

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice; public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Research Steering Committee on December 3, 2014.

DATES: This meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 3, 2014 at 9:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES:

Meeting address: The meeting will be held at the Hotel Providence, 139 Mathewson Street, Providence, RI 02048; telephone: (401) 861–8000; fax: (401) 454–4306.

Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465–0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Research Steering Committee will: (a) Review the final report for the cooperative research project “Large Mesh [Belly] Panel in Small Mesh Fisheries as a Method to Reduce Yellowtail Flounder Bycatch in Southeast Georges Bank”; (b) review the draft report on the use of Large Mesh Belly Panel to Reduce Yellowtail Flounder and Windowpane Flounder Bycatch in the small mesh fishery on Cultivator Shoal and (c) discuss possible improvements to the research set-aside process. The Committee also may receive an update on the Council-funded collaborative groundfish research project managed by the Northeast Consortium. Other agenda items may also be discussed.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, at (978) 465–0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: November 12, 2014.

Tracey L. Thompson,

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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Western Pacific 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 Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council’s (Council) will hold public meetings to solicit public input on the management of bottomfish and yellowfin tuna in the Main Hawaiian Islands.

DATES: The meetings will be held December 2 through December 13, 2014. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific times, dates, and agenda items.

ADDRESSES: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific locations of the meetings.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Lihue, Kauai public meeting will be held on December 2, 2014, from 6 p.m.–9 p.m.; The Kaunakakai, Molokai public meeting will be held on December 3, 2014, from 6 p.m.–9 p.m.; The Aiea, Oahu public meetings will be held on December 4, 2014, from 6 p.m.–9 p.m.; The Paia, Maui public meetings will be held on December 9, 2014, from 6 p.m.–9 p.m.; The Honolulu, Oahu public meetings will be held on December 10, 2014, from 6 p.m.–9 p.m.; The Hilo, Hawaii public meetings will be held on December 12, 2014, from 6 p.m.–9 p.m.; and the Kailua-Kona, Hawaii public meetings will be held on December 13, 2014, from 10 a.m.–1 p.m.

The Lihue, Kauai public meeting will be held at the Chiefess Kamakahahei Middle School Cafeteria, 4431 Nuhou St., Lihue, Kauai, HI 96766; The Kaunakakai, Molokai public meeting will be held at the Kaunakakai Elementary School Cafeteria, 30 Ailoa St., Kaunakakai, Molokai, HI 96748; The Aiea, Oahu public meeting will be held at the Waimalu Elementary School Cafeteria, 98–825 Moanalua Rd., Aiea,

HI 96701; The Paia, Maui public meeting will be held at the Paia Community Center, Social Hall, Hana Hwy., Paia, Maui, HI 96799; The Honolulu, Oahu public meeting will be held at Washington Middle School Cafeteria, 1633 S. King St., Honolulu, HI 96826; The Hilo, Hawaii public meeting will be held at the Hilo High School Cafeteria, 556 Waianuenue Ave., Hilo, HI 96720; and the Kailua-Kona, Hawaii public meeting will be held at the Courtyard King Kamehameha’s Kona Beach Hotel, 75–5660 Palani Rd., Kailua-Kona, HI 96740.

Agenda for Public Meetings

- I. Open House Session
 - A. Welcome and Sign-in
 - B. Informational Booths
 1. State of Hawaii Bottomfish Reporting Requirements
 - a. Standardizing and Improving Catch and Effort Reporting
 - b. Volunteer Non-Commercial Reporting
 2. Federal Non-Commercial Bottomfish Permit and Reporting
 3. Yellowfin Tuna (Ahi) Science and Minimum Size Considerations
- II. Presentation and Discussion Session
 - A. Yellowfin Tuna Management Issues
 1. Report on the Status of Yellowfin Tuna Science
 2. Modification to the Minimum Size Limit for the Sale of Yellowfin Tuna
 3. Open Discussion
 - B. Main Hawaiian Islands Deep-7 Bottomfish Management Issues
 1. Non-Commercial Bag Limits
 2. Creating a Market Grace Period for the Sale of Deep-7 Bottomfish after a Fishery Closure
 3. Bottomfish Restricted Fishing Areas (BRFAs)
 - a. Proposed Changes to the Number of BRFAs
 - b. Modifications to the State Reporting Grids to Improve Reporting if BRFAs are Removed
 4. Open Discussion
 - C. Summary and Closing

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, (808) 522–8220 (voice) or (808) 522–8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: November 12, 2014.

Tracey L. Thompson,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XD608

Endangered Species; File No. 19255

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

ACTION: Notice; receipt of application.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control (DENREC) [Michael Stangl, Responsible Party], 3002 Bayside Dr., Dover, Delaware 19977, has applied in due form for a permit to take shortnose sturgeon (*Acipenser brevirostrum*) in the Delaware River for purposes of scientific research.

DATES: Written, telefaxed, or email comments must be received on or before December 17, 2014.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review by selecting "Records Open for Public Comment" from the *Features* box on the Applications and Permits for Protected Species (APPS) home page, <https://apps.nmfs.noaa.gov>, and then selecting File No. 19255 from the list of available applications.

Documents are also available upon written request or by appointment in the Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301) 427-8401; fax (301) 713-0376.

Written comments on either application should be submitted to the Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, at the address listed above. Comments may also be submitted by facsimile to (301) 713-0376, or by email to NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov. Please include the File No. in the subject line of the email comment.

Those individuals requesting a public hearing should submit a written request to the Chief, Permits and Conservation Division at the address listed above. The request should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on the application(s) would be appropriate.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Malcolm Mohead or Rosa L. González, (301) 427-8401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permits are requested under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR parts 222-226).

The applicant is requesting authorization for a scientific research permit for takes of shortnose sturgeon in the Delaware River. The research objectives would be to document nursery areas, individual movement patterns, seasonal movements, home ranges, and habitats of juvenile shortnose sturgeon through the use of telemetry. Annually, up to 50 adult to juvenile shortnose sturgeon would be captured, weighed, measured, examined for tags, marked with Passive Integrated Transponder (PIT) tags and Floy tags, and released. Up to 15 juvenile shortnose sturgeon would also be anesthetized and implanted with acoustic transmitters and tracked. One unintentional mortality of a shortnose sturgeon is requested annually during the five year permit.

Dated: November 10, 2014.

Perry Gayaldo,

Deputy Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Patent and Trademark Office

Patent and Trademark Resource Centers Metrics

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on this information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before January 16, 2015.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- Email: InformationCollection@uspto.gov. Include "Patent and Trademark Resource Centers Metrics comment" in the subject line of the message.

- Mail: Marcie Lovett, Records Management Division Director, Office of the Chief Information Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

- Federal Rulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information should be directed to the attention of Chris Kitchens, Manager, Patent and Trademark Resource Center Program, Office of the Chief Information Officer, United States Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1451, Alexandria, VA 22313-1451, by telephone at 571-272-5750, or by email to Christine.Kitchens@uspto.gov. Additional information about this collection is also available at <http://www.reginfo.gov> under "Information Collection Review."

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Patent and Trademark Resource Centers (PTRCs) are a nationwide network of public, state and academic libraries that are designated by the USPTO to disseminate patent and trademark information and to support the diverse intellectual property needs of the public. Accessing the patent and trademark information at a PTRC with the help of a trained specialist, allows the public to determine if someone else has already patented an invention or obtained a federal registration for a trademark on goods or services.

Recognition as a PTRC is authorized under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 2(a)(2), which provides that the USPTO shall be responsible for disseminating to the public information with respect to patents and trademarks. In order to be designated as a PTRC, libraries must fulfill the following requirements: (1) Assist the public in the efficient use of patent and trademark information resources; (2) provide free access to patent and trademark resources provided by the USPTO; (3) provide metrics on the use of patent and trademark services provided by the member library as stipulated by the USPTO; (4) provide metrics on outreach efforts conducted by the member library as stipulated by the USPTO; and (5) send representatives to attend the USPTO-hosted PTRC training seminars.

Since the PTRC requirements stipulate that the participating libraries must submit metrics in order to be designated as a PTRC, the USPTO is submitting this information collection for review under the PRA. The information collected enables the USPTO to more effectively train the