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MARINE PROTECTED AREAS FEDERAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO MEET

The Marine Protected Areas Federal Advisory Committee (MPAFAC), managed jointly by the U.S. Department of Commerce and the U.S. Department of the Interior, will hold its third meeting April 6-8 in Key Largo, Fla. The meeting agenda will be available on the MPA Web site: <http://mpa.gov/fac/fac.html>. The committee is also scheduled to visit the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary.

Additional information for participants can be obtained by contacting NOAA's Charles Wahle, acting designated federal official, MPAFAC, National Marine Protected Areas Center at 831-242-2052 or charles.wahle@noaa.gov.

WHAT: Third meeting of the Marine Protected Areas Federal Advisory Committee. Attendance is open to any interested individuals, but advanced registration is required. Two public comment periods are scheduled on Tuesday, April 6, from 3:15-5:00 p.m., and on Thursday, April 8, from 8:10-8:45 a.m.

WHEN: Tuesday, April 6, 2004 Thursday, April 8, 2004.
8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday; 8:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.
on Wednesday and Thursday.

WHERE: Holiday Inn Resort and Marina, 99701 Overseas Highway, Key Largo, Fla.

WHO: Richard Spinrad, assistant administrator for NOAA's National Ocean Service; Mary M. Glackin, NOAA's assistant administrator for program planning and integration; Patty Morrison, Department of the Interior deputy assistant secretary for land and minerals management; 30 members of the FAC and 10 representatives of other federal agencies.

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