Appendix A to Subpart III of Part 97— States With Approved State Implementation Plan Revisions Concerning CAIR SO₂ Opt-In Units

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■ 7. Appendix A to subpart EEEE of part 97 is amended by adding in alphabetical order the entry "Ohio" to read as follows:

Appendix A to Subpart EEEE of Part 97—States With Approved State Implementation Plan Revisions Concerning Allocations

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■ 8. Appendix A to subpart IIII of part 97 is amended by adding in alphabetical order the entry "Ohio" under paragraphs 1. and 2. to read as follows:

Appendix A to Subpart IIII of Part 97— States With Approved State Implementation Plan Revisions Concerning CAIR NO_X Ozone Season Opt-In Units

1. * * * Ohio 2. * * * Ohio * * *

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Federal Emergency Management Agency

44 CFR Part 67

Final Flood Elevation Determinations

AGENCY: Federal Emergency Management Agency, DHS.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: Base (1% annual chance) Flood Elevations (BFEs) and modified BFEs are made final for the communities listed below. The BFEs and modified BFEs are the basis for the floodplain management measures that each community is required either to adopt or to show evidence of being already in effect in order to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP).

DATES: The date of issuance of the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM) showing BFEs and modified BFEs for each community. This date may be obtained by contacting the office where the maps are available for inspection as indicated on the table below.

ADDRESSES: The final BFEs for each community are available for inspection at the office of the Chief Executive Officer of each community. The respective addresses are listed in the table below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

William R. Blanton, Jr., Engineering Management Section, Mitigation Directorate, Federal Emergency Management Agency, 500 C Street, SW., Washington, DC 20472, (202) 646–3151.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) makes the final determinations listed below for the modified BFEs for each community listed. These modified elevations have been published in newspapers of local circulation and ninety (90) days have elapsed since that publication. The Mitigation Division Director of FEMA has resolved any appeals resulting from this notification.

This final rule is issued in accordance with section 110 of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973, 42 U.S.C. 4104, and 44 CFR part 67. FEMA has developed criteria for floodplain management in floodprone areas in accordance with 44 CFR part 60.

Interested lessees and owners of real property are encouraged to review the

proof Flood Insurance Study and FIRM available at the address cited below for each community. The BFEs and modified BFEs are made final in the communities listed below. Elevations at selected locations in each community are shown.

National Environmental Policy Act. This final rule is categorically excluded from the requirements of 44 CFR part 10, Environmental Consideration. An environmental impact assessment has not been prepared.

Regulatory Flexibility Act. As flood elevation determinations are not within the scope of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601–612, a regulatory flexibility analysis is not required.

Regulatory Classification. This final rule is not a significant regulatory action under the criteria of section 3(f) of Executive Order 12866 of September 30, 1993, Regulatory Planning and Review, 58 FR 51735.

Executive Order 13132, Federalism. This final rule involves no policies that have federalism implications under Executive Order 13132.

Executive Order 12988, Civil Justice Reform. This final rule meets the applicable standards of Executive Order 12988.

List of Subjects in 44 CFR Part 67

Administrative practice and procedure, Flood insurance, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

■ Accordingly, 44 CFR part 67 is amended as follows:

PART 67—[AMENDED]

■ 1. The authority citation for part 67 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 4001 *et seq.*; Reorganization Plan No. 3 of 1978, 3 CFR, 1978 Comp., p. 329; E.O. 12127, 44 FR 19367, 3 CFR, 1979 Comp., p. 376.

§ 67.11 [Amended]

■ 2. The tables published under the authority of § 67.11 are amended as follows:

| Flooding source(s) | Location of referenced elevation | *Elevation in feet (NGVD) +Elevation in feet (NAVD) # Depth in feet above ground. Modified | Communities affected |
|--|---|--|---|
| Breathitt County, Kentucky, and Incorporated Areas Docket No.: FEMA-B-7714 | | | |
| North Fork Kentucky River | Approximately 7.43 miles downstream of the confluence with Frozen Creek near Cy Bend. | +717 | Breathitt County (Unincorporated Areas), City of Jackson. |
| | Approximately 2.83 miles upstream of the Robinson Road Bridge at Quick Sand. | +754 | |

| Flooding source(s) | Location of referenced elevation | *Elevation in feet (NGVD) +Elevation in feet (NAVD) # Depth in feet above ground. Modified | Communities affected |
|-----------------------|----------------------------------|--|---|
| PanBowl Lake | Kentucky 15 Crossing | +732 | Breathitt County (Unincorporated Areas), City of Jackson. |
| | Kentucky 1812 Crossing | +732 | |

^{*} National Geodetic Vertical Datum.

City of Jackson

Maps are available for inspection at 1137 Main Street, Jackson, KY 41339.

Breathitt County (Unincorporated Areas)

Maps are available for inspection at 1137 Main Street, Jackson, KY 41339.

| 0 | Osage County, Oklahoma, and Incorporated Areas Docket No.: FEMA-B-7714 | | | |
|---|--|--------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| Bird Creek | Approximately 5,250 feet upstream from power line right-of-way. | +646 | Osage County (Unincorporated Areas). | |
| | Approximately 8750 feet upstream from power line right-of-way. | +648 | | |
| Eliza Creek | Approximately 4,000 ft upstream from CR–2708 | +695 +702 | City of Bartlesville. | |
| Euchee Creek | Approximately 8,250 feet downstream from confluence with Euchee Creek/Tributary (County Boundary). | +690 | Osage County (Unincorporated Areas). | |
| | Approximately 2,000 feet upstream of Unnamed Dirt Road | +791 | | |
| Tributary | Confluence with Euchee Creek | +700 | Osage County (Unincorporated Areas). | |
| | Approximately 1050 feet upstream of intersection with North Willow Creek Road. | +720 | | |
| Shell Creek | Approximately 1,600 feet downstream of North 161 St. West Avenue. | +661 | Osage County (Unincorporated Areas). | |
| | Confluence with UT 3 Shell Creek | +677 | | |
| UT 1 to Shell Creek | Confluence with Shell Creek | +668 | Osage County (Unincorporated Areas). | |
| | Approximately 1820 feet upstream of Private Road | +805 | | |
| UT 1 to UT to Horsepin Creek | Approximately 3000 feet south of intersection of 166th Street and Railroad. | +638 | Osage County (Unincorporated Areas). | |
| | Approximately 375 feet south of intersection of 166th Street and Railroad. | +644 | | |
| UT 3 to Shell Creek | Confluence with Shell Creek | +677 | Osage County (Unincorporated Areas). | |
| | Approximately 500 ft down stream of Shell Lake Dam | +693 | , | |
| UT 4 to Shell Creek | Confluence with Shell Creek | +668 | Osage County (Unincorporated Areas). | |
| | Approximately 4000 feet of confluence with Shell Creek | +673 | , | |
| UT to West Big Heart Creek | 4,000 feet downstream of mouth of creek (County Line) | +695 | City of Sand Springs. | |
| ŭ | 2,750 feet downstream of mouth of creek | +790 | | |
| West Big Heart Creek (Formerly Blackboy Creek). | Approximately 10,500 feet downstream of mouth of creek (County Line). | +722 | Osage County (Unincorporated Areas). | |
| | Approximately 8,000 feet downstream of mouth of creek | +793 | | |

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ADDRESSES

City of Bartlesville

Maps are available for inspection at 401 South Johnston Ave, Bartlesville, OK 74003.

City of Sand Springs

Maps are available for inspection at P.O. Box 338, Sand Springs, OK 74063.

Osage County (Unincorporated Areas)

Maps are available for inspection at 628 Kinekah, Pawhuska, OK 74056-0087.

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[#] Depth in feet above ground.

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|-----------------------|---|---|--|--|
| 0 | Osage County, Oklahoma and Incorporated Areas Docket No.: FEMA-B-7456 | | | |
| Bird Creek | Approximately 250 feet from confluence of Bird Creek and Mud Creek. | +818 | Osage County (Unincorporated Areas), City of Pawhuska, City of Barnsdall, Town of Avant. | |
| | Approximately 1,700 feet downstream from confluence w/ UT1 to Bird Creek. | +645 | Banisdaii, Town of Avant. | |

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Osage County

Maps are available for inspection at 628 Kihekah, Pawhuska 74056.

Town of Avant

Maps are available for inspection at City Hall: 230 W. McCoy Lane, Avant, OK 74001.

City of Barnsdall

Maps are available for inspection at 409 W. Main, Barnsdall, OK 74002.

City of Pawhuska

Maps are available for inspection at 118 W. Main, Pawhuska, OK 74056.

| Lincoln County, South Dakota, and Incorporated Areas Docket No: FEMA-B-7708 & B-7735 | | | |
|--|--|----------------|---|
| Ninemile Creek | Just downstream from 274th Street | +1385 | Town of Harrisburg. |
| | Just upstream from 272nd Street | +1472 +1477 | Town of Tea. |
| | Approximately 650 feet upstream from Ryan Drive | +1483 | |
| | Just downstream from 273rd Street | +1311 | Unincorporated Areas of Lincoln County. |
| | Just upstream from South Dakota Highway 115 | +1411 | , |
| | 1550 feet upstream from 469th Avenue | +1518 | |
| Tributary | Approximately 2150 feet downstream from 475th Avenue | +1391 | Town of Harrisburg. |
| • | Approximately 500 feet downstream from 475th Avenue at the Corporate Limit line. | +1400 | |
| | Just downstream from 273rd Street | +1417 | |
| Tributary | Just upstream from the confluence with Ninemile Creek | +1387 | Unincorporated Areas of Lincoln County. |
| | Approximately 2050 feet upstream from 273rd Street | +1425 | , |
| | Just downstream from 473rd Avenue | +1466 | |
| Schindler Creek | Just upstream from the confluence with Ninemile Creek | +1267 | Unincorporated Areas of Lincoln County. |
| | Just downstream from 477th Avenue | +1394 | , |
| | Approximately 1150 feet upstream from 271st Street | +1452 | |
| Spring Creek | Just upstream from the confluence with Big Sioux River | +1269 | Unincorporated Areas of Lincoln County. |
| | Just downstream from South Dakota Highway 11 | +1368 | , |
| | Approximately 950 feet upstream from Cliff Avenue | +1461 | |
| Tributary | Just upstream from the confluence with Spring Creek | +1346 | Unincorporated Areas of Lincoln County. |
| | Just downstream from Cody Road | +1392 | , |
| | Just upstream from 269th Street | +1425 | |

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ADDRESSES

Town of Harrisburg

Maps are available for inspection at P.O. Box 26, Harrisburg, SD 57032.

Town of Tea

Maps are available for inspection at 600 East 1st Street, P.O. Box 128, Tea, SD 57064.

Unincorporated Areas of Lincoln County

Maps are available for inspection at 224 West Ninth Street, Sioux Falls, SD 57104.

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| | Webb County, Texas and Incorporated Areas Docket No.: FEMA | A–B–7710 | |
| Chacon Creek | Confluence with Rio Grande | +394 | City of Laredo, Webb County, (Unincorporated Areas). |
| | Approximately 2000 feet downstream from confluence with Casa Blanca Lake. | +453 | |
| Tributary 1 | Confluence with Chacon Creek | +394 +422 | City of Laredo. |
| Tributary 2 | Confluence with Chacon Creek | +394 | City of Laredo, Webb County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| Tributary 3 | Approximately 1500 feet downstream from Loop 20 Confluence with Chacon Creek | +398 +436 | City of Laredo, Webb County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| | Approximately 2500 feet upstream from the intersection with Highway 59. | +444 | |
| Deer Creek | Confluence with Rio Grande | +411 +476 | City of Laredo. |
| Dellwood Tributary (Previously Las Manadas Creek Tributary 1). | Confluence with Las Manadas Creek | +410 | City of Laredo, Webb County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| 1). | Approximately 2000 feet upstream from intersection with FM 3464. | +486 | |
| Las Manadas Creek | Confluence with Rio Grande | +408 | City of Laredo, Webb County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| | Approximately 1750 feet upstream from intersection with Loop 20. | +552 | |
| Tributary 1 | Confluence with Las Manadas Creek | +412 | City of Laredo, Webb County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| Tributary 1A | Approximately 200 feet upstream from Springfield Drive Confluence with Las Manadas Creek Tributary 1 | +468 +430 | City of Laredo. |
| Tributary 2 (Formerly Las Manadas Creek Tribu- tary 3). | Approximately 1200 feet upstream from Dover/Stratford Confluence with Las Manadas Creek | +464 +418 | City of Laredo, Webb County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| tary 5). | Approximately 5050 feet upstream from intersection with FM 3464. | +489 | |
| Tributary 2A | Confluence with Las Manadas Creek Tributary 2 | +447 +459 | City of Laredo. |
| Rio Grande | Approximately 1750 feet upstream from intersection with Riverhill Road. | +391 | City of Laredo, Webb County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| Tex-Mex Railroad | Confluence with Deer Creek | +411 +400 | City of Laredo, Webb County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| Tributary | Approximately 1250 feet upstream from intersection with Tex-Mex Railroad. | +423 | (2122.). |
| Zacate Creek | Approximately 250 feet downstream from the intersection with Mexican Railroad. | +396 | City of Laredo. |
| | Confluence with Rio Grande | +399 | |

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City of Laredo

Maps are available for inspection at 1120 San Bernardo, Laredo, TX 78042.

Webb County (Unincorporated Areas)

Maps are available for inspection at 1110 Washington Street, Suite 302, Laredo, TX 78040.

| Columbia County, Wisconsin and Incorporated Areas Docket No.: FEMA-B-7708 | | | |
|---|--|------|---|
| Baraboo River | At confluence with the Wisconsin River | *790 | Columbia County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| | Downstream side of Interstate 90 | *796 | porated Areas). |

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|-----------------------|--|---|--|
| Duck Creek | Upstream side of U.S. Highway 51 | *791 | Columbia County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| | Upstream side of Chicago Milwaukee St. Paul and Pacific Railroad. | *791 | , |
| Fox River | At downstream county boundary between Columbia and Marquette counties. | *779 | City of Portage, Columbia County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| | Downstream side of Chicago Milwaukee St. Paul and Pacific Railroad. | *785 | , |
| Neenah Creek | Downstream side of County Highway CM | *781 | Columbia County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| | At confluence with Big Slough | *790 | |
| Spring Creek | Approximately ½ mile downstream of Fair Street | *805 | City of Lodi. |
| | Upstream side of Riddle Road | *834 | |
| Tributary A | At confluence with Spring Creek | *821 | City of Lodi. |
| | Approximately 1,300 feet upstream of Spring Street | *821 | |
| Wisconsin River | Downstream side of State Highway 60 | *748 | |
| | Upstream side of Interstate 39 | *798 | consin Dells, Columbia |
| | At upstream county boundary between Columbia and Adams counties. | *848 | County (Unincorporated Areas). |

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Columbia County (Unincorporated Areas)

Maps are available for inspection at: Columbia County Planning and Zoning Department, 400 DeWitt St., Portage, WI 53901.

City of Lodi

Maps are available for inspection at: City Clerk's Office, 130 S. Main St., Lodi, WI 53555.

City of Portage

Maps are available for inspection at: City Hall, 115 W. Pleasant St., Portage, WI 53901.

City of Wisconsin Dells

Maps are available for inspection at: City Hall, 300 La Crosse St., Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965.

| La Crosse County, Wisconsin and Incorporated Areas Docket No.: FEMA-B-7707 | | | |
|--|--|------|---|
| Black River | At confluence with the Black River, Mississippi River and La Crosse River. | *644 | City of Onalaska, City of La Crosse, La Crosse County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| | Just upstream of Lock & Dam 7 | *646 | (Omnociporated 7 ii cas). |
| Ebner Coulee | 100 feet south of Jackson St | *658 | City of La Crosse, La Crosse County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| | Just east of 29th St | *667 | |
| Pond 1 | Just east of 29th St | *633 | City of La Crosse. |
| | At Burlington Northern Railroad | *663 | _ |
| Pond 2 | At State Road | *656 | City of La Crosse. |
| | At Farnam Street | *656 | |
| Pond 3 | At State Road | *655 | City of La Crosse. |
| | At 200 feet north of Crestline Place | *655 | |
| Pond 4 | 500 feet south of Evergreen St | *652 | City of La Crosse. |
| | 150 feet north of Evergreen St | *652 | on, or <u>an</u> orecor. |
| Pond 5 | At Ward Avenue | *652 | City of La Crosse. |
| 1 0110 0 | At Travis Street | *653 | ony or La orocco. |
| Pond 6 | 600 feet south of East Fairchild Street | *654 | City of La Crosse. |
| 1 0110 0 | 600 feet north of West Fairchild Street | *654 | Oity of La Orosse. |
| Pond 7 | At Farnam Street | *658 | City of La Crosse. |
| 1 0110 7 | At Jackson Street | *658 | Oity of La Olosse. |
| Johns Coulee | At mouth at Mormon Creek | *725 | La Crosse County (Unincor- |
| Johns Coulee | | | porated Areas). |
| | Approximately 1 mile upstream of County Highway YY bridge. | *827 | |
| La Crosse River | Approximately 600 feet upstream of Highway 53 | *644 | City of Onalaska, City of La Crosse, La Crosse County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| | Overbank area between Goheres St. to the north and Monitor St. to the south. | *645 | , , , |

[#] Depth in feet above ground.

| Flooding source(s) | Location of referenced elevation | *Elevation in feet (NGVD) +Elevation in feet (NAVD) # Depth in feet above ground. Modified | Communities affected |
|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Left Overbank | At State Highway 16 | *655 *644 *645 | City of La Crosse. |
| Right Overbank 1 | Railroad just north of County Highway B | *649 | City of La Crosse. |
| Railroad Ditch | At Hawkins Road | *653 *650 *655 | City of La Crosse. |
| Mormon Creek | At mouth at Mississippi River | *639 | La Crosse County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| Mr. C. C. C. | At County Highway M | *766 | , |
| Mississippi River | Adjacent to Marion Road N at river mile 694 | *640 | City of La Crosse, City of Onalaska, La Crosse County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| | Approximately 3.6 miles south of Highway 35 at river mile 711. | *649 | , |
| Pammel Creek | At mouth at Mississippi River | *640 | City of La Crosse, La Crosse County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| Pammel Creek East Bank | 150 feet upstream of Hagen Road | *683 *644 | City of La Crosse, La Crosse County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| | At Leonard Street | *644 | |
| | At Meadow Lane Place | *647 *647 | |
| | At Park Lane Drive | *653 | |
| | At Midway between Park Lane Drive & Ward Avenue | *653 | |
| Sand Lake Coulee | 200 feet downstream of County Highway OT | *650 | Village of Holmen, City of Onalaska, La Crosse County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| | At Private driveway 1/4 mile north of Abnet Rd | *770 | "" " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " " |
| Right Overbank—Midway | At mouth at confluence with Sand Lake Coulee | *652 | Village of Holmen, La Crosse County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| | Approximately 1200 feet downstream of State Highway 35 | *663 | |
| Right Overbank—Golf Course. | At County Highway SN | *701 | Village of Holmen, City of Onalaska, La Crosse County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| | Golf Course boundary 0.5 mi. downstream of Moos Rd | *721 | |
| Smith Valley Creek | At mouth at La Crosse River | *658 | City of Onalaska, City of La Crosse, La Crosse County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| State Road Coulee | End of Smith Valley Road | *814 *683 | La Crosse County (Unincorporated Areas). |
| | 600 feet upstream of Hagen Rd | *687 | polatou Aloasj. |

^{*} National Geodetic Vertical Datum.

La Crosse County (Unincorporated Areas)

Maps are available for inspection at: La Crosse County Zoning, Planning and Land Information Office, 400 4th St. N, La Crosse, WI 54601.

Village of Holmen

Maps are available for inspection at: Village Hall, 421 S. Main St., Holmen, WI 54636-0158.

City of La Crosse

Maps are available for inspection at: City Hall, 400 La Crosse St., La Crosse, WI 54601.

City of Onalaska

Maps are available for inspection at: City Hall, 415 Main St., Onalaska, WI 54650.

⁺ North American Vertical Datum.

[#] Depth in feet above ground.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 97.022, "Flood Insurance.")

Dated: October 9, 2007.

David I. Maurstad,

Federal Insurance Administrator of the National Flood Insurance Program, Department of Homeland Security, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 679

[Docket No. 070213032-7032-01]

RIN 0648-XD36

Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Pacific Cod by Non-American Fisheries Act Crab Vessels Catching Pacific Cod for Processing by the Inshore Component in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska

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

ACTION: Temporary rule; closure.

SUMMARY: NMFS is prohibiting directed fishing for the 2007 Pacific cod sideboard limits apportioned to non-American Fisheries Act (AFA) crab vessels catching Pacific cod for processing by the inshore component in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska (GOA). This action is necessary to prevent exceeding the 2007 Pacific cod sideboard limits apportioned to non-AFA crab vessels catching Pacific cod for processing by the inshore component in the Central Regulatory Area of the GOA.

DATES: Effective 1200 hrs, Alaska local time (A.l.t.), October 11, 2007, until 2400 hrs, A.l.t., December 31, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jennifer Hogan, 907–586–7228.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NMFS manages the groundfish fishery in the GOA exclusive economic zone according to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska (FMP) prepared by the North Pacific Fishery Management Council under authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Regulations governing fishing by U.S. vessels in accordance with the FMP appear at subpart H of 50 CFR part 600 and 50 CFR part 679. Regulations governing sideboard protections for GOA groundfish fisheries appear at subpart B of 50 CFR part 800.

The 2007 Pacific cod sideboard limits apportioned to non-AFA crab vessels catching Pacific cod for processing by the inshore component in the Central Regulatory Area of the GOA is 979 metric tons (mt) for the GOA, as established by the 2007 and 2008 harvest specifications for groundfish of the GOA (72 FR 9676, March 5, 2007).

In accordance with § 680.22(e)(2)(i), the Administrator, Alaska Region, NMFS (Regional Administrator), has determined that the 2007 Pacific cod sideboard limits apportioned to non-AFA crab vessels catching Pacific cod for processing by the inshore component in the Central Regulatory Area of the GOA will soon be reached. Therefore, the Regional Administrator is establishing a sideboard directed fishing allowance for Pacific cod as 969 mt in the Gulf of Alaska. The remaining 10 mt in the Gulf of Alaska will be set aside as bycatch to support other anticipated groundfish fisheries. In accordance with § 680.22(e)(3), the Regional Administrator finds that this sideboard directed fishing allowance has been reached. Consequently, NMFS is prohibiting directed fishing for Pacific cod by non-AFA crab vessels catching Pacific cod for processing by the inshore component in the Central Regulatory Area of the GOA.

After the effective date of this closure the maximum retainable amounts at § 679.20(e) and (f) apply at any time during a trip.

Classification

This action responds to the best available information recently obtained from the fishery. The Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA (AA), finds good cause to waive the requirement to provide prior notice and opportunity for public comment pursuant to the authority set forth at 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B) as such requirement is impracticable and contrary to the public interest. This requirement is impracticable and contrary to the public interest as it would prevent NMFS from responding to the most recent fisheries data in a timely fashion and would delay the sideboard directed fishing closure of Pacific cod apportioned to non-AFA crab vessels catching Pacific cod for processing by the inshore component in the Central Regulatory Area of the GOA. NMFS was unable to publish a notice providing time for public comment because the most recent, relevant data only became available as of October 10, 2007.

The AA also finds good cause to waive the 30-day delay in the effective date of this action under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3). This finding is based upon the reasons provided above for waiver of prior notice and opportunity for public comment.

This action is required by § 680.22 and is exempt from review under Executive Order 12866.

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

Dated: October 10, 2007.

Emily H. Menashes

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 07–5100 Filed 10–11–07; 1:40 pm] BILLING CODE 3510–22–S