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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) 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

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**Tracey L. Thompson,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Fisheries of the South Atlantic; Southeast Data, Assessment and Review (SEDAR); Procedural Workshop 7 To Develop Best Practice Recommendations for SEDAR Data Workshops

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

**ACTION:** Notice of SEDAR Procedural Workshop 7: SEDAR Data Best Practices post-workshop webinar #2.

**SUMMARY:** A post workshop webinar #2 will be held, if necessary, following the June 22-26, 2015 SEDAR Procedural Workshop 7 in Atlanta, GA. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

**DATES:** The SEDAR Procedural Workshop 7 post-workshop webinar #2 will be held, if necessary, on Monday, August 10, 2015 from 10 a.m. until 12 p.m. The established times may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the timely completion of discussion relevant to procedural workshop. Such adjustments may result in the meeting being extended from, or completed prior to the time established by this notice.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held via webinar. The webinar is open to members of the public. Those interested in participating should contact Julia Byrd at SEDAR (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) to request an invitation providing webinar access information. Please request webinar invitations at least 24 hours in advance of each webinar.

*SEDAR address:* 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, North Charleston, SC 29405.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Julia Byrd, SEDAR Coordinator, phone: (843) 571-4366; email: [julia.byrd@safmc.net](mailto:julia.byrd@safmc.net).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils, in conjunction with NOAA Fisheries and the Atlantic and Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commissions have implemented the Southeast Data, Assessment and Review (SEDAR) process, a multi-step method for determining the status of fish stocks in the Southeast Region. SEDAR is a three step process including: (1) Data Workshop; (2) Assessment Process utilizing workshops and webinars; and (3) Review Workshop.

SEDAR also coordinates procedural workshops which provide an opportunity for focused discussion and deliberation on topics that arise in multiple assessments. They are structured to develop best practices for addressing common issues across assessments. The seventh procedural workshop will develop best practice recommendations for SEDAR Data Workshops.

Workshop objectives include developing an inventory of common or recurring data and analysis issues from SEDAR Data Workshops; documenting how the identified data and analysis issues were addressed in the past and

identifying potential additional methods to address these issues; developing and selecting best practice procedures and approaches for addressing these issues in future, including procedures and approaches to follow when deviating from best practice recommendations; and identifying process to address future revision and evaluation of workshop recommendations, considering all unaddressed data and analysis issues. The post-workshop webinar #2 will be held, if necessary, to finalize best practice recommendations from the workshop.

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Western Pacific 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 Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene a Tier 3 Stock Assessment Panel Review of the draft Stock Assessment Updates for the Bottomfish Management Unit Species of American Samoa, Guam and Commonwealth of

Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) in 2015 Using Data through 2013. The Review Panel will review the soundness and reliability of the stock assessment results and conclusions for management use. The Council's Scientific and Statistical Committee will hold its 120th meeting to deliberate the results of the Tier 3 review and receive a presentation on the final stock assessment update as revised based on the Tier 3 panel recommendations. The SSC will make its determination of best available scientific information for the Council to consider in specifying Annual Catch Limits for the Territorial bottomfish fisheries. The Council will also convene a meeting of the Risk of Overfishing (denoted by P\*) Working Group (P\* WG) for the American Samoa, Guam and CNMI Bottomfish Fishery. The P\* WG will review the P\* dimensions and criteria, provide new scores (as appropriate), and recommend appropriate risk of overfishing levels. This will be the basis for the specification of Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC) levels for the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) to consider at its 121st meeting.

**DATES:** The Tier 3 Stock Assessment Peer-Review Panel will be on August 11 to 12, 2015. The 120th SSC meeting will be on September 16, 2015. The P\* WG meeting will be on September 23 to 24, 2015. For specific times and agendas, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**ADDRESSES:** The Tier 3 Stock Assessment Peer-Review Panel, P\* WG meeting and 120th SSC meeting will be held at the Council office, 1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI 96813; telephone (808) 522-8220. WebEx and teleconference facilities will be provided for the P\* WG meeting and the 120th SSC meeting for participants from American Samoa, Guam, and CNMI. The teleconference numbers are: U.S. toll-free: 1-888-482-3560 or International Access: +1 647 723-3959, and Access Code: 5228220; The web conference can be accessed at <https://wprfnc.webex.com/join/info.wpcouncilnoaa.gov>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director; telephone: (808) 522-8220.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Public comment periods will be provided. The order in which agenda items are addressed may change. The meetings will run as late as necessary to complete scheduled business.

### Schedule and Agenda for the Tier 3 Stock Assessment Panel Review

August 11, 2015—9 a.m.—4 p.m.

1. Introduction
2. Background information
  - A. Objectives and Terms of Reference
  - B. Fishery Operation
  - C. Management
3. Review of Stock Assessment Update
4. Questions to presenters
5. Panel discussions (closed)

August 12, 2015—9 a.m.—4 p.m.

6. Panel discussions, continued (closed)
7. Present results of review and recommendations
8. Adjourn

### Schedule and Agenda for the 120th SSC Meeting

September 16, 2015—1 p.m.—5 p.m.

1. Introductions
2. Approval of Draft Agenda and Assignment of Rapporteurs
3. Insular Fisheries
  - A. Report on the Tier 3 Panel Review of the Bottomfish Stock Assessment Updates for American Samoa, Guam, and CNMI
  - B. Report on the final Bottomfish Stock Assessment Updates for American Samoa, Guam, and CNMI
  - C. Public Comment
  - D. SSC Discussion and Recommendations
4. Other Business
  - A. 121st SSC Meeting
5. Summary of SSC Recommendations to the Council

### Schedule and Agenda for the P\* Working Group Meeting

September 23, 2015—1 p.m.—5 p.m.

1. Introductions
2. Recommendations from previous Council meetings
3. Overview of the P\* process
4. State of the Science for the Territory Bottomfish
  - A. Report on the Tier 3 panel review comments
  - B. Report on 2015 draft Territorial Bottomfish stock assessment updates
5. Review of the P\* Dimensions and Criteria
  - A. Assessment information
  - B. Uncertainty characterization
  - C. Stock status
  - D. Productivity and susceptibility
6. Public comment

September 24, 2015—1 p.m.—5 p.m.

7. Working group re-scoring session
  - A. Assessment information
  - B. Uncertainty characterization
  - C. Stock status

- D. Productivity and susceptibility
8. Discussion on potential changes to the P\* dimensions and criteria
9. General Discussion
10. Public comment
11. Summary of scores and P\* recommendations

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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### Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council); Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (GMFMC) will hold meetings of the: Joint Administrative Policy and Budget/Personnel, Mackerel, Shrimp, Data Collection, and Reef Fish Management Committees; in conjunction with a meeting of the Full Council. The Council will also hold a formal public comment session.

**DATES:** The Council meeting will be held August 10-13, 2015. The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Monday,