

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration****[RTID 0648–XF332]****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 Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold its Fishing Industry Advisory Committee (FIAC), American Samoa Archipelago Fishery Ecosystem Plan (FEP) Advisory Panel (AP), Mariana Archipelago FEP Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) AP, Hawaii Archipelago and Pacific Remote Island Areas (PRIA) FEP AP, and Mariana Archipelago FEP Guam AP to discuss and make recommendations on fishery management issues in the Western Pacific Region.

DATES: The meetings will be held between November 24, 2025, and December 6, 2025. For specific times and agendas, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: The Council will hold its FIAC, American Samoa Archipelago FEP AP, Hawaii Archipelago and PRIA FEP AP, Mariana Archipelago FEP CNMI AP, and Mariana Archipelago FEP Guam AP meetings in a hybrid format with in-person and remote participation (Webex) options available for the members and the public. In person attendance (for members and public) for the Hawaii Archipelago and PRIA FEP AP, and FIAC meetings will be hosted at the Council Office, 1164 Bishop St., Suite 1400, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813. In-person attendance for the American Samoa Archipelago FEP AP and public will be hosted at the Tedi of Samoa, Suite 208B, P8C6+V2F, Fagotogo Village, AS 96799. In-person attendance for the Mariana Archipelago FEP CNMI AP and public will be hosted at BRI Building, Suite 205, Kopa Di Oru St., Garapan, Saipan 96950. In-person attendance for the Mariana Archipelago FEP Guam AP and public will be hosted at Cliff Pointe, 304 W. O'Brien Drive, Hagatña, GU 96910. Instructions for connecting to the web conference and providing oral public comments will be posted on the Council website at www.wpcouncil.org. For assistance with the web conference connection, contact the Council office at (808) 522–8220.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director, Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; phone: (808) 522–8220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FIAC will be held between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. (Hawaii Standard Time [HST]) on Monday, November 24, 2025. The American Samoa FEP AP will be held between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. (Samoa Standard Time [SST]) on Tuesday, December 2, 2025. The Mariana Archipelago FEP CNMI AP will be held between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. (Chamorro Standard Time [ChST]) on Thursday, December 4, 2025. The Hawaii Archipelago and PRIA FEP AP will be held between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. (HST) on Friday, December 5, 2025. The Mariana Archipelago FEP Guam AP will be held between 10 a.m. and 12 p.m. noon (ChST) on Saturday, December 6, 2025.

Public Comment periods will be provided in the agendas. 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 FIAC Meeting

Monday, November 24, 2025, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. (HST)

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Status Report on Previous FIAC Recommendations
3. Roundtable Update on Fishing/Market Issues/Impacts
4. Options for Removing Federal Fishing Prohibitions in the Marianas Trench, Rose Atoll, and Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monuments (MNM)
5. Recommendations on Commercial Fishing in the Pacific Islands Heritage MNM
6. Recent Legislation
7. Deep Set Longline Biological Opinion Review
8. Update on Electronic Monitoring Implementation
9. Upcoming Western and Central Pacific Fishery Commission Meeting and Industry Issues
10. Council Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) Project Updates
 - A. Scenario Planning
 - B. Regulatory Review
 - C. Protected Species
 - D. Community Consultation
11. Other Business
12. Public Comment
13. Discussion and Recommendations

Schedule and Agenda for the American Samoa Archipelago FEP AP Meeting

Tuesday, December 2, 2025, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. (SST)

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Review of the Last AP Recommendation and Meeting
3. Council Fisheries Issues
 - A. Recommendations on Commercial Fishing in the Pacific Islands Heritage MNM
 - B. Options for Removing Federal Fishing Prohibitions in the Rose Atoll MNM
4. Council Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) Project Update
 - A. Scenario Planning
 - B. Regulatory Review
 - C. Protected Species
 - D. Community Consultation
5. Magnuson Stevens Act Research (MSRA) Priorities Review Update
6. American Samoa Territorial Fishery Management Plan
7. Update on Deep Sea Mining Bureau of Ocean Energy Management Visit
8. AP Strategic Planning for 2025
9. Other Business
10. Public Comment
11. Discussion and Recommendations

Schedule and Agenda for the Mariana Archipelago FEP CNMI AP Meeting

Thursday, December 4, 2025, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. (ChST)

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Review of the Last AP Recommendation and Meeting
3. Council Fisheries Issues
 - A. Options for Commercial Fishing in the Marianas Trench MNM
 - B. CNMI Bottomfish Annual Catch Limit Specifications for 2026 to 2029
4. Council IRA Project Update
 - A. Scenario Planning
 - B. Regulatory Review
 - C. Protected Species
 - D. Community Consultation
5. MSRA Priorities Review
6. AP Strategic Planning for 2025
7. Other Business
8. Public Comment
9. Discussion and Recommendations

Schedule and Agenda for the Hawaii Archipelago and PRIA FEP AP Meeting

Friday, December 5, 2025, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. (HST)

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Review of the Last AP Recommendation and Meeting
3. Council Fisheries Issues
 - A. Recommendations on Commercial Fishing in the Pacific Islands Heritage MNM
 - B. Options for Fishing Prohibitions in the Papahānaumokuākea MNM

4. Council IRA Project Update
- A. Scenario Planning
- B. Regulatory Review
- C. Protected Species
- D. Community Consultation
5. MSRA Priorities Review
6. State of Hawaii Holomua Maui and Hawaii Island Update
7. AP Strategic Planning for 2025
8. Other Business
9. Public Comment
10. Discussion and Recommendations

Schedule and Agenda for the Mariana Archipelago FEP Guam AP Meeting

Saturday, December 6, 2025, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. (ChST)

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Review of the Last AP Recommendation and Meeting
3. Council Fisheries Issues
- A. Options for Commercial Fishing in the Marianas Trench MNM
4. Council IRA Project Update
- A. Scenario Planning
- B. Regulatory Review
- C. Protected Species
- D. Community Consultation
5. MSRA Priorities Review
6. Guam Territorial Fishery Management Plan
7. AP Strategic Planning for 2025
- A. Guam Military Working Group Update
8. Other Business
9. Public Comment
10. Discussion and Recommendations

Special Accommodations

These meetings are 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.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Caribbean Fishery Management Council 188th Public Hybrid Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public hybrid meeting (in-person/virtual).

SUMMARY: The Caribbean Fishery Management Council (CFMC) will hold the 188th public hybrid meeting to address the items contained in the tentative agenda included in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

DATES: The 188th CFMC public hybrid meeting will be held on December 3, 2025, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on December 4, 2025, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. AST. The meeting will be held at the Westin Inn Beach Resort and Spa at Frenchman's Reef, 5 Estate Bakkerroe, St. Thomas, USVI 00801.

ADDRESSES: You may join the 188th CFMC public hybrid meeting via Zoom, from a computer, tablet, or smartphone by entering the following address:

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84328130219?pwd=65MKg0lyTe4h1Wv1fAKetKTPEdFAcx.1>.

Meeting ID: 843 2813 0219.

Passcode: 856050.

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Join instructions: <https://us02web.zoom.us/join/84328130219?signature=b92qQFAEhejZ6qk-OEv5AyZRE1oQnb3iNwa70NWCvK8>.

In case there are problems and we cannot reconnect via Zoom, the meeting will continue using GoToMeeting.

You can join the meeting from your computer, tablet, or smartphone. <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/971749317>.

You can also dial in using your phone. United States: +1 (408) 650–3123 Access Code: 971–749–317.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Miguel A. Rolón, Executive Director, Caribbean Fishery Management Council, 270 Muñoz Rivera Avenue, Suite 401, San Juan, Puerto Rico 00918–1903, telephone: (787) 398–3717.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following items included in the tentative agenda will be discussed:

December 3, 2025

9 a.m.–9:30 p.m.

—Call to Order

—Roll Call

—Adoption of Agenda

—Consideration of 187th Council Meeting Verbatim Transcription

—Executive Director's Report

9:30 a.m.–10:15 a.m.

—Fishery Management Plans Amendments, Actions and Priorities

Update for 2026—María López-Mercer, NOAA Fisheries, SERO

10:15 a.m.–10:30 a.m.

—Coffee Break

10:30 a.m.–11 a.m.

—Southeast Fishery Science Center Updates—Kevin McCarthy, Caribbean Fisheries Branch, NOAA Fisheries SEFSC

11 a.m.–12 p.m.

—Scientific and Statistical Committee Report—Vance Vicente, Chair

12 p.m.–1:30 p.m.

—Lunch Break

1:30 p.m.–2:30 p.m.

—St. Croix, St. Thomas and St. John Fishery Spiny Lobster Overfishing Limits, Acceptable Biological Catches, and Annual Catch Limits—María López-Mercer/Graciela García-Moliner

2:30 p.m.–3 p.m.

—Accountability Measure Options for Pelagic Stocks

3 p.m.–3:15 p.m.

—Coffee Break

3:15 p.m.–4:30 p.m.

—Matrix review of stocks—need for conservation and management—Sarah Stephenson, NOAA SERO

4:30 p.m.–4:45 p.m.

—Public Comment Period (5-minute presentations)

4:45 p.m.–5 p.m.

—Adjourn for the day

5 p.m.–5:30 p.m.

—Closed Session

December 4, 2025

9 a.m.–9:30 a.m.

—IRA Updates—Martha Prada, CFMC IRA Coordinator

9:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m.

—Marine Aquaculture Workshop

—Marine Aquaculture NOAA

Guidelines

—Marine Aquaculture Workshop 2026

10:30 a.m.–10:45 a.m.

—Coffee Break

10:45 a.m.–11:30 a.m.

—Outreach and Education Advisory Panel (OEAP) Report—Jannette Ramos, Chair

—CFMC Social Networks—Cristina Olán