on December 4, 2024, at 9 a.m. AST, and will end on December 5, 2024, at 4:30 p.m., AST. Other than the start time on the first day of the meeting, interested parties should be aware that discussions may start earlier or later than indicated in the agenda, at the discretion of the Chair.

Special Accommodations

For any additional information on this public hybrid meeting, please contact Diana Martino, Caribbean Fishery Management Council, 270 Muñoz Rivera Avenue, Suite 401, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 00918–1903, telephone: (787) 226–8849.

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

Dated: November 15, 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

[RTID 0648–XE425]

Caribbean Fishery Management Council; Virtual Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of a virtual meeting.

SUMMARY: The Caribbean Fishery Management Council's (Council) Outreach and Education Advisory Panel (OEAP) will hold a virtual meeting on November 21, 2024, to discuss the items contained in the agenda in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

DATES: The OEAP virtual meeting will be held on November 21, 2024, from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., AST.

ADDRESSES: You may join the OEAP virtual meeting (via Zoom) from a computer, tablet or smartphone by entering the following address:

OEAP Zoom Meeting

Topic: OEAP

Time: This is a recurring meeting meet anytime

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Diana Martino; phone: (787) 226–8849, Caribbean Fishery Management Council, 270 Muñoz Rivera Avenue, Suite 401, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918–1903.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

November 21, 2024

9:30 a.m.–9:45 a.m.

—Call to Order

—Adoption of Agenda

9:45 a.m.–10:20 a.m.

—OEAP Chairperson’s Report

—Updates:

—Meetings and Webinars Attended:

CFMC 184th Meeting in San Juan, PR

—IRA Project: “Understanding Climate Change and its Impact on the Fishery Ecosystem and the Fisher’s Community in the U.S. Caribbean”

—Short Break

10:20 a.m.–11 a.m.

—Update on Status of the Fishery Ecosystem Plan (FEP)—Liajay Rivera

11 a.m.–12 p.m.

—Update of the Island-Based Fishery Management Plans

—Fact Sheets on IBFMP

12 p.m.–1 p.m.

—Lunch

1 p.m.–3 p.m.

—OEAP Recommendation of Outreach Strategies on IBFMPs for Puerto Rico, St. Thomas/St. John, and St. Croix, U.S.V.I.

—Liaisons Recommendations

—Liaisons Reports;

—Wilson Santiago—Puerto Rico

—Nicole Greaux/St. Thomas, U.S.V.I.

—St. Croix, U.S.V.I.

—CFMC Facebook, Instagram and YouTube Communications with Stakeholders—Cristina Olán

—Other Business

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Dated: November 14, 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

[RTID 0648–XE400]

Takes of Marine Mammals Incidental to Specified Activities; Taking Marine Mammals Incidental to BNSF Railway Bridge Heavy Maintenance Project in King County, Washington

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

ACTION: Notice; issuance of incidental harassment authorizations.

SUMMARY: NMFS has received a request from BNSF Railway (BNSF) for the reissuance of two consecutive previously issued incidental harassment

authorizations (IHAs) with the only change being effective dates. The initial IHAs authorized take of seven species of marine mammals incidental to construction associated with the BNSF Railway Bridge Heavy Maintenance Project.

DATES: These authorizations are effective from July 16, 2025, to July 15, 2026, and from July 16, 2026, to July 15, 2027, respectively.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rob Pauline, 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 issued or, if the taking is limited to harassment, an IHA is issued.

Authorization for incidental takings shall be granted if NMFS finds that the taking will have a negligible impact on the species or stock(s) and will not have an unmitigable adverse impact on the availability of the species or stock(s) for taking for subsistence uses (where relevant). Further, NMFS must prescribe the permissible methods of taking and other “means of effecting the least practicable adverse impact” on the affected species or stocks and their habitat, paying particular attention to rookeries, mating grounds, and areas of similar significance, and on the availability of the species or stocks for taking for certain subsistence uses (referred to in shorthand as “mitigation”); and requirements pertaining to the mitigation, monitoring and reporting of the takings are set forth. The definitions of all applicable MMPA statutory terms used above are included in the relevant sections below and can be found in section 3 of the MMPA (16 U.S.C. 1362) and NMFS regulations at 50 CFR 216.103.

Summary of Request

On April 15, 2022, NMFS published a final notice of our issuance of two consecutive IHAs authorizing take of marine mammals incidental to the Bridge 6.3 Heavy Maintenance Project in King County, Washington (87 FR 22506, April 15, 2022). The effective dates of the IHAs were from July 16,