

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the BBC Natural History Unit and Factual Productions Limited, (Responsible Party: Victoria Webb), Bridgewater House, Counterslip, Redcliffe, Bristol, BS1 6BX, United Kingdom, has applied in due form for a permit to conduct commercial or educational photography on bottlenose dolphins (*Tursiops sp.*).

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before June 29, 2026.

ADDRESSES: These documents are available upon written request via email to NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov.

Written comments on this application should be submitted via email to NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov. Please include File No. 29749 in the subject line of the email comment.

Those individuals requesting a public hearing should submit a written request via email to NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov. The request should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this application would be appropriate.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amy Hapeman or Erin Markin, Ph.D., (301) 427-8401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (MMPA; 16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216).

The applicant proposes to film the strand feeding behaviors of bottlenose dolphins in the waters of South Carolina for a television series, "Americas II". Filmmakers would approach up to 1,260 dolphins annually by vessel for behavioral observations, filming, and the operation of an unmanned aircraft system. Up to two vessels would target a group of dolphins at a time. The permit would be valid through November 2027.

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), an initial determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of the application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: May 26, 2026.

Shannon Bettridge,

Chief, Marine Mammal and Sea Turtle Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648-XF783]

Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Pacific Council) will hold an online meeting of its Ad Hoc Highly Migratory Species (HMS) Fisheries Innovation Workgroup (FIW) to discuss procedures to facilitate the development of new HMS gears and achieve the goals of the HMS Roadmap. This meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The online meeting will be held Thursday, June 18, 2026, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time, or until business for the day has been completed.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held online. Specific meeting information, including directions on how to join the meeting and system requirements will be provided in the meeting announcement on the Pacific Council's website (see <https://www.pcouncil.org>). You may send an email to Mr. Hayden York (hayden.york@pcouncil.org) or contact him at 503-820-2424 for technical assistance.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, Oregon 97220-1384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kerry Griffin, Pacific Council; telephone: 503-820-2409.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of this meeting is to continue implementation of the Pacific Council's HMS Roadmap, with the goal of facilitating development of innovative fishing gears and methods while minimizing bycatch to the extent practicable. At its June 18 meeting, the FIW will continue developing bycatch and economic benchmarks for use in evaluating HMS exempted fishing permit (EFP) fishing. The FIW is

scheduled to provide a final report and recommendations at the November 2026 Pacific Council meeting.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may be discussed, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. 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

Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mr. Hayden York (hayden.york@pcouncil.org; 503-820-2424) at least 10 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: May 26, 2026.

Key Israel Marquez,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648-XF729]

Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold public meetings of the Council.

DATES: The meetings will be held Tuesday, June 16 through Thursday, June 18, 2026. For agenda details, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: This will be an in-person meeting with a virtual option. Council members, other meeting participants, and members of the public will have the option to participate in person at the Sheraton Suites Old Town Alexandria (801 North Saint Asaph Street, Alexandria, VA 22314) or virtually via Webex webinar. Webinar connection instructions and briefing materials will be available at: <https://www.mafmc.org/briefing/june-2026>.

Council address: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N State St., Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674-2331; <https://www.mafmc.org>.

The Council's website, <https://www.mafmc.org>, also has details on the meeting location, proposed agenda, webinar listen-in access, and briefing materials.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christopher M. Moore, Ph.D., Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; telephone: (302) 526-5255.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following items are on the agenda, although agenda items may be addressed out of order (changes will be noted on the Council's website when possible.)

Tuesday, June 16th

2026 Mid-Atlantic State of the Ecosystem Report—Dr. Abby Tyrell, NEFSC

Review and provide feedback

Ecosystem Approach to Fisheries Management (EAFM) Risk Assessment Report

Review and provide feedback

Vessel Baseline Evaluation

Update on working group progress

Review summary of Advisory Panel meetings

Discuss next steps

Wednesday, June 17th

Unmanaged Commercial Landings Report

Review report and provide feedback

2027 Golden Tilefish Specifications

Review recommendations from the Advisory Panel, SSC, Monitoring Committee, and staff

Review previously adopted 2027 specifications and management measures, and recommend changes if necessary

2027–2029 Blueline Tilefish Specifications

Review recommendations from the Advisory Panel, SSC, Monitoring Committee, and staff

Adopt specifications for 2027–2029

Review and revise 2027–2029 commercial and/or recreational measures if needed

—Lunch—

Overview of NEFSC Atlantic Mackerel Cooperative Research Initiative (“MackPack”)—Dr. Anna Mercer, NEFSC

Review and provide feedback

Overview of NEFSC Fisheries Monitoring and Research Division (FMRD) Programs—Katherine McArdle, NEFSC

Review and provide feedback

Scup Winter I Framework

Review preliminary analysis and draft alternatives

Adopt range of alternatives for further development

NEFSC Surveys Update—Peter Chase, NEFSC

Update on the 2025 and 2026 fishery-independent survey seasons

Update on the Regional Industry Trawl Survey (RIBTS)

Other survey related topics

Acknowledgement of Outgoing Council Members

Thursday, June 18th

Business Session

Committee Reports (Scientific and Statistical Committee); Executive Director's Report; Organization Reports; and Liaison Reports

Other Business and General Public Comment

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).

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aid should be directed to Shelley Spedden, (302) 526-5251, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: May 26, 2026.

Rey Israel Marquez,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Generic Clearance for Socioeconomics of Coral Reef Conservation, Hawai'i 2027 Survey

The Department of Commerce will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. We invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. This notice pertains to an individual survey under the approved collection of information for Socioeconomics of Coral Reef Conservation. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on January 5, 2024 during a 60-day comment period and on April 15, 2024 during an additional 30-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments with respect to the Hawai'i survey.

Agency: National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

Title: Generic Clearance for Socioeconomics of Coral Reef Conservation, Hawai'i 2027 Survey.

OMB Control Number: 0648-0646.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular. Revision of an approved information collection.

Number of Respondents: 1,700.

Average Hours Per Response: 20 minutes (0.33 hours).

Total Annual Burden Hours: 567 hours.

Needs and Uses: This request is for a revision to the currently approved collection of information, OMB Control Number 0648-0646, under the Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*, and implementing regulations at 5 CFR part 1320. This previously-approved information collection assists NOAA in the administration of the National Coral Reef Monitoring Program (NCRMP), which was established by the NOAA Coral Reef Conservation Program (CRCP) under the authority of the Coral Reef Conservation Act of 2000, 16