

preliminary determination. See section 351.216(e) of the Department's regulations.

If final revocation occurs, we will instruct the U.S. Customs Service to end the suspension of liquidation and to refund, with interest, any estimated antidumping duties collected for all unliquidated entries of glass-lined seamless pressure pipe from Brazil. The current requirement for a cash deposit of estimated antidumping duties on all subject merchandise will continue unless and until it is modified pursuant to the final results of this changed circumstances review.

This initiation of review and notice are in accordance with sections 751(b) of the Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1675(b)), and 19 CFR 351.216, 351.221, and 351.222 (62 FR 27396, 27398-9, May 19, 1997).

Dated: May 18, 1998.

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Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Endangered and Threatened Wildlife; Recovery Plans for Listed Sea Turtles

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

ACTION: Notice of availability.

SUMMARY: NMFS and the Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), Department of the Interior, (collectively, the Services) announce the availability of the final recovery plans for U.S. Pacific populations of endangered and threatened sea turtles, as required by the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (ESA).

DATES: May 22, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Requests for copies of the recovery plans may be submitted to the Chief, Endangered Species Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Copies may be purchased from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Reference Service, 5430 Grosvenor Lane, Suite 110, Bethesda, MD 20814, 1-800-582-3421. Electronic copies in .pdf format are also available at NMFS' Protected Resources internet website (www.nmfs.gov/prot_res/).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Barbara Schroeder, Office of Protected

Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, Phone: 301-713-1401, or Sandy MacPherson, FWS, 6620 Southpoint Dr. South, Jacksonville, FL 32216, Phone: 904-232-2580.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

The ESA is administered jointly by the Services. NMFS has jurisdiction over most species in the marine system while FWS has jurisdiction elsewhere. Listed endangered and threatened species under NMFS jurisdiction are enumerated in 50 CFR 222.23(a) and 50 CFR 227.4, respectively. The List of Endangered and Threatened Wildlife, which contains species under the jurisdiction of both Services, is found in 50 CFR 17.11(h).

Pursuant to a Memorandum of Agreement between the two Services, the jurisdiction over listed sea turtles is shared: FWS has responsibility for sea turtles primarily in the terrestrial environment, while NMFS has responsibility for sea turtles primarily in the marine environment. Presently, all sea turtle species found in the United States are listed as follows: Kemp's ridley (*Lepidochelys kempii*), leatherback (*Dermochelys coriacea*), and hawksbill (*Eretmochelys imbricata*) are listed as endangered; loggerhead (*Caretta caretta*), green (*Chelonia mydas*), and olive ridley (*Lepidochelys olivacea*) turtles are listed as threatened, except for breeding populations of green turtles in Florida and on the Pacific coast of Mexico, and for breeding populations of olive ridleys on the Pacific coast of Mexico, which are listed as endangered.

Section 4(f)(1) of the ESA requires that the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Commerce develop and implement recovery plans for the conservation and survival of endangered and threatened species listed pursuant to section 4(c) of the ESA, unless such plans would not promote the conservation of the species. Pursuant to section 4(f)(4) of the ESA, prior to final approval and implementation of a new or revised recovery plan, the Secretary shall provide public notice and an opportunity for public review and comment. The Services published a notice of availability of the draft recovery plans in the **Federal Register** on March 12, 1996 (61 FR 9978). No comments were received during the 60-day comment period.

The recovery plans are for the U.S. Pacific populations of the loggerhead, olive ridley, leatherback, hawksbill, green turtle and the East Pacific population of the green turtle. These are

the first comprehensive recovery plans for sea turtle populations in the U.S. Pacific. To accomplish the drafting of the recovery plans, a team was formed consisting of professional biologists with experience in the region and with marine turtles.

While similar in format to previous sea turtle recovery plans for the Atlantic and the Caribbean, the unique nature of the Pacific required some changes to that format. The geographic scope of these plans is much larger than any previously attempted, with over 5,000 islands and 3,000 miles (4,827 km) of ocean, as well as the mainland United States, to consider. Furthermore, the amount of jurisdictional overlap between nations, commonwealths, territories, and compact-of-free-association-states and the various turtle populations required a broader management perspective than has been attempted previously. Finally, sea turtles have not been studied as intensively in the Pacific as in other U.S. areas, and thus there is a large void in basic biological information. For these reasons, these plans have more extensive text on the general biology of the turtles, so that they might act as a resource to managers seeking a handy reference to the species. The plans are also subdivided into U.S. jurisdictional areas (i.e. the various commonwealths and territories), so that local managers can address issues within their respective regions more easily.

To implement these plans, NMFS will form implementation teams, where needed, consisting of representatives from Federal agencies, states, territories, and commonwealths. The team(s) will produce a plan that identifies solutions for achieving recovery of these populations.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1531-1543 *et seq.*

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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North Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and