Section 11 of the NCST Act (Pub. L. 107–231, codified at 15 U.S.C. 7301 et seq.). The Committee is currently composed of six members, appointed by the Director of NIST, who were selected on the basis of established records of distinguished service in their professional community and their knowledge of issues affecting the National Construction Safety Teams. The Committee advises the Director of NIST on carrying out the NCST Act; reviews the procedures developed for conducting investigations; and reviews the reports issued documenting investigations. Background information on the NCST Act and information on the NCST Advisory Committee is available at https://www.nist.gov/topics/disaster-failure-studies/national-construction-safety-team-ncst/advisory-committee.

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. App., notice is hereby given that the NCST Advisory Committee will meet on Tuesday, February 20, 2018 from 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time. The meeting will be open to the public. The meeting will be held via teleconference and in Conference Room B205 of Building 226, NIST, 100 Bureau Drive, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899. The primary purpose of this meeting is to update the Committee on the progress of the implementation of the recommendations made as a result of the Technical Investigation of the May 22, 2011, Tornado in Joplin, Missouri and provide the Committee with an overview of the ongoing work related to the recent reconnaissance teams deployed to Texas, Florida, Puerto Rico and California. The agenda may change to accommodate Committee business. The final agenda will be posted on the NIST website https://www.nist.gov/topics/disaster-failure-studies/national-construction-safety-team-ncst/advisory-committee-meetings.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to items on the Committee’s agenda for this meeting are invited to request a place on the agenda. Approximately twenty-five minutes will be reserved near the conclusion of the meeting for public comments, and speaking times will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received, but is likely to be three minutes each. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period. All those wishing to speak must submit their request by email to the attention of Mr. Benjamin Davis, Benjamin.Davis@nist.gov, by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Friday, February 9, 2018. Speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated on the agenda, and those who were unable to attend are invited to submit written statements to the NCST, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, MS 8604, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899–8604, or electronically by email to Benjamin.Davis@nist.gov.

To participate in the teleconference, please submit your first and last name, email address, and phone number to Benjamin Davis at Benjamin.Davis@nist.gov or (301) 975–6071. After pre-registering, participants will be provided with detailed instructions on how to join the teleconference remotely. All visitors to the NIST site are required to pre-register to be admitted. Anyone wishing to attend this meeting must register by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Friday, February 9, 2018, to attend. Please submit your full name, email address, and phone number to Benjamin Davis at Benjamin.Davis@nist.gov; his phone number is (301) 975–6071. Non-U.S. citizens must submit additional information; please contact Mr. Davis. For participants attending in person, please note that federal agencies, including NIST, can only accept a state-issued driver’s license or identification card for access to federal facilities if such license or identification card is issued by a state that is compliant with the REAL ID Act of 2005 (Pub. L. 109–13), or by a state that has an extension for REAL ID compliance. NIST currently accepts other forms of federal-issued identification in lieu of a state-issued driver’s license. For detailed information, please contact Mr. Davis or visit: http://www.nist.gov/public_affairs/visitor/.

Kevin Kimball, NIST Chief of Staff.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Institute of Standards and Technology

Intent To Terminate Selected National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program (NVLAP) Services

AGENCY: National Institute of Standards and Technology, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Chief of the National Institute of Standards and Technology's (NIST) National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program (NVLAP) may terminate a specific Laboratory Accreditation Program (LAP) when it is determined that a need no longer exists to accredit laboratories for the services covered under the scope of the LAP. The Chemical Calibration: Certifiers of Spectrophotometric NIST Traceable Reference Materials (NTRMs) Program is comprised of laboratories that design, prepare, characterize, certify and distribute NTRM filter reference materials. Based on a lack of participation, the Chief of NVLAP has preliminarily determined that a need no longer exists to accredit laboratories for the services covered under the scope of this program and is proposing termination of the LAP. NIST is requesting written comment on the proposed termination.

DATES: Comments on the proposed termination must be received no later than April 13, 2018.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the proposed terminations must be submitted to: Chief, National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 2140, Gaithersburg, MD 20899–2140, or by email to nvlap@nist.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dana Leaman, Chief, National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program, (301) 975–4016 or dana.leaman@nist.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NIST administers NVLAP under regulations found in 15 CFR part 285. NVLAP provides an unbiased third-party evaluation and recognition of laboratory performance, as well as expert technical assistance to upgrade that performance, by accrediting calibration and testing laboratories found competent to perform specific calibrations or tests. NVLAP is comprised of a set of LAPs which are established on the basis of requests and demonstrated need. Each LAP includes specific test and/or calibration standards and related methods and protocols assembled to satisfy the unique needs for accreditation in the field of testing, field of calibration, product, or service. Under 15 CFR 285.5, the Chief of NVLAP may terminate a specific LAP when it is determined that a need no longer exists to accredit laboratories for the services covered under the scope of the LAP. The Chemical Calibration: Certifiers of Spectrophotometric NTRMs Program is comprised of laboratories that design, prepare, characterize, certify and distribute NTRM filter reference materials. A review of the Chemical Calibration: Certifiers of
Spectrophotometric NTRMs Program revealed that there are zero (0) laboratories enrolled in the program. Based on the lack of participation, the Chief of NVLAP has preliminarily determined that a need no longer exists to accredit laboratories for the services covered under the scope of the Chemical Calibration: Certifiers of Spectrophotometric NTRMs Program and proposes termination of the LAP.

After the comment period, the Chief of NVLAP shall determine if there is public support for the continuation of the LAP. If public comments support the continuation of the LAP, the Chief of NVLAP shall publish a Federal Register notice announcing its continuation. If public support does not exist for continuation, a notice of termination shall be published in the Federal Register within 90 days after the close of the comment period. If the LAP is terminated, NVLAP shall no longer grant or renew accreditations under the terminated program following the effective date of termination.

Kevin Kimball, NIST Chief of Staff.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt at (503) 820–2411 at least 10 business days prior to the meeting date.


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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Fisheries of the South Atlantic; South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of meetings of the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council’s Citizen Science Advisory Panel Action Teams via webinar.

SUMMARY: The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold meetings of the following Citizen Science Advisory Panel Action Teams via webinar: Communication/Outreach/Education; Volunteers; Projects/Topics Management; and Data Management.

DATES: The Communication/Outreach/Education Team will be held on Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at 1 p.m.; Volunteers Team meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 27, 2018 at 3 p.m.; Projects/Topics Management Team meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 28, 2018 at 10 a.m.; and Data Management Team on Wednesday, February 28, 2018 at 2 p.m. Each meeting is scheduled to last approximately 90 minutes. Additional Action Team webinar and plenary webinar dates and times will publish in a subsequent issue of the Federal Register.

ADDRESSES: Meeting address: The meetings will be held via webinar and are open to members of the public. Webinar registration is required and registration links will be posted to the Citizen Science program page of the Council’s website at www.safmc.net. Council address: South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N Charleston, SC 29405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amber Von Harten, Citizen Science Program Manager, SAFMC; phone: (843) 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220–1384; telephone: (503) 820–2280.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. John DeVore, Pacific Council, (503) 820–2413.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The primary purpose of the GMT webinars are to prepare for the March and April 2018 Pacific Council meetings. A detailed agenda for each webinar will be available on the Pacific Council’s website prior to the meeting. The GMT may also address other assignments relating to groundfish management. No management actions will be decided by the GMT. The GMT’s task will be to develop recommendations for consideration by the Pacific Council at its meetings in 2018.

Although nonemergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may be discussed, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any issues arising after publication of this document 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 intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

The public listening station is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt at (503) 820–2411 at least 10 business days prior to the meeting date.