

Agreement ("Agreement") establishes a mechanism to replace domestic judicial review of final determinations in antidumping and countervailing duty cases involving imports from a NAFTA country with review by independent binational panels. When a Request for Panel Review is filed, a panel is established to act in place of national courts to review expeditiously the final determination to determine whether it conforms with the antidumping or countervailing duty law of the country that made the determination.

Under Article 1904 of the Agreement, which came into force on January 1, 1994, the Government of the United States, the Government of Canada and the Government of Mexico established *Rules of Procedure for Article 1904 Binational Panel Reviews* ("Rules"). These Rules were published in the **Federal Register** on February 23, 1994 (59 FR 8686).

A first Request for Panel Review was filed with the United States Section of the NAFTA Secretariat, pursuant to Article 1904 of the Agreement, on March 12, 2008, requesting panel review of the determination and order described above.

The Rules provide that:

(a) A Party or interested person may challenge the final determination in whole or in part by filing a Complaint in accordance with Rule 39 within 30 days after the filing of the first Request for Panel Review (the deadline for filing a Complaint is April 11, 2008);

(b) A Party, investigating authority or interested person that does not file a Complaint but that intends to appear in support of any reviewable portion of the final determination may participate in the panel review by filing a Notice of Appearance in accordance with Rule 40 within 45 days after the filing of the first Request for Panel Review (the deadline for filing a Notice of Appearance is April 28, 2008); and

(c) The panel review shall be limited to the allegations of error of fact or law, including the jurisdiction of the investigating authority, that are set out in the Complaints filed in the panel review and the procedural and substantive defenses raised in the panel review.

Dated: March 26, 2008.

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Deputy United States Secretary, NAFTA Secretariat.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Evaluation of State Coastal Management Programs and National Estuarine Research Reserves

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, National Ocean Service, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Intent to Evaluate and Notice of Availability of Final Findings.

SUMMARY: The NOAA Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management (OCRM) announces its intent to evaluate the performance of the Wells (Maine) National Estuarine Research Reserve, the Narragansett Bay (Rhode Island) National Estuarine Research Reserve, and the Wisconsin Coastal Management Program.

The Coastal Zone Management Program evaluation will be conducted pursuant to section 312 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, as amended (CZMA) and regulations at 15 CFR Part 923, Subpart L. The National Estuarine Research Reserve evaluations will be conducted pursuant to sections 312 and 315 of the CZMA and regulations at 15 CFR Part 921, Subpart E and Part 923, Subpart L. The CZMA requires continuing review of the performance of states with respect to coastal program implementation. Evaluation of Coastal Management Programs and National Estuarine Research Reserves requires findings concerning the extent to which a state has met the national objectives, adhered to its Coastal Management Program document or Reserve final management plan approved by the Secretary of Commerce, and adhered to the terms of financial assistance awards funded under the CZMA.

Each evaluation will include a site visit, consideration of public comments, and consultations with interested Federal, state, and local agencies and members of the public. A public meeting will be held as part of the site visit. Notice is hereby given of the dates of the site visits for the listed evaluations, and the dates, local times, and locations of the public meetings during the site visits.

Dates and Times: The Wells (Maine) National Estuarine Research Reserve evaluation site visit will be held May 13-15, 2008. One public meeting will be held during the week. The public meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 14, 2008, at 5 p.m. at the Mather

Auditorium, Wells National Estuarine Research Reserve at Laudholm Farm, 342 Laudholm Farm Road, Wells, Maine.

The Narragansett Bay (Rhode Island) National Estuarine Research Reserve evaluation site visit will be held May 20-23, 2008. One public meeting will be held during the week. The public meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 21, 2008, at 12 noon at the Hope Brown Center, Farnham Farm, Prudence Island, Rhode Island. ONLY in the event the ferry to Prudence Island cannot operate, the public meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 21, 2008, at 12 noon at the Foundry, Room 280, 235 Promenade Street, Providence, Rhode Island.

The Wisconsin Coastal Management Program evaluation site visit will be held June 16-20, 2008. One public meeting will be held during the week. The public meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 18, 2008, at 6 p.m. at The Crossroads at Big Creek, 2041 Michigan Street, Sturgeon Bay, Wisconsin.

ADDRESSES: Copies of states' most recent performance reports, as well as OCRM's evaluation notification and supplemental information request letters to the states, are available upon request from OCRM. Written comments from interested parties regarding these Programs are encouraged and will be accepted until 15 days after the public meeting held for a Program. Please direct written comments to Kate Barba, Chief, National Policy and Evaluation Division, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, NOS/NOAA, 1305 East-West Highway, 10th Floor, N/ORM7, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910. When the evaluation is completed, OCRM will place a notice in the **Federal Register** announcing the availability of the Final Evaluation Findings.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given of the availability of the final evaluation findings for the South Slough (Oregon) National Estuarine Research Reserve (South Slough NERR) and the Maryland and New York Coastal Management Programs (CMPs). Sections 312 and 315 of the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (CZMA), as amended, require a continuing review of the performance of coastal states with respect to approval of CMPs and the operation and management of NERRs.

The states of Maryland and New York were found to be implementing and enforcing their federally approved coastal management programs, addressing the national coastal management objectives identified in

CZMA Section 303(2)(A)–(K), and adhering to the programmatic terms of their financial assistance awards. The South Slough NERR was found to be adhering to programmatic requirements of the NERR System.

Copies of these final evaluation findings may be obtained upon written request from: Kate Barba, Chief, National Policy and Evaluation Division, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, NOS/NOAA, 1305 East-West Highway, 10th Floor, N/ORM7, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910, or Kate.Barba@noaa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kate Barba, Chief, National Policy and Evaluation Division, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, NOS/NOAA, 1305 East-West Highway, 10th Floor, N/ORM7, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910, (301) 563-1182.

Dated: March 20, 2008.

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Director, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Hydrographic Services Review Panel Meeting

AGENCY: National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce

ACTION: Notice of public meeting (via conference call).

SUMMARY: The Hydrographic Services Review Panel (HSRP) was established by the Secretary of Commerce to advise the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere on matters related to the responsibilities and authorities set forth in section 303 of the Hydrographic Services Improvement Act of 1998, its amendments, and such other appropriate matters that the Under Secretary refers to the Panel for review and advice. The purpose of the conference call is to allow Panel members to deliberate and vote on recommendations related to topics presented during a public meeting in Miami, Florida, on March 7, 2008, and to allow members to deliberate and vote on drafted recommendations on the

“Integrated Ocean Observing System Operational Wave Observation Plan.” Written public comments should be submitted to Captain Steven Barnum, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), by April 15, 2008.

Date and Time: The conference call will convene at 2 p.m. Eastern Time, April 18, 2008, and end at or about 3:30 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Captain Steven Barnum, NOAA, Designated Federal Officer (DFO), Office of Coast Survey, National Ocean Service, NOAA (N/CS), 1315 East West Highway, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910; Telephone: 301-713-2770, Fax: 301-713-4019; e-mail: Steven.Barnum@noaa.gov or Hydroservices.panel@noaa.gov; and for more information visit the NOAA HSRP Web site at <http://nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/ocs/hsrp/hsrp.htm>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This conference call is available to the public through the following, toll free call-in number: (800) 779-9311 participant passcode: HSRP. Interested members of the public may call this number and listen to the meeting. Persons with hearing impairments may follow the proceedings by calling the Federal Relay Service [TTY (800) 877-8339, Voice (866) 377-8642 or Voice Carry-Over (877) 877-6280] and provide the Service with the conference call number and participant passcode. Be sure to notify the operator that it is a “Conference Call” before you provide call number and participant passcode.

Matters to be Considered: Panel deliberations and a vote is required for recommendations related to “The Integrated Ocean Observing System (IOOS) Operational Wave Observation Plan;” NOAA’s hydrographic services’ budget concerns; and other relative, programmatic issues. Briefing materials and an agenda will be posted before the conference call; please visit <http://nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/ocs/hsrp/hsrp.htm>.

Dated: March 26, 2008.

Captain Steven Barnum,

Director, Office of Coast Survey, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Permits; Foreign Fishing

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

ACTION: Notice of receipt of foreign fishing application.

SUMMARY: NMFS publishes for public review and comment information regarding a foreign fishing application submitted under provisions of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act).

DATES: Comments must be received by April 15, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Send comments or requests for a copy of the application to NMFS, Office of International Affairs, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

Comments on this notice may also be submitted by e-mail to nmfs.foreignfishing@noaa.gov. Include in the subject line the following document identifier: RIN 0648-XG74.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christopher Rogers, Office of International Affairs, (301) 713-9090.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Section 204(d) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act (16 U.S.C. 1824(d)) provides, among other things, that the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) may issue a transshipment permit which authorizes a vessel other than a vessel of the United States to engage in fishing consisting solely of transporting fish or fish products at sea from a point within the U.S. Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) or, with the concurrence of a state, within the boundaries of that state to a point outside the United States.

Section 204(d)(3)(D) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act provides that an application may not be approved until the Secretary determines that “no owner or operator of a vessel of the United States which has adequate capacity to perform the transportation for which the application is submitted has indicated ... an interest in performing the transportation at fair and reasonable rates.” NMFS is publishing this notice as part of its effort to make such a determination with respect to the application described below.