

meeting. Other business will be discussed if time allows.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**RIN: 0648-XE72**

#### New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a one-day Council meeting, on January 24, 2008, to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Thursday, January 24, 2008, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Sheraton Ferncroft Hotel, 50 Ferncroft Road, Danvers, MA 01923; telephone: (978) 777-2500.

*Council address:* New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

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

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Thursday, January 24, 2008

Following introductions and any announcements the Council will review, discuss and define allocation alternatives for inclusion in Amendment 16 to the Northeast Multispecies (Groundfish) Fishery Management Plan. If time allows, other sector-related issues may be addressed.

Although other non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided that the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings and Hearings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of reports; public meetings, and hearings.

**SUMMARY:** The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) has begun its annual preseason management process for the 2008 ocean salmon fisheries. This document announces the availability of Council documents as well as the dates and locations of meetings and public hearings comprising a portion of the Council's schedule of events for determining the annual proposed and final modifications to ocean salmon fishery management measures. The dates and agendas for the March and April 2008 Council meetings, which are another component of the process, will be published in subsequent **Federal Register** documents prior to the actual meetings.

**DATES:** Written comments on the salmon management options must be received by April 1, 2008, at 4:30 p.m. Pacific Time.

**ADDRESSES:** Documents will be available from, and written comments should be sent to, Mr. Donald Hansen, Chairman, Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220-1384, telephone: (503) 820-2280 (voice) or (503) 820-2299 (fax). Comments can also be submitted via e-mail at:

*PFMC.comments@noaa.gov* or through the internet at the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments, and include the I.D. number in the subject line of the message.

For specific meeting and hearing locations, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

*Council address:* Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Chuck Tracy, telephone: (503) 820-2280.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Schedule for Document Completion and Availability

*February 28, 2008:* "Review of 2007 Ocean Salmon Fisheries" and "Preseason Report I-Stock Abundance Analysis for 2008 Ocean Salmon Fisheries" will be available to the public from the Council office and posted on the Council website at <http://www.pcouncil.org>.

*March 24, 2008:* "Preseason Report II-Analysis of Proposed Regulatory Options for 2008 Ocean Salmon Fisheries" and public hearing schedule will be mailed to the public and posted on the Council website at <http://www.pcouncil.org>. The report will include a description of the adopted salmon management options and a summary of their biological and economic impacts.

*April 25, 2008:* "Preseason Report III-Analysis of Council-Adopted Ocean Salmon Management Measures for 2008 Ocean Salmon Fisheries" will be available from the Council office and posted on the Council website at <http://www.pcouncil.org>.

*May 1, 2008:* Federal regulations for 2008 ocean salmon regulations will be published in the **Federal Register** and implemented.

#### Meetings and Hearings

*January 22-25, 2008:* The Salmon Technical Team (STT) will meet at the Council office in a public work session to draft "Review of 2007 Ocean Salmon Fisheries" and to consider any other estimation or methodology issues pertinent to the 2008 ocean salmon fisheries.