

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Southwest Regional Office of NMFS, 501 West Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213:

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: James J. Morgan at (310) 980-4036.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to James J. Morgan at NMFS Regional Office (see ADDRESSES) by July 8, 1994.

Dated: June 16, 1994.

David S. Crestin,

Acting Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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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 Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Halibut Advisory Subpanel will hold a meeting on July 11-12, 1994, at the Council office conference room, 2130 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 224, Portland, OR. The meeting will begin on July 11 at 1:00 p.m. and run until approximately 5:00 p.m. The subpanel will reconvene on July 12 at 8:00 a.m. and continue until business is completed.

The subpanel will meet with agency halibut managers to review a preliminary analysis of alternatives for allocating Pacific halibut in Area 2A beginning in 1995. Subpanel recommendations will be submitted to the Pacific Fishery Management Council at its August 2-5, 1994 meeting in Portland, OR.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lawrence D. Six, Executive Director, Pacific Fishery Management Council, 2000 SW First Avenue, Suite 420, Portland, OR 97201, until June 30, 1994; and at 2130 SW Fifth Avenue, Suite 224, Portland OR 97201, after June 30, 1994; telephone: (503) 326-6352 (telephone number will not change).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to

Michelle Perry Sailer at (503) 326-6352 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: June 16, 1994.

David S. Crestin,

Acting Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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New England Fishery Management Council; Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a 2-day public meeting on June 29-30, 1994, at the Kings Grant Inn, Rt. 128 and Trask Lane, Danvers, MA 01923; telephone: (508) 774-6800.

The meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m. on June 29, and at 8:30 a.m. on June 30. The meeting will conclude on June 30 at approximately 5:00 p.m.

The meeting will commence with a report on the Council Chairmen's meeting including their discussion on the reauthorization of the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act.

During the afternoon session, the Groundfish Committee chair will report on the two framework adjustments to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan:

(a) To change the square mesh specification in the Stellwagen Bank and Jeffreys Ledge protection areas; and
(b) To require a 3-inch mesh size and 10-inch fish size for the Cultivator Shoal whiting fishery.

The Council also will review a draft public hearing document for the whiting fishery in the Northeast.

The afternoon session will conclude with a report from the Large Pelagics Committee chair reviewing recreational fishery issues, adjustments to the shark plan and overfishing definitions for Atlantic billfish.

On June 30, the Interspecies Committee chair will review their discussion on long-term management issues facing the New England fleet. This will be followed by a report from the Lobster Committee chair on issues associated with the partial approval of Amendment #5 and the formation of Effort Management Teams.

The afternoon session will include a report on an offshore Salmon

Aquaculture Project proposed for the exclusive economic zone by American Norwegian Inc. The Scallop Committee will report on their discussion concerning a framework adjustment to the Scallop Plan to allow fishermen to tender federal permits and fish in state waters. This will be followed by reports from the Council Chairman, Executive Director, NMFS Regional Director, Northeast Fisheries Science Center liaison, Mid-Atlantic Council liaison, U.S. Coast Guard, and Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Douglas G. Marshall, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council, 5 Broadway, Saugus, MA 01906; telephone: (617) 231-0422.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Douglas G. Marshall at (617) 231-0422 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: June 16, 1994.

David S. Crestin,

Acting Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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Groundfish of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands

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

ACTION: Issuance of an experimental fishing permit.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces the issuance of an experimental fishing permit #94-1 (EFP) to Coastal Villages Fishing Cooperative (CVFC) and Golden Age Fisheries (GAF). The EFP authorizes CVFC, GAF, and the factory trawler (F/T) REBECCA IRENE to conduct a trawl survey limited to 500 metric tons (mt) of groundfish in Kuskokwim Bay, Etolin Strait, and the area north of Nunivak Island. Results of the survey will be used to assess whether sufficient amounts of marketable groundfish are located in near-shore waters to support the development of a small-boat fishery in this area. This EFP will provide information not otherwise available through research or commercial fishing operations. The intended effect of this action is to promote the purposes and

policies of the Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the EFP and the Environmental Assessment (EA) are available by writing to Ronald J. Berg, Chief, Fisheries Management Division, Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802 (Attn: Lori Gravel).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ellen R. Varosi, Fisheries Management Biologist, 907-586-7228.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Issuance of an EFP is authorized by the Fishery Management Plan for the Groundfish Fishery of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands area and its implementing regulations at 50 CFR part 675. Regulations at § 675.6 set out the procedures for issuing EFPs to authorize fishing that would otherwise be prohibited.

NMFS announced the receipt of an application for an EFP from CVFC and GAF in the *Federal Register* on May 4, 1994

(59 FR 23054). The application requested authorization for CVFC to conduct a 1994 summer trawl survey limited to 500 mt of groundfish in Kuskokwim Bay, Etolin Strait, and an area north of Nunivak Island. The vessel that will participate in the trawl survey is the F/T REBECCA IRENE. Results of the survey will be used to ascertain the abundance of marketable fish species in near-shore waters that could be harvested from small fishing vessels in this area. CVFC consists of the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta communities of Chefnak, Chevak, Eek, Goodnews Bay, Hooper Bay, Kipnuk, Kwigillingok, Mekoryuk, Newtok, Nightmute, Platinum, Quinhagak, Scammon Bay, Toksook Bay, Tuntutuliak, and Tununak. One of the goals of CVFC is to train individuals from these villages to work at all levels of the groundfish industry, including harvesting, processing, marketing, and corporate management. The North Pacific Fishery Management Council reviewed the EFP application at its April 18-24, 1994, meeting and recommended to the Director of the Alaska Region, NMFS (Regional Director), that the EFP be approved.

The Regional Director has approved the EFP application and has issued an EFP to CVFC, GAF, and the F/T REBECCA IRENE. The EFP authorizes the F/T REBECCA IRENE to harvest 500 mt of groundfish in the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta area during the time period extending from June 15 through September 30, 1994. The objective of this allocation is to support a survey of fishery resources in this area so that CVFC, in cooperation with GAF, may

assess the feasibility of a future near-shore fishery for fishing vessels in this area. This EFP will provide information not otherwise available through research or commercial fishing operations because this area is not fished during NMFS assessment surveys and it is not economically feasible for a commercial vessel to survey this area during the open access fishery. Groundfish and prohibited species amounts associated with this permit will not be deducted from total allowable catch and prohibited species catch (PSC) amounts specified for 1994. Under this EFP, all vessels must comply with existing Federal regulations at 50 CFR parts 620 and 675, except § 675.21 and 675.20(a). PSC limits established for fishing activities authorized under this EFP are as follows: 1,250 red king crab; 2.5 mt Pacific halibut; and 0.5 mt Pacific herring.

Classification

Based on the EA prepared for this EFP, the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA, determined that no significant impact on the quality of the human environment will result from this EFP. The Regional Director determined that this experiment will not affect species listed as threatened or endangered, or areas that are critical habitat for these species under the Endangered Species Act in a way that was not already considered in previous formal and informal section 7 consultations. Additional information, including gear restrictions, scientific sampling procedures, project design, and disposition of harvested fish, is contained in the EFP.

This notice is exempt from OMB review under E.O. 12866.

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

Dated: June 13, 1994.

David S. Crestin,

Acting Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Membership of the Commission's Performance Review Board

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Membership Change of Performance Review Board.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Office of Personnel Management guidance under the Civil Service Reform Act,

notice is hereby given that the following employees will serve as members of the Commission's Performance Review Board.

Chairman: Donald L. Tendick, Acting Executive Director.

Members: Andrea Corcoran, Director, Division of Trading and Markets; Dennis Klejna, Director, Division of Enforcement; Pat Nicolette, Acting General Counsel; Blake Imel, Acting Director, Division of Economic Analysis.

DATES: Action effective June 21, 1994.

ADDRESSES: Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Office of Personnel, Room 202, 2033 K Street NW., Washington, DC 20581.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Charles W. Lang, Acting Director, Office of Personnel, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Room 202, 2033 K Street NW., Washington, DC 20581, (202) 254-3275.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This action which changes the membership of the Board supersedes the previously published *Federal Register* Notice, June 29, 1993.

Issued in Washington, DC on June 15, 1994.

Jean A. Webb,

Secretary to the Commission.

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Chicago Board of Trade Rough Rice Futures and Option Contracts and the Concurrent Transfer of Open Interest in Rough Rice Contracts From the MidAmerica Commodity Exchange to the Chicago Board of Trade

AGENCY: Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

ACTION: Notice of availability of the terms and conditions of proposed commodity futures and option contracts.

SUMMARY: The Chicago Board of Trade (CBT or Exchange) has applied for designation as a contract market in rough rice futures and futures option contracts. The Director of the Division of Economic Analysis (Division) of the Commission, acting pursuant to the authority delegated by Commission Regulation 140.96, has determined that publication of the proposals for comment is in the public interest, will assist the Commission in considering the views of interested persons, and is consistent with the purposes of the Commodity Exchange Act.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before July 21, 1994.