

Wednesday, March 21, 2007, Best Western, 6400 Dudley Drive, Naples, FL 34105; telephone: (239) 643-6655; and Thursday, March 22, 2007, City of Madeira Beach, 300 Municipal Drive, Madeira Beach, FL 33708; telephone: (727) 391-9951;

Copies of the scoping documents and related materials can be obtained by calling the Council office at (813) 348-1630.

#### Special Accommodations

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

Dated: February 28, 2007.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section to the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT); Spring Species Working Group Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Advisory Committee (Committee) to the U.S. Section to the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) announces its spring meeting with its Species Working Group Technical Advisors on April 2-3, 2007. The Committee will meet to discuss matters relating to ICCAT, including the results from the 2006 ICCAT meeting; the U.S. implementation of ICCAT decisions; the 2007 ICCAT and NMFS research and monitoring activities; the 2007 ICCAT activities; the Atlantic Tunas Convention Act-required consultation on the identification of countries that are diminishing the effectiveness of ICCAT; the results of the meetings of the Committee's Species Working Groups; and other matters relating to the international management of ICCAT species.

**DATES:** The open sessions of the Committee meeting will be held on April 2, 2007, from 8:45 a.m. to 3 p.m. and on April 3, 2006, from 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. and from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Closed sessions will be held on April 2, 2007, from 3 p.m. to approximately 6 p.m. and on April 3, 2007, from 9:15 a.m. to 11 a.m. and from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Hilton Hotel Washington-Silver Spring, 8727 Colesville Road, Silver Spring, MD 20910, telephone: 301-589-5200.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kelly Denit at (301) 713-2276.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section to ICCAT will meet in open session to receive and discuss information on (1) the 2006 ICCAT meeting results and U.S. implementation of ICCAT decisions; (2) 2007 ICCAT and NMFS research and monitoring activities; (3) 2007 ICCAT activities; (4) the Atlantic Tunas Convention Act-required consultation on the identification of countries that are diminishing the effectiveness of ICCAT; (5) the results of the meetings of the Committee's Species Working Groups; and (6) other matters relating to the international management of ICCAT species. The public will have access to the open sessions of the meeting, but there will be no opportunity for public comment.

The Committee will meet in its Species Working Groups for a portion of the afternoon of April 2, 2007, and of the morning of April 3, 2007. These sessions are not open to the public, but the results of the species working group discussions will be reported to the full Advisory Committee during the Committee's morning and afternoon open session on April 3, 2007. The Committee may also go into executive session on the afternoon of April 3, 2007, to discuss sensitive information relating to upcoming intersessional meetings of ICCAT. This session would also be closed to the public.

#### Special Accommodations

The meeting location is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kelly Denit at (301) 713-2276 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: February 28, 2007.

**William T. Hogarth,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### New England 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 New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Scallop Advisory Panels and its Scallop Committee in March, 2007, to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from these groups will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate

**DATES:** These meetings will be held on Monday, March 19, 2007, at 8 a.m. and Tuesday, March 20, 2007, at 8:30 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** These meetings will be held at the Radisson Airport Hotel, 2081 Post Road, Warwick, RI 02886; telephone: (401) 739-3000; fax: (401) 732-9309.

*Council address:* New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The panel's schedule and agenda for the meetings are as follows:

1. Monday, March 19, 2007; General Category Scallop Advisory Panel Meeting, 8 a.m. - 11 a.m. and a Joint General Category and Scallop Advisory Panel Meeting, 12 p.m. - 5 p.m.

In the morning, the General Category advisors will meet individually to review the Draft Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (DSEIS) for Amendment 11 to the Scallop Fishery Management Plan (FMP) and make final recommendations for the Scallop Committee to consider as preferred alternatives related to limited entry qualification alternatives. In the afternoon, both scallop advisory panels will meet jointly to further review the DSEIS for Amendment 11 to the Scallop FMP and make final recommendations for the Scallop Committee to consider as preferred alternatives related to all other measures in the document. If time permits, the advisors will discuss and develop potential alternatives to