(3) Additional information concerning the range, distribution, and population size of these species; and

(4) Current or planned activities in the subject area and their possible impacts

on these species.

The final decision on this proposal will take into consideration the comments and any additional information received by the Service, and such communications may lead to a final regulation that differs from this proposal.

The Act provides for a public hearing on this proposal, if requested. Requests must be received within 45 days of the date of publication of the proposal in the Federal Register. Such requests must be made in writing and addressed to the Field Supervisor of the Carlsbad Field Office (see ADDRESSES section).

## National Environmental Policy Act

The Fish and Wildlife Service has determined that Environmental Assessments and Environmental Impact Statements, as defined under the authority of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969, need not be prepared in connection with regulations adopted pursuant to section 4(a) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended. A notice outlining the Service's reasons for this determination was published in the Federal Register on October 25, 1983 (48 FR 49244).

#### References Cited

A complete list of all references cited herein is available upon request from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Carlsbad Field Office (see ADDRESSES above).

### Author

This proposed rule was prepared by the staff of the Carlsbad Field Office (see ADDRESSES section).

List of Subjects in 50 CFR Part 17

Endangered and threatened species, Exports, Imports, Reporting and

recordkeeping requirements, Transportation.

**Proposed Regulation Promulgation** 

Accordingly, the Service hereby proposes to amend part 17, subchapter B of chapter I, title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as set forth below:

#### PART 17—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for part 17 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1361–1407; 16 U.S.C. 1531–1544; 16 U.S.C. 4201–4245; Pub. L. 99–625, 100 Stat. 3500, unless otherwise noted.

2. Section 17.12(h) is amended by adding the following, in alphabetical order under FLOWERING PLANTS, to the List of Endangered and Threatened Plants, to read as follows:

#### § 17.12 Endangered and threatened plants.

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(h) \* \* \*

| Species                    |                     | Lliotorio rongo     | Family        | Ctotus | When list- | Critical | Special |
|----------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------|--------|------------|----------|---------|
| Scientific name            | Common name         | Historic range      | Family        | Status | ed         | habitat  | rules   |
| *                          | *                   | * *                 | *             |        | *          |          | *       |
| Flowering Plants           |                     |                     |               |        |            |          |         |
| *                          | *                   | * *                 | *             |        | *          |          | *       |
| Berberis nevinii           | Nevin's barberry    | U.S.A. (CA)         | Berberidaceae | E      |            | NA       | NA      |
| *                          | *                   | * *                 | *             |        | *          |          | *       |
| Ceanothus ophiochilus      | Vail Lake ceanothus | U.S.A. (CA)         | Rhamnaceae    | Т      |            | NA       | NA      |
| *                          | *                   | * *                 | *             |        | *          |          | *       |
| Fremontodendron mexicanum. | Mexican flannelbush | U.S.A. (CA), Mexico | Sterculiaceae | E      |            | NA       | NA      |
| *                          | *                   | * *                 | *             |        | *          |          | *       |
| Nolina interrata           | Dehesa beargrass    | U.S.A. (CA), Mexico | Liliaceae     | Т      |            | NA       | NA      |
| *                          | *                   | * *                 | *             |        | *          |          | *       |

Dated: September 20, 1995.

John G. Rogers,

Acting Director, Fish and Wildlife Service. [FR Doc. 95–24333 Filed 9–29–95; 8:45 am]

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# **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 676

[I.D. 092695B]

Limited Access Management of Federal Fisheries In and Off of Alaska; Amendments

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce. **ACTION:** Notice of availability of amendments to fishery management plans; request for comments.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces that the North Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) has submitted Amendment 32 to the Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for the Groundfish Fishery of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Area (BSAI) and Amendment 36 to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska (GOA). These amendments are necessary to facilitate full utilization of the allocated resources managed under the Individual Fishing Quota (IFQ) Program for the Pacific

halibut and sablefish fixed gear fisheries in and off of Alaska. This proposed action is intended to achieve full utilization by relieving transfer restrictions on Community **Development Quota compensation** quota shares (CDQ compensation QS), thereby allowing transfers to persons who could use the resulting IFQ to harvest the resource. The Council intends for these proposed amendments to promote management and conservation of IFQ species, and to further the goals and objectives contained in the FMPs that govern their management. Comments are requested from the public.

**DATES:** Comments on the proposed FMP amendments must be received on or before November 27, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Comments on the proposed FMP amendments must be submitted to Ronald J. Berg, Chief, Fisheries Management Division, Alaska Region, NMFS, 709 W. 9th Street, Room 453, Juneau, AK 99801, or P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802; Attention: Lori J. Gravel.

Copies of the proposed amendments and the Regulatory Impact Review (RIR) prepared for the amendments may be obtained from the North Pacific Fishery Management Council, P.O. Box 103136, Anchorage, AK 99510.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** John Lepore, 907–586–7228.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Magnuson Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson Act) requires that each Regional Fishery Management Council submit any fishery management plan or plan amendment it prepares to the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) for review and approval, disapproval, or partial disapproval. The Magnuson Act also requires that the Secretary, upon reviewing the plan or amendment, immediately publish an announcement that the plan or amendment is available for public review and comment.

Amendments 32 and 36 are intended to increase the remunerative value of CDQ compensation QS by reducing the transfer restrictions that would be faced by initial recipients of those shares

under the existing regulations. CDQ compensation QS were issued to individuals that received reductions in the amount of Pacific halibut and sablefish available for harvest with IFQ in CDQ areas. Transfer restrictions are reduced by (1) exempting some CDQ compensation QS from the block provision and (2) allowing some CDQ compensation QS to be transferred across vessel categories.

The Secretary will consider the public comments received during the comment period in determining whether to approve the proposed amendments. The proposed regulations are scheduled to be published within 15 days of receipt of the proposed amendments from the Council.

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

Dated: September 26, 1995.

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Acting Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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