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

As required by the ESA, as applicable, issuance was based on a finding that such permits: (1) were applied for in good faith; (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of such endangered species; and (3) are consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: November 10, 2026.

Larissa Plants,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648–XG144]

Determination of Overfishing or an Overfished Condition

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This action serves as a notice that NMFS has found that Eastern Gulf of Maine Atlantic cod, Western Gulf of Maine Atlantic cod, Georges Bank Atlantic cod, and Southern New England Atlantic cod are overfished; and Western Gulf of Maine Atlantic cod and Southern New England Atlantic cod are also subject to overfishing.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Malloree Hagerty, (301) 427–2543.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to section 304(e)(2) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, 16 U.S.C. 1854(e)(2), NMFS must notify the appropriate Fishery Management Council, and publish a notice in the **Federal Register**, whenever it determines that a stock or stock complex is subject to overfishing, overfished, or approaching an overfished condition.

NMFS has determined that Eastern Gulf of Maine Atlantic cod, Western Gulf of Maine Atlantic cod, Georges Bank Atlantic cod, and Southern New England Atlantic cod are overfished. These determinations are based on the most recent stock assessments completed in 2024, using data through 2023, that found the spawning stock biomass for each stock is less than their minimum stock size thresholds, which supports the determination that the stocks are overfished. NMFS has informed the New England Fishery Management Council that it must prepare rebuilding plans for these stocks.

NMFS has determined that Western Gulf of Maine Atlantic cod and Southern New England Atlantic cod are also subject to overfishing. These determinations are based on the most recent stock assessments completed in 2024, using data through 2023, that found the fishing mortality for both stocks is greater than their maximum fishing mortality thresholds, which supports the determination that the stocks are subject to overfishing. NMFS has informed the New England Fishery Management Council that it must end overfishing for these stocks.

Dated: November 12, 2026.

Shannon Bettridge,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648–XG190]

Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold its 162nd Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) and Fishing Industry Advisory Committee (FIAC) meetings to discuss and make recommendations on fishery management issues in the Western Pacific Region.

DATES: The meetings will be held between December 8 and December 10, 2026. For specific times and agendas, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: The 162nd SSC and FIAC meetings will be held by web conference via Webex. Specific information for connecting to the web conference and providing oral public comments will be posted on the Council website at *https://www.wpcouncil.org.* For assistance with the web conference connection, contact the Council office at (808) 522–8220.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 162nd SSC meeting will be held between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. Hawaii Standard Time (HST) on December 8–9, 2026, and between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. HST on December 10, 2026. The FIAC meeting will be held between 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. HST on December 10, 2026.

The order in which agenda items are addressed may change and will be announced as soon as practicable before the listed agenda item during the meetings. The meetings will run as late as necessary to complete scheduled business.

Agenda for the 162nd SSC Meeting

Tuesday, December 8, 2026, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. HST

1. Introductions
2. Approval of Draft Agenda and Assignment of Rapporteurs
3. Status of the 161st SSC Meeting Recommendations
4. Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center Director's Report
5. Pelagic & International Fisheries
   - A. Revising the Hawaii Shallow-set Longline Fishery Sea Turtle Measures
   - A.1. Draft Alternatives and Overview of Analyses
   - A.2. Estimating Anticipated Turtle Interactions without Interaction Limits & SSC Working Group (WG) Review
   - A.3. Assessment of Population Level Impacts of North Pacific (NP) Loggerhead and Western Pacific (WP) Leatherback Turtles in the Hawaii Shallow-set Longline Fishery
   - B. Revising the American Samoa Longline Fishery Sea Turtle Measures
   - B.1. Draft Alternatives and Overview of Analyses
   - B.2. Effects of Amendment 5 on Target and Non-target Catch, and Sea Turtle Interactions
   - C. Revising the Swordfish Retention Limit in the Hawaii Deep-set Longline Fishery
   - D. Electronic Monitoring (EM) Sampling and Footage Review Approach
   - E. Stock Assessment Feasibility and Data Evaluation for Hawai'i's Secondary Pelagics
   - F. Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC) Outcomes and Discussion

G. Public Comment
H. SSC Discussion and Recommendations

Wednesday, December 9, 2026, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. HST

6. Island Fisheries
A. Update on Monuments and Fishing Regulations
A.1. Experimental Fishing Permit for the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands (NWHI)
A.2. Monument Science Plan
B. Guam Bottomfish Assessment Framework Workshop Report and Discussion on Next Steps
C. Public Comment
D. SSC Discussion and Recommendations
7. Program Planning and Research
A. Review and Update of the 3-year SSC Plan
B. Review and Update of the SSC Special Projects List
C. Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) Project Updates
C.1. Community Consultation Projects
C.2. Protected Species Phase 2 Final Report
D. Public Comment
E. SSC Discussion and Recommendations

Thursday, December 10, 2026, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. HST

8. Other Business
A. SSC Meeting Schedule and Potential WGs
9. Summary of SSC Recommendations to the Council

Agenda for the FIAC Meeting

Thursday, December 10, 2026, 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. Experimental Fishing Permit for NWHI
5. Fishery Development and Opportunity Needs
A. Hawaii
B. Guam
C. Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI)
D. American Samoa
6. Seafood Executive Order Priority Actions
A. Revising the Hawaii Shallow-set Sea Turtle Measures
B. Revising the American Samoa Longline Fishery Sea Turtle Measures
C. Removing the Swordfish Retention Limit in Hawaii Deep-set Fishery
7. WCPFC Outcomes
8. Legislative Updates
9. Other Issues
10. Public Comment
11. 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.*

Dated: November 12, 2026.

Rey Israel Marquez,

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

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Notice of Intent To Extend Collection 3038–0082, Whistleblower Provisions

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Commodity Futures Trading Commission (''Commission'' or ''CFTC'') is announcing an opportunity for public comment on the proposed renewal of a collection of certain information by the agency. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (''PRA''), Federal agencies are required to publish notice in the **Federal Register** concerning each proposed collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of information, and to allow 60 days for public comment. This notice solicits comments on the extension of information collection requirements related to implementing the Whistleblower Provisions of Section 23 of the Commodity Exchange Act.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before January 15, 2027.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by ''OMB Control No. 3038–0082,'' by any of the following methods:

• *Regulations.gov:* Go to *https://www.regulations.gov* and press the ''Search'' button, then proceed as follows:

1. Under Refine Documents Results—check the box to ''Only show documents open for comment'';

2. Under Agency—select ''See More'' and check the box for ''Commodity Futures Trading Commission,'' then press the Apply button;

3. Identify this notice in the list of CFTC documents open for comment, press the ''Comment'' button to open the submission form, and follow the instructions on the form.

Alternatively, if you are viewing this notice on *www.federalregister.gov,* click the ''Submit A Public Comment'' button at the top of the page to open the comment form. Follow the instructions on the form to submit your comment to *Regulations.gov.*

• *Mail:* Send to—Christopher Kirkpatrick, Secretary of the Commission, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581.

• *Hand Delivery/Courier:* Address to—CFTC Comment Submission, Attn: Christopher Kirkpatrick, Secretary of the Commission, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street NW, Washington, DC 20581.

Please submit your comments using only one of these methods. To avoid possible delays with mail or in-person deliveries, submissions through *Regulations.gov* are encouraged.

All comments must be submitted in English, or if not, accompanied by an English translation. Do not include in your comment text or attachments any personal identifying information or business information that you do not want published online. Comments (regardless of submission method) will be published without review for, and without removal of, any personal identifying information or information your business may consider confidential.

If you wish to submit confidential information for the Commission's consideration, please contact the CFTC personnel listed in this Notice under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** before making any submission. Please also carefully review the Commission's procedures in 17 CFR 145.9 for requesting confidential treatment under the Freedom of Information Act (''FOIA'') of information submitted to the Commission.

The CFTC reserves the right, but shall have no obligation, to review, pre-screen, filter, or redact all or any part of your comment submission. The CFTC also reserves the right, without further notification, to refuse to publish or to remove from public view all or any part of your submission to the extent it contains content inappropriate for publication in a comment file, such as—without limitation—obscene language, threats of violence, solicitations for commercial sales or illegal activity, or obvious spam. If a submission that is