dynamic so that the Forest Service can respond rapidly to issues and opportunities identified through discussions with the public, monitoring, broad-scale or local assessments, new laws and policies, etc.

The scale of Forest Service planning would be based on the scale of the topic to be considered rather than Forest Service administrative boundaries. For example, two, three, or twenty national forest might work together to address a certain issue. Issues extending beyond national forest and grassland boundaries would also be addresses, while respecting private property boundaries. Land management plans are based on realistic funding levels so that they do not create expectations that cannot be fulfilled. Plans become a collection of decisions, like a loose-leaf notebook, that stay current and continue to guide decisions rather than a weighty book that gathers dust on the shelf once it is completed.

Theme 4: Collaboration

The theme of collaboration is an especially important aspect of the proposed rule, and we would like some specific advice from you on this subject. Collaboration means actively engaging the public, interested organizations, and federal, tribal, state and local governments in solving problems that affect national forests and grasslands.

Under the proposed rule, the Forest Service would: (1) Actively engage its partners in Forest Service activities; (2) convene, facilitate, and participate in efforts aimed at solving problems, defining future goals and opportunities, and addressing issues that affect national forests and grasslands; (3) partner with other governments, agencies, companies, and individuals to address issues that are common across a shared landscape; and (4) make future planning processes transparent.

We know that your time and energy are valuable, and given that government entities like the Forest Service have specific duties and responsibilities they must fulfill. The Forest Service, for example cannot give up its final decisionmaking authority. Given this information, what are some general guidelines the Forest Service should follow in working with others in addressing natural resources issues? What are some things the Forest Service can do to best take advantage of your expertise and the skills of other people interested in the future of our national forests and grasslands?

Dated: December 7, 1999.

Hilda Diaz-Soltero,

Associate Chief for Natural Resources.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 52

[CA–217–0204–EC; FRL –6505–6]

Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision, San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District; Reopening of Comment Period

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule; reopening of the comment period.

SUMMARY: EPA is reopening the comment period for a proposed rule published October 28, 1999 (64 FR 58008). On October 28, 1999, EPA proposed a limited approval and limited disapproval of revisions to the California State Implementation Plan for the San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District (SJVUAPCD). This revision concerns SJVUAPCD Rule 4354 which controls oxides of nitrogen (NO_X) emissions from glass melting furnaces. In response to a request from the California Environmental Associates, EPA is reopoening the comment period for 30 days.

DATES: The comment period is reopened until December 29, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be submitted to: Andrew Steckel, Rulemaking Office (AIR–4), Air Division, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105–3901.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Karen Irwin at (415) 744–1903.

Dated: December 1, 1999.

Alexis Strauss,

Acting Regional Administrator, Region IX.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 226

[Docket No.991116305–9305–01; I.D. No.110599D]

RIN 0648–AL82

Designated Critical Habitat: Re-Proposed Critical Habitat for Johnson's Seagrass

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

ACTION: Proposed rule; notice of hearing; request for comments; correction.

SUMMARY: In the proposed rule on designating critical habitat for Johnson's seagrass, published on December 2, 1999, the Figures beginning on page 67542 did not have complete latitude and longitude designations. This document corrects the proposed rule.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on this proposed designation of critical habitat should be addressed to the Mr. Charles Oravetz, Assistant Regional Administrator, Protected Resources Division, NMFS, Southeast Regional Office, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33702–2432. Comments may be sent via facsimile (fax) to 727–570–5517. Comments will not be accepted if submitted via e-mail or Internet. A public hearing on this proposal will be held at the South Florida Water Management District auditorium, 3301 Gun Club Road, West Palm Beach, Florida, 33416–4680 (see **DATES**).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Layne Bolen, Southeast Region, Protected Resources Division, NMFS, 727–570–5312, layne.bolen@noaa.gov or Marta Nammack, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 301–713–1401, marta.nammack@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Need for Correction

In the December 2, 1999 issue of the **Federal Register**, in proposed rule FR Doc. 99–31304, (64 FR 67536), the figures on pages 67542 (Figure 1), 67543 (Figure 2), 67544 (Figure 3), 67545 (Figure 4), 67546 (Figure 5), 67547 (Figure 6), 67549 (Figure 8) and 67550 (Figure 9) had incomplete latitude and longitude designations. This document corrects the latitude and longitude designations as follows:

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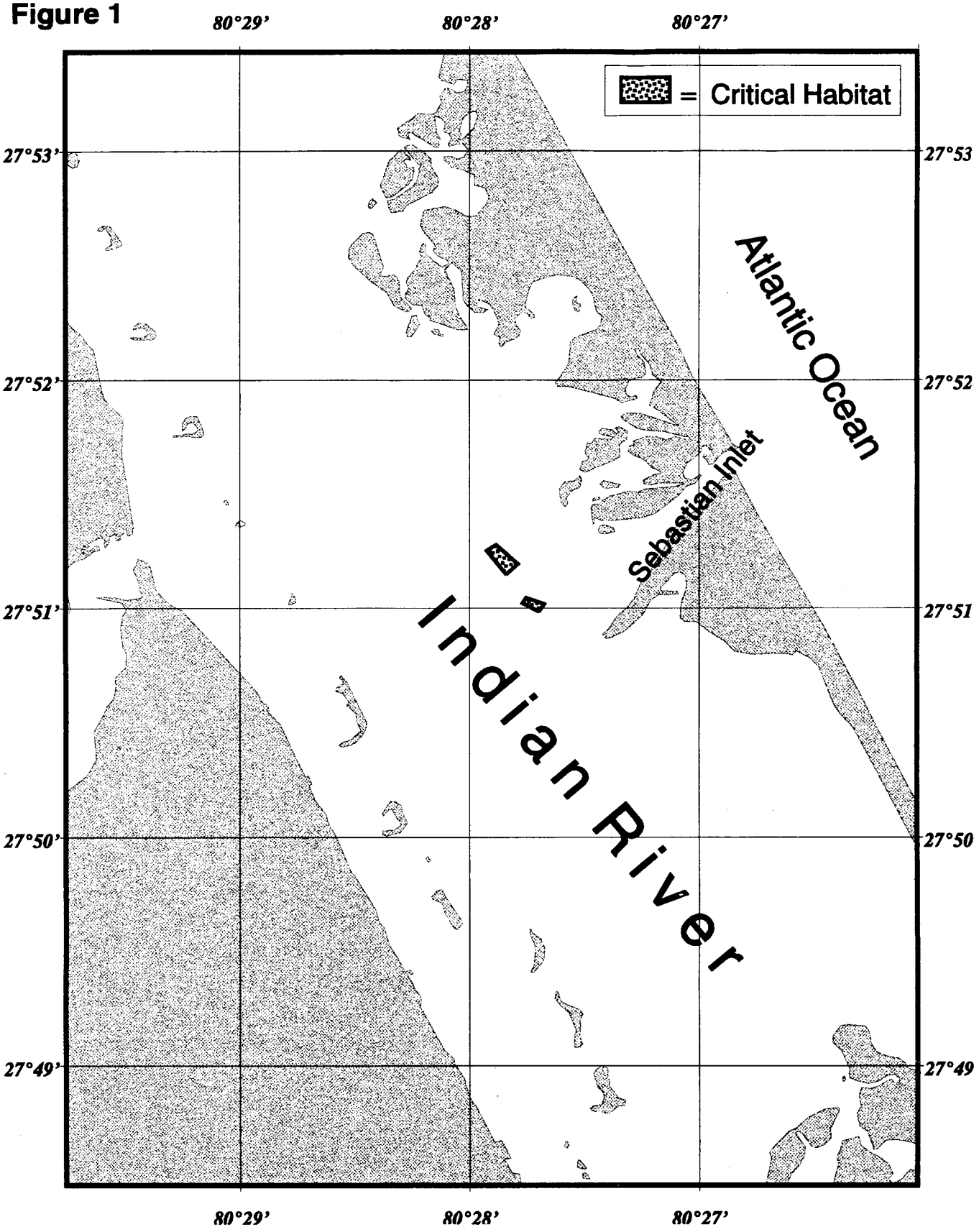
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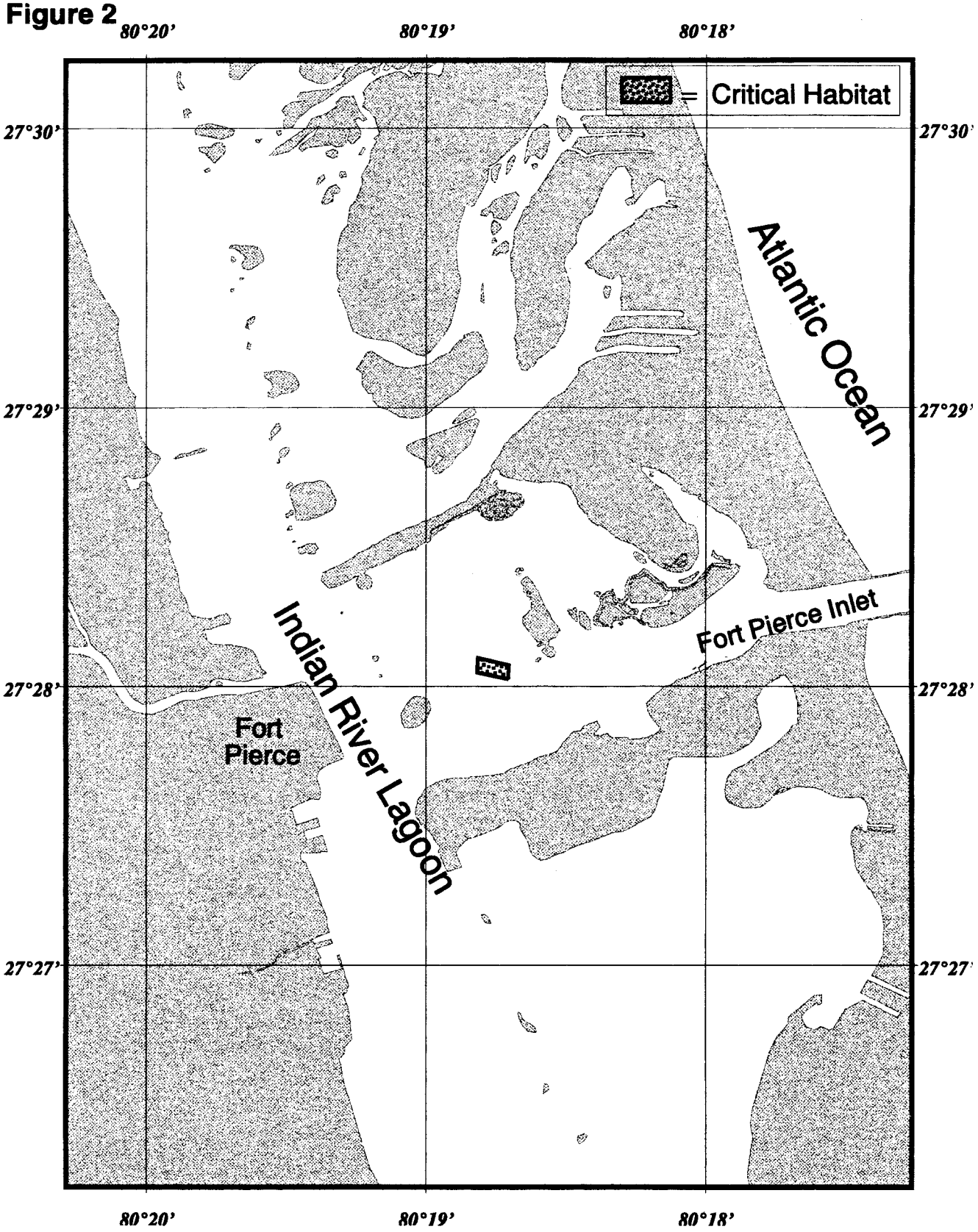
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Fort Pierce

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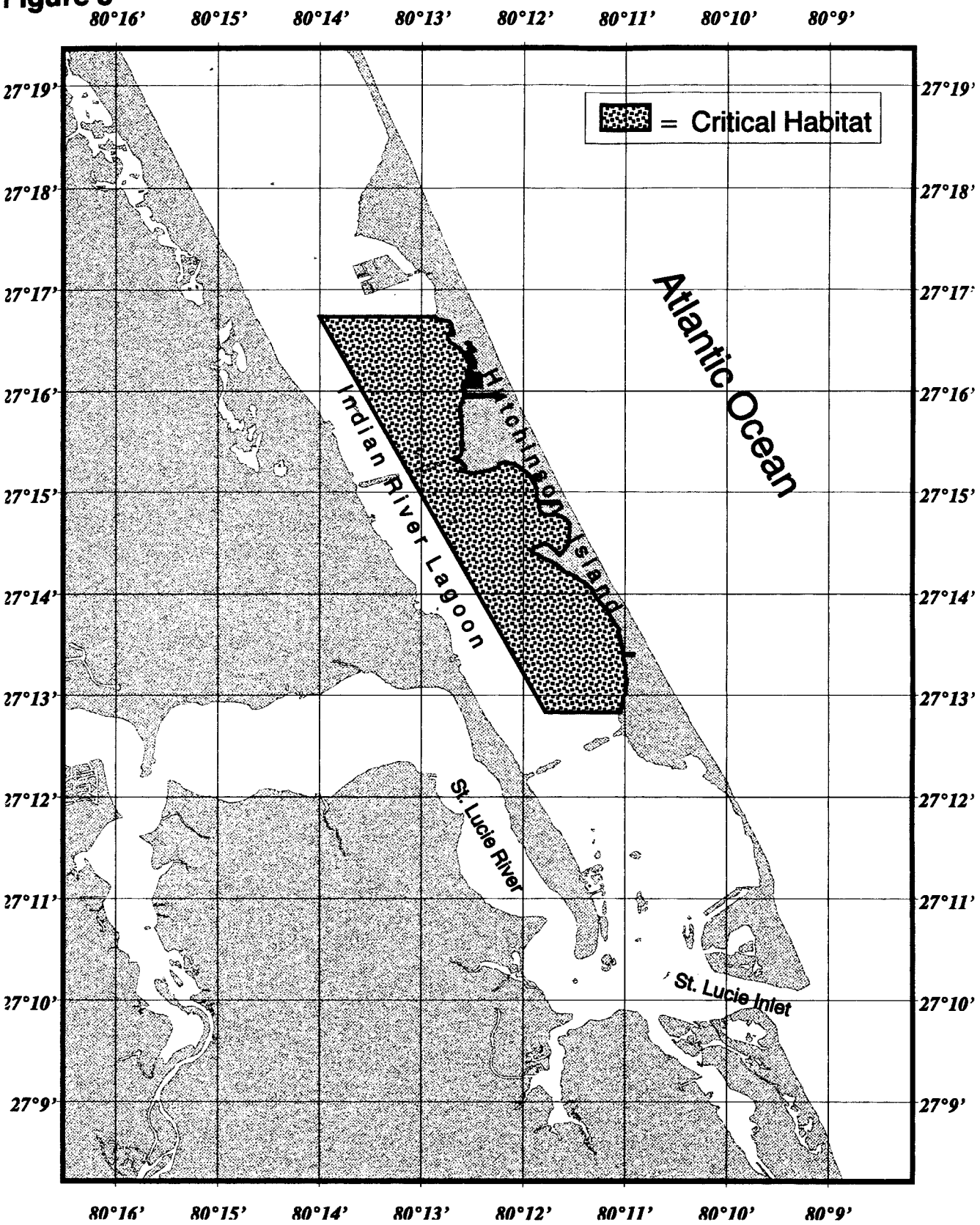
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St. Lucie River
St. Lucie Inlet

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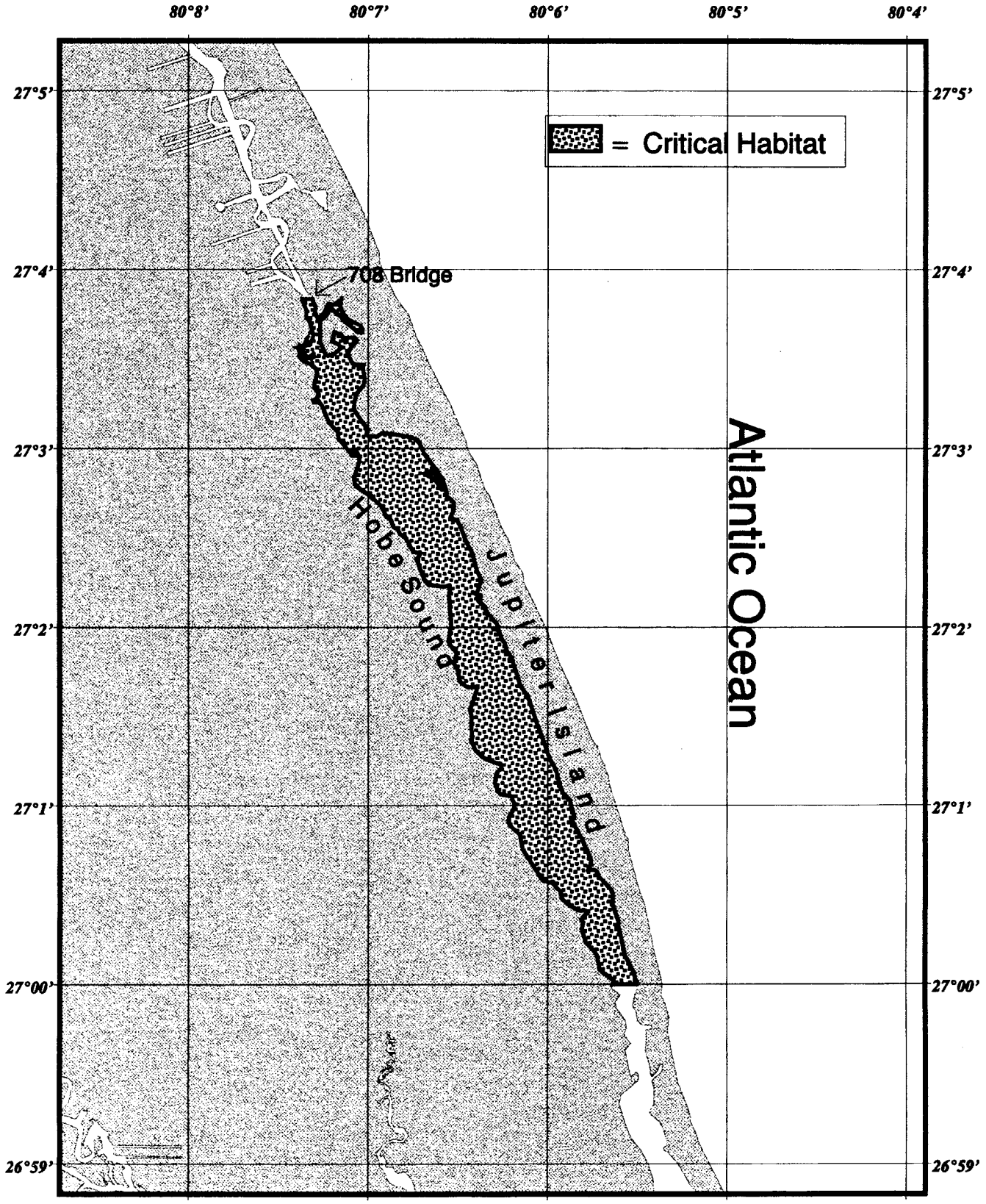
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Jupiter Island
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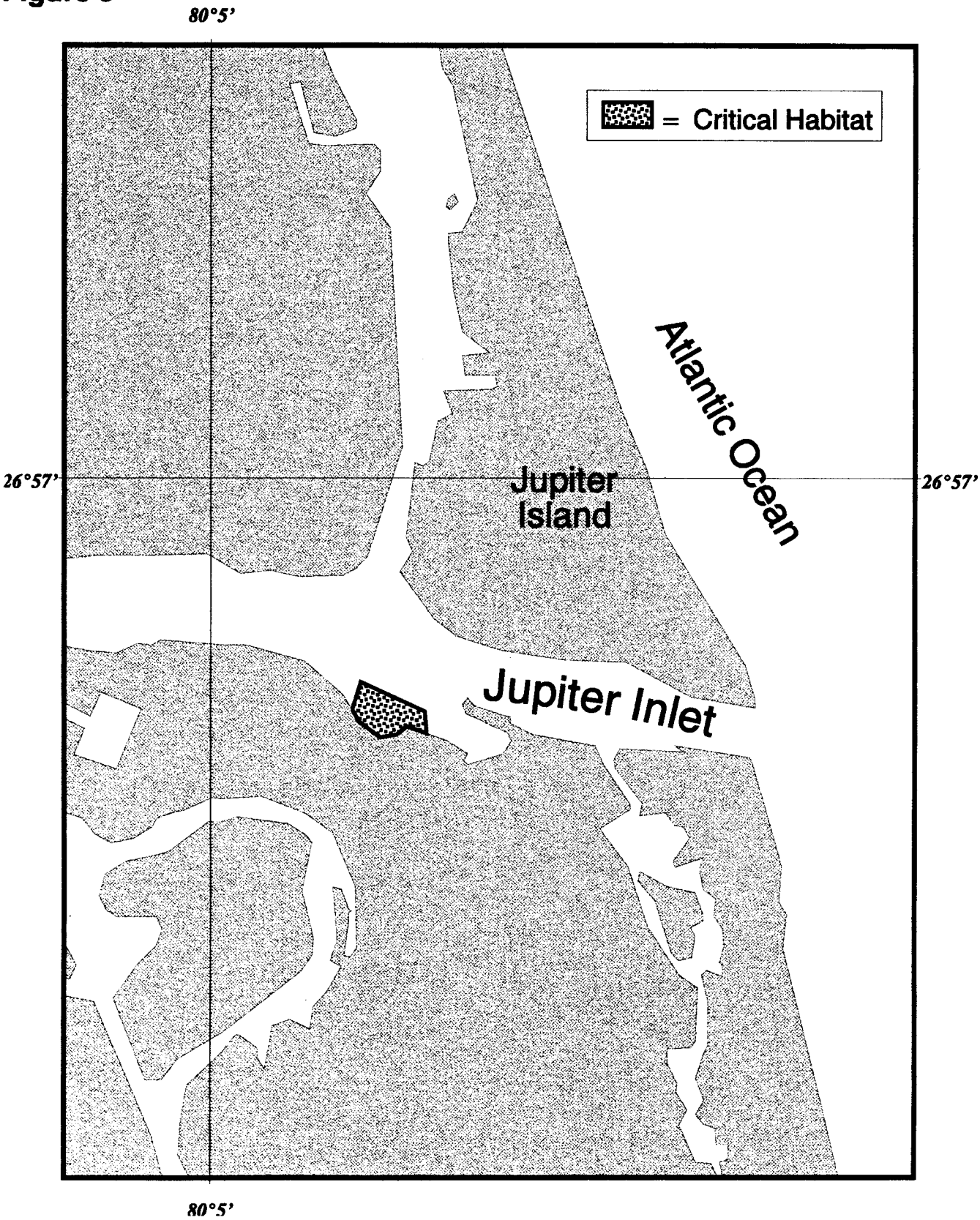
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80°5'

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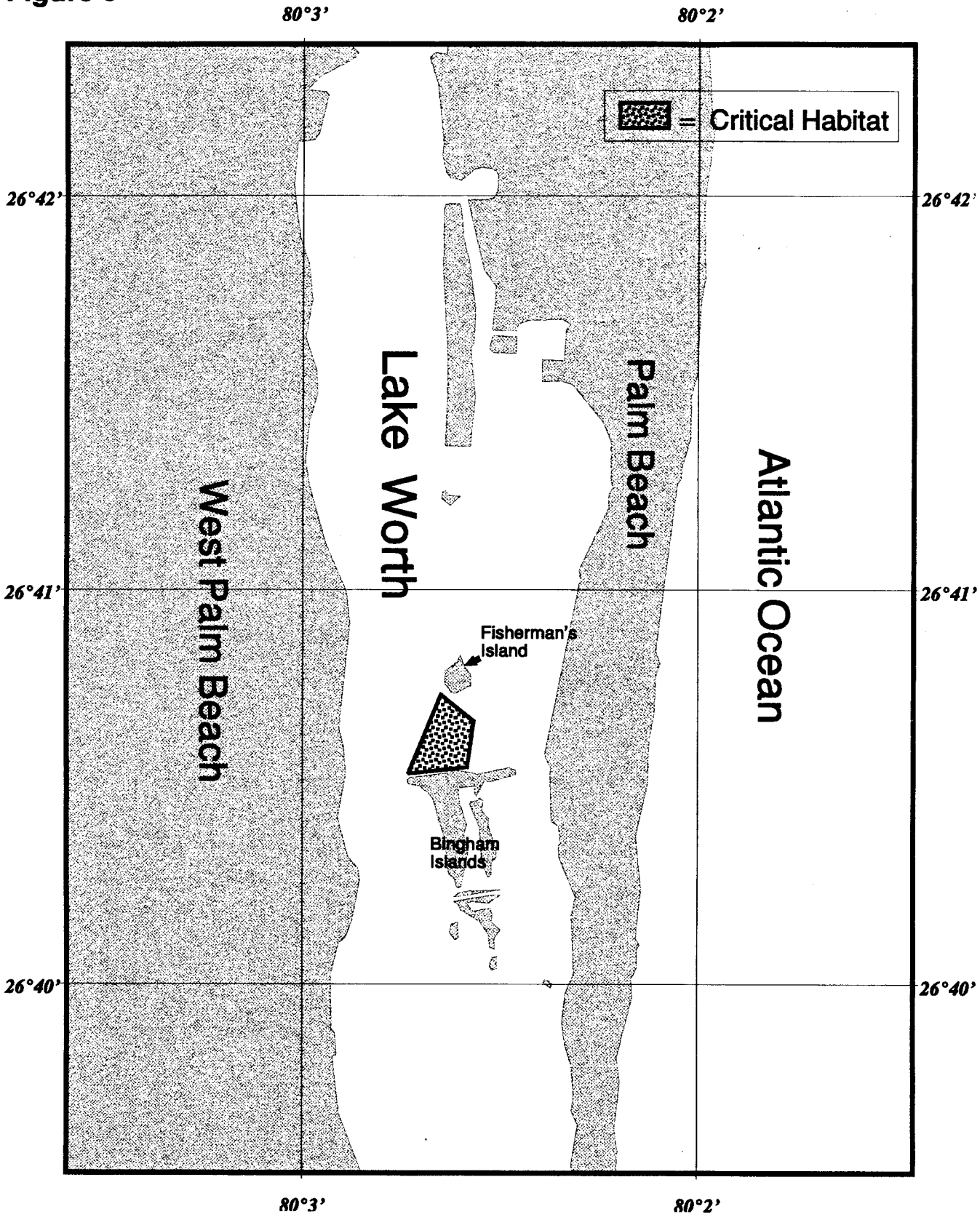
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Bingham Islands

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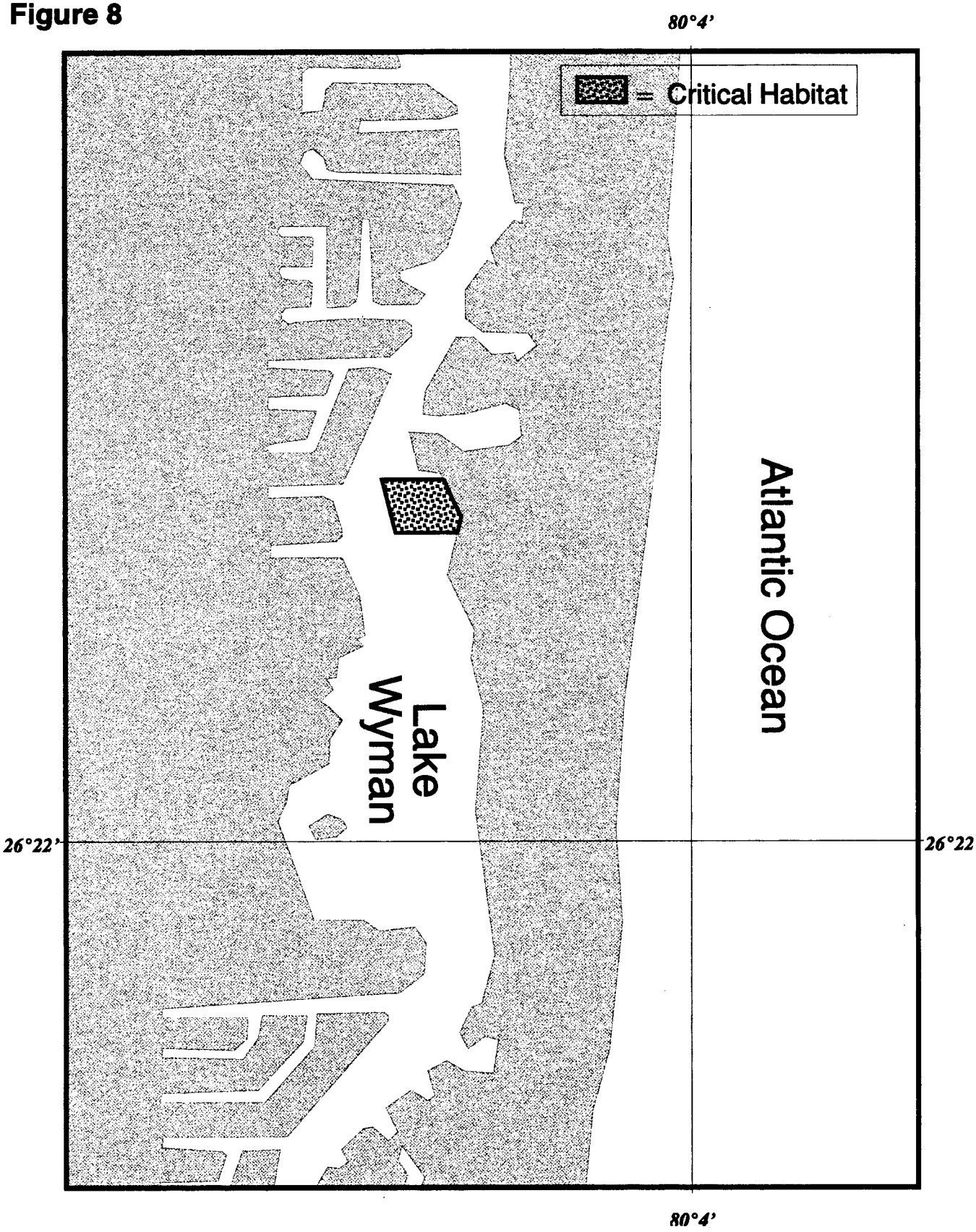
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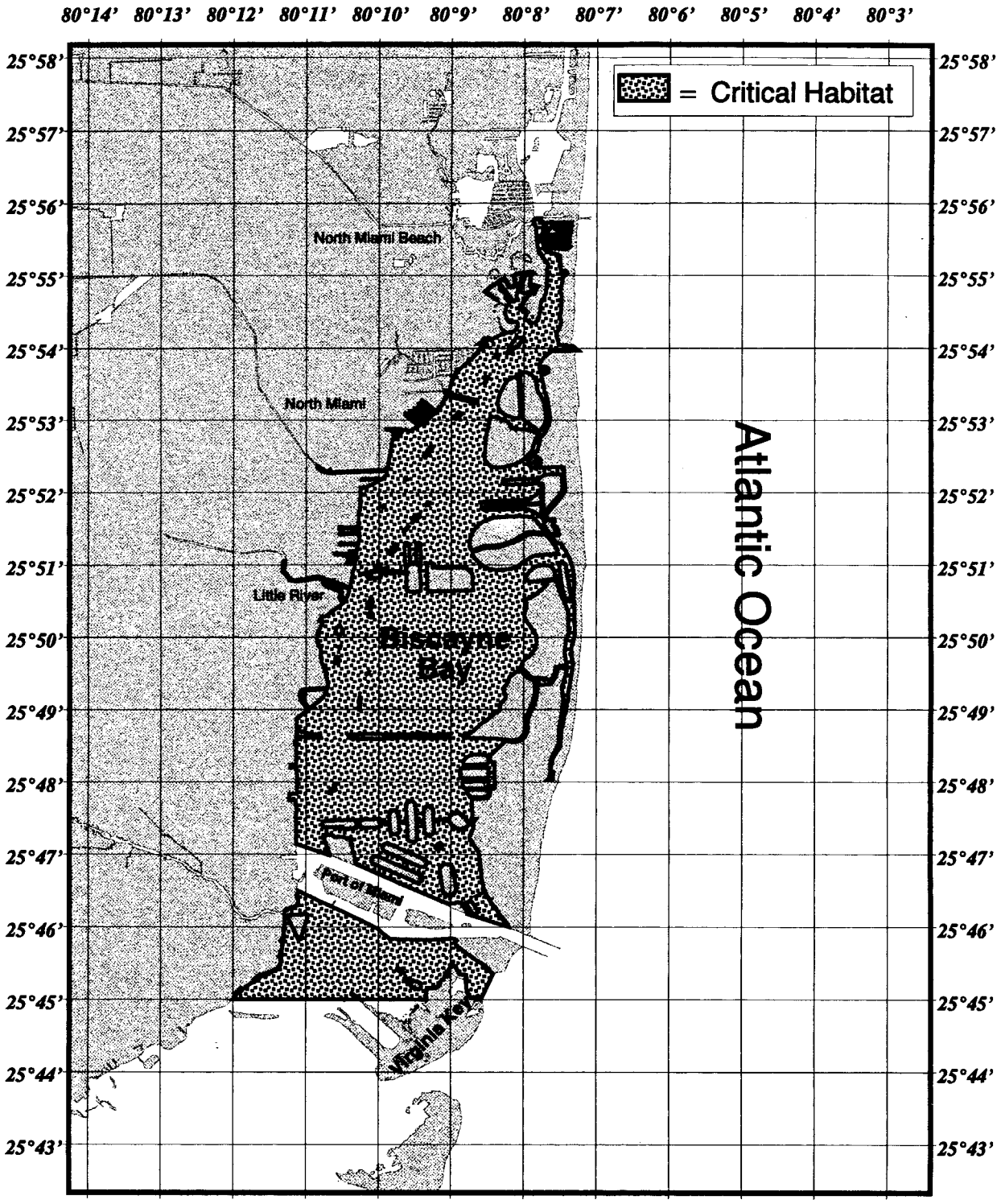
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North Miami Beach
North Miami
Little River
Biscayne Bay
Port of Miami
Virginia Key
Atlantic Ocean

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1553.

Dated: December 7, 1999.

Andrew A. Rosenberg,

Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 679

[Docket No. 991207321–9321–01; I.D. 111899A]

Groundfish Fishery of the Gulf of Alaska; Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone; Gulf of Alaska; Proposed 2000 Harvest Specifications for Groundfish

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

ACTION: Proposed 2000 specifications for groundfish and associated management measures; request for comments.

SUMMARY: NMFS proposes 2000 harvest specifications, reserves, and apportionments for groundfish; Pacific halibut prohibited species catch (PSC) limits; and assumed mortality rates for the groundfish fishery of the Gulf of Alaska (GOA). This action is necessary to establish harvest specifications for GOA groundfish for the 2000 fishing year. The intended effect of this action is to conserve and manage the groundfish resources of the GOA and to provide an opportunity for public participation in the annual groundfish specification process.

DATES: Comments must be received by January 12, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be sent to Sue Salveson, Assistant Regional Administrator, Sustainable Fisheries Division, Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802–1668, Attn: Lori Gravel. Comments also may be sent via facsimile (fax) to 907–586–7465. Comments will not be accepted if submitted via e-mail or Internet. Courier or hand delivery of comments may be made to NMFS in the Federal Building, Room 453, 709 West 9th Street, Juneau, AK 99801.

Copies of the Draft Environmental Assessment/Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis (EA/IRFA) prepared for this action and the Preliminary 2000 Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation (SAFE) Report, dated September 1999, are available from the North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 West 4th Ave., Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501–2252 (907–271–2809).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas Pearson, 907–481–1780, fax 907–481–1781, or tom.pearson@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background for the 2000 Proposed Specifications

Federal regulations at 50 CFR part 679 implement the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska (FMP) and govern the groundfish fisheries in the GOA. The North Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) prepared the FMP, and NMFS approved it under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. General regulations that also pertain to the U.S. fisheries appear at 50 CFR part 600.

The FMP and implementing regulations require NMFS, after consultation with the Council, to specify annually the total allowable catch (TAC) for each target species and for the ''other species'' category, the sum of which must be within the optimum yield range of 116,000 to 800,000 metric tons (mt) (§ 679.20 (a)(1)(ii)). Regulations under § 679.20(c)(1) further require NMFS to publish annually, and solicit public comment on, proposed annual TACs, halibut PSC amounts, seasonal allowances of pollock, and inshore/offshore Pacific cod. The proposed specifications set forth in tables 1 to 6 of this document satisfy these requirements. For 2000, the sum of the proposed TAC amounts is 306,535 mt. Under 679.20(c)(3), NMFS will publish the final specifications for 2000 after: (1) considering comments received within the comment period (see **DATES**); and (2) consulting with the Council.

Regulations at § 679.20(c)(2)(i) provide that interim specifications become effective 0001 hours, Alaska local time (A.l.t.) January 1 and remain in effect until superseded by the final harvest specifications. The regulations provide that the interim specifications will be established as one-fourth of each proposed TAC and apportionment thereof (not including the reserves and the first seasonal allowance of pollock), one-fourth of the proposed halibut PSC amounts, and the proposed first seasonal allowance of pollock. NMFS will publish interim specifications for the 2000 fishing year in a separate **Federal Register** document. No fishing is authorized before NMFS files interim specifications with the Office of the Federal Register.

Proposed Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC) and TAC Specifications

The proposed ABC and TAC for each species are based on the best available biological and socioeconomic information, including projected biomass trends, information on assumed distribution of stock biomass, and revised technical methods used to calculate stock biomass. This information was compiled by the Council's GOA Plan Team and is presented in the preliminary 2000 SAFE report for the GOA groundfish fisheries, dated September 1999. The Plan Team annually produces such a document as the first step in the process of specifying TACs. The SAFE report contains a review of the latest scientific analyses and estimates of each species' biomass and other biological parameters, as well as summaries of the available information on the GOA ecosystem and the economic condition of the groundfish fisheries off Alaska. From these data and analyses, the Plan Team estimates an ABC for each species category.

The GOA Plan Team acknowledged that for purposes of the proposed 2000 overfishing levels and ABC amounts, the best information currently available is set forth in the final SAFE report for the 1999 GOA groundfish fisheries dated November 1998. The Plan Team further acknowledged that information on the status of stocks will be updated with the 1999 survey results and reconsidered by the Plan Team at its November 1999 meeting and will be included in the final 2000 SAFE report.

In October 1999, the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC), Advisory Panel (AP), and Council reviewed the Plan Team's preliminary recommendations to roll over 1999 ABC, overfishing, and TAC amounts, and to reconsider these amounts at the December 1999 Council meeting after new status of stocks information has been incorporated by the Plan Team into a final SAFE report. The SSC, AP, and Council concurred with the Plan Team's recommendations. However, the Plan Team's recommendation to roll over the 1999 groundfish harvest specifications for this action did not take into account the overfishing definitions approved in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands FMP and GOA FMP Amendments 56/56. Those overfishing definitions were used in August 1999 to reanalyze the status of the groundfish stocks in the BSAI and GOA. That analysis is presented in the draft EA prepared for this action. The