

5. Joint partnerships/teaming arrangements;

6. Other.

b. If you or your business have not been a client of a MBDA Business Center, please state reasons why, if any?

6. Do the goals and objectives of the MBDA Business Centers—AIAN align with your Tribe's business and economic development goals? If so, please elaborate. If not, please provide recommendations for improvements, enhancements or alternatives.

Comments must include the following: Name and title of commenter, name of tribe, tribal organization or business, AIAN location (if applicable), city, and state.

Dated: November 2, 2016.

Josephine Arnold,

Chief Counsel, Minority Business Development Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0649-XF021

Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting via webinar.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council will hold a meeting of its Standing and Reef Fish Scientific and Statistical Committees (SSC) via webinar.

DATES: The meeting will convene on Tuesday, November 22, 2016, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. EST.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held via webinar; you may attend by registering at: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3715638296142754308>. See below for instructions on how to register.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 N. Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607; telephone: (813) 348-1630.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven Atran, Senior Fishery Biologist, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; steven.atran@gulfcouncil.org; telephone: (813) 348-1630.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Tuesday, November 22, 2016; 10 a.m.–11 a.m.

I. Introductions, Voice ID, and Adoption of Agenda

II. SEDAR 48 (Black Grouper)

Benchmark Assessment Preparation

- a. Review and Approval of Terms of Reference

- b. Review of Project Schedule

- c. Selection of Appointees to Data, Assessment, and Review Workshops

III. Other Business

Meeting Adjourns

Both participants and observers must register in advance for the webinar. You may register for the SSC: Standing and Reef Fish webinar by going to the Council's Web site (<http://www.gulfcouncil.org>) and clicking on "Committee & Panel meetings, or by entering the following link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/3715638296142754308>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

The Agenda is subject to change, and the latest version along with other meeting materials will be posted on the Council's file server. To access the file server, the URL is <https://public.gulfcouncil.org:5001/webman/index.cgi>, or go to the Council's Web site and click on the FTP link in the lower left of the Council Web site (<http://www.gulfcouncil.org>). The username and password are both "gulfguest". Click on the "Library Folder", then scroll down to "SSC meeting-2016-11 webinar".

The meeting will be webcast over the internet. See above for instructions on registering for the webinar.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agenda may come before the Scientific and Statistical Committee for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Actions of the Scientific and Statistical Committee will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under Section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other

auxiliary aids should be directed to Kathy Pereira at the Gulf Council Office (see **ADDRESSES**), at least 5 working days prior to the meeting.

Dated: November 2, 2016.

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-XF023

Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice; public hearings and webinar.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold eight public hearings and one webinar to solicit public comments on Coastal Migratory Pelagics (CMP) Amendment 29—Allocation Sharing and Accountability Measures for the Gulf of Mexico Migratory Group of King Mackerel.

DATES: The public hearings will be held November 30–December 8, 2016. The meetings will begin at 6 p.m. and will conclude no later than 9 p.m. For specific dates and times, see

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

ADDRESSES: The public documents can be obtained by contacting the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 N. Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607; (813) 348-1630 or on their Web site at www.gulfcouncil.org.

Meeting addresses: The public hearings will be held in Tampa, Key West and Panama City, FL; Port Aransas and Galveston, TX; Pascagoula, MS; Mobile, AL; Houma, LA; and one webinar. For specific locations, see

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

Public comments: Comments may be submitted online through the Council's public portal by visiting www.gulfcouncil.org and clicking on "CONTACT US".

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Douglas Gregory, Executive Director, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 348-1630.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The agenda for the following eight hearings and one webinar are as follows: Council

staff will brief the public on CMP Amendment 29—Allocation Sharing and Accountability Measures for the Gulf of Mexico Migratory Group of King Mackerel. Staff will then open the meeting for questions and public comments. The schedule is as follows:

Locations, Schedules, and Agendas

Wednesday, November 30, 2016; Hilton Tampa Westshore Airport hotel, 2225 N. Lois Avenue, Tampa, FL 33607; telephone: (813) 877-6688;

Thursday, December 1, 2016; Harvey Government Center, 1200 N. Truman Avenue, Key West, FL 33040; telephone: (305) 295-4385;

Monday, December 5, 2016; Hampton Inn & Suites, 2208 Highway 361, Port Aransas, TX 78373; telephone: (361) 749-8888; Hilton Garden Inn, 2703 Denny Avenue, Pascagoula, MS 39563; telephone: (228) 762-7182;

Tuesday, December 6, 2016; Hilton Galveston Island, 5400 Seawall Boulevard, Galveston, TX 77551; telephone: (409) 744-5000; Renaissance Mobile Riverview Plaza Hotel, 64 South Water Street, Mobile, AL 36602; telephone: (251) 438-4000;

Wednesday, December 7, 2016; Marriott Courtyard, 142 Library Drive, Houma, LA 70360; telephone: (985) 223-8996; Hilton Garden Inn, 1101 North U.S. Highway 231, Panama City, FL 32405; telephone: (850) 392-1093;

Thursday, December 8, 2016, Webinar—6 p.m. EST at: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/1169421153446562050>

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kathy Pereira (see **ADDRESSES**), at least 5 working days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: November 2, 2016.

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-XF003

Fishing Capacity Reduction Program for the Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Salmon Fishery

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

ACTION: Notice of eligible voters; referendum voting period; public meetings.

SUMMARY: NMFS issues this notice to inform persons of their eligibility to vote and referendum voting period in the fishing capacity reduction program referendum for a second loan in the Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Salmon Fishery. NMFS will hold a series of public meetings with Southeast Alaska purse seine salmon permit holders and interested individuals.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before 5 p.m. EST December 7, 2016.

The meetings will be held between November 14 and November 17, 2016. For specific times, please see the Public Meetings heading in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held in Sitka, AK, Ketchikan, AK, Petersburg, AK, and Seattle, WA. For specific locations, please see Public Meetings heading in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section. Send comments about this notice to Paul Marx, Chief, Financial Services Division, NMFS, Attn: SE Alaska Purse Seine Salmon Buyback, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael A. Sturtevant at (301) 427-8799, fax (301) 713-1306, or michael.a.sturtevant@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

The Southeast Alaska purse seine salmon fishery is a commercial fishery in Alaska state waters and adjacent Federal waters. It encompasses the commercial taking of salmon with purse seine gear, and participation is limited to fishermen designated by the Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission (CFEC). Congress authorized a \$23.5 million loan to finance a fishing capacity reduction program in the Southeast Alaska purse seine salmon fishery. NMFS published proposed program regulations on May 23, 2011 (76 FR 29707), and final

program regulations on October 6, 2011 (76 FR 61986), to implement the reduction program.

In 2012, NMFS conducted a referendum to determine the remaining fishermen's willingness to repay a \$13.1 million fishing capacity reduction loan to remove 64 permits. After a majority of permit holders approved the loan, NMFS disbursed payments to the successful bidders and began collecting fees to repay the loan. Since only \$13.1 million was expended from the total loan amount, \$10.4 remains available. This second referendum, if approved, will result in a second loan of \$5.8 million and permanently retire an additional 22 permits from the fishery.

In August 2016, the Southeast Revitalization Association submitted a second capacity reduction plan to NMFS and NMFS approved the second plan in October 2016. The final regulations require NMFS to publish this notice before conducting a referendum to determine the industry's willingness to repay a second fishing capacity reduction loan to purchase the permits identified in the second reduction plan.

As of October 21, 2016, there are 315 permits in the fishery designated as S01A by CFEC. These permanent permit holders are eligible to vote in this second referendum. Comments may address: (1) Persons who appear on the below list but should not; (2) persons who do not appear on the list but should; (3) persons whose names and/or business mailing addresses are incorrect; and (4) any other pertinent matter. NMFS will update the list, as necessary, immediately before mailing referendum ballots. Mailed ballots will be accompanied by NMFS' detailed voting guidance.

II. Referendum Voting Period

The referendum voting period will start December 13, 2016 and end on January 13, 2017. Any votes not received by NMFS by 5 p.m. on January 13, 2017, will not be counted.

III. Public Meetings

NMFS will hold a series of four public informational meetings with Southeast Alaska purse seine salmon permit holders and interested individuals:

- Monday, November 14, 2016, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Sitka, AK, at the Westmark Sitka Hotel (330 Seward Street).
- Tuesday, November 15, 2016, from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. in Ketchikan, AK, at the Best Western Plus Landing Hotel (3434 Tongass Avenue).
- Wednesday, November 16, 2016, from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. in Petersburg,