

snapper management issues and develop recommendations.

3:00 p.m.- 4:30 p.m.—Convene the Migratory Species Management Committee to consider a NMFS proposal for an area closed to pelagic longline fishing.

All other previously published information remains unchanged.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the agenda may come before these groups for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified 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 the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Anne Alford at the Council (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) by January 10, 2000.

Dated: December 23, 1999.

Bruce C. Morehead,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

[I.D. 110299C]

Marine Mammals; File No. 932-1489-01

AGENCIES: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), Interior.

ACTION: Issuance of permit amendment.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Marine Mammal Health and Stranding and Response Program (MMHSRP), National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, has been issued an amendment to scientific research and enhancement Permit No. 932-1489-01.

ADDRESSES: The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ruth Johnson 301/713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On March 25, 1999, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 14435) that a request for a scientific research and enhancement permit to take all species in the Orders Cetacea, Pinnipedia, Sirena, and polar bear, sea otter and marine otter had been submitted by the above-named organization. The permit was issued July 2, 1999 (64 FR 37933) under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (MMPA; 16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered fish and wildlife (50 CFR parts 217-227), and the Fur Seal Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1151 *et seq.*) to only take species of the Orders Cetacea and Pinnipedia (except walrus). The Permit is amended to include species of Order Sirenia and polar bear, sea and marine otters. The amendment is issued under authority of the above citations and the MMPA (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), applicable regulations (50 CFR part 18), ESA (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and applicable regulations (50 CFR part 17).

Issuance of this permit, as required by the ESA, was based on a finding that such permit (1) was applied for in good faith, (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which is the subject of this permit, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Documents may be reviewed in the following locations:

Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

Alaska Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802-1668 (907/586-7221);

Northeast Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930-9250 (978/281-9250);

Northwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 7600 Sand Point Way, NE, BIN C15700, bldg. 1, Seattle, WA 98115-0070;

Southeast Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 9721

Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, FL 33702-2432 (727/570-5301);

Southwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 501 west Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (562/980-4001);

Coordinator, Pacific Area Office, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA 2570 Dole Street, Room 106, Honolulu, HI 96822-2396 (808/943-1221);

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203 (1-800-358-2104);

Field Supervisor, Jacksonville Field Office, 6620 South Point Drive South, Suite 310, Jacksonville, FL 32216-0312 [904-232-2580, Fax: 904-232-2404];

Field Supervisor, Ventura Field Office, 2493 Portola Road, Suite B, Ventura, CA 93003 [805-644-1766, Fax: 805-644-3958]; and

Marine Mammals Management, 1101 E. Tudor Road, Anchorage, AK 99503-6199 [907-786-3800, Fax: 907-786-3816].

Dated: December 20, 1999.

Ann D. Terbush,

Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

Dated: December 20, 1999.

Kristen Nelson,

Acting Chief, Branch of Permits, Office of Management Authority, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 120999G]

National Plan of Action for the Reduction of Incidental Catch of Seabirds in Longline Fisheries

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

ACTION: Notice of availability; schedule change; public meeting; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The United States, through a collaborative effort of NMFS and the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (FWS), announces the availability of a draft National Plan of Action for the Reduction of Incidental Catch of Seabirds in Longline Fisheries (NPOA-Seabirds). The United States, through

NMFS, also announces a schedule change for the NPOA-Seabirds. NMFS will host a public meeting to receive comments from members of the public on the draft NPOA-Seabirds. To accommodate people unable to attend a meeting or wishing to provide written comments, NMFS solicits written comments on the NPOA-Seabirds.

DATES: A public hearing on the NPOA-Seabirds will be held at 3:00 p.m. on January 19, 2000. Submit comments on the NPOA-Seabirds to the appropriate address or fax number by 5:00 p.m. on January 18, 2000.

ADDRESSES: The public meeting will be held at NOAA-NMFS Headquarters, 1315 East-West Highway, SSMC3 Room 14836, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Comments on the NPOA-Seabirds may be sent to David Kerstetter, NOAA-NMFS/SF4, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, or by fax to 301-713-2313. Comments will not be accepted via e-mail or internet.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Kerstetter, 301-713-2276, ext. 107, or fax 301-713-2313.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The United States, through a collaborative effort of NMFS and the FWS, is developing a NPOA-Seabirds pursuant to the endorsement of the International Plan of Action for the Reduction of Incidental Catch of Seabirds in Longline Fisheries by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Committee on Fisheries (COFI) Meeting in February 1999. The United States has committed itself to developing this NPOA-Seabirds and reporting to COFI on its implementation no later than 2001.

A previous **Federal Register** document dated September 8, 1999 (64 FR 48987), provided a tentative time frame for the completion of this project and an outline of the contents of the NPOA-Seabirds. The time frame has been revised as provided here, and the structure of the NPOA-Seabirds, but not the content, has been changed. Public comments received regarding this September 8, 1999, document will be addressed in the notice of availability of the final NPOA-Seabirds.

Time Frame:

NPOA-Seabirds

December 27, 1999: Release draft NPOA-Seabirds for public comment via posting of the document on the NMFS web site (www.nmfs.gov). The document will also be provided in hard copy upon request (see **ADDRESSES**).

January 2000: Public comment period on draft NPOA-Seabirds.

January 19, 2000: Public meeting on NPOA-Seabirds.

February 2000: Release final NPOA-Seabirds via a Federal Register notice of availability and posting on the NMFS web site (www.nmfs.gov). The document will also be provided in hard copy upon request (see **ADDRESSES**).

Special Accommodations

The public meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to David Kerstetter (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) at least 7 days prior to the meeting.

Dated: December 22, 1999.

Gary C. Matlock,

Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Meeting of the DOD Advisory Group on Electron Devices

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Advisory Group on Electron Devices.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Working Group A (Microwave Devices) of the DoD Advisory Group on Electron Devices (AGED) announces a closed session meeting.

DATE: The meeting will be held at 0900, Tuesday, January 18, 2000.

ADDRESS: The meeting will be held at Palisades Institute for Research Services, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 500, Arlington, VA 22202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: David Cox, AGED Secretariat, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Crystal Square Four, Suite 500, Arlington, VA 22202.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The mission of the Advisory Group is to provide advice to the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology, to the Director of Defense Research and Engineering (DDR&E), and through the DDR&E to the Director, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (ARPA) and the Military Departments in planning and managing an effective and economical research and development program in the area of electron devices.

The Working Group A meeting will be limited to review of research and development programs which the Military Departments propose to initiate with industry, universities or in their

laboratories. This microwave device area includes programs on developments and research related to microwave tubes, solid state microwave devices, electronic warfare devices, millimeter wave devices, and passive devices. The review will include details of classified defense programs throughout.

In accordance with section 10(d) of Pub. L. 92-463, as amended, (5 U.S.C. App. sec. 10(d) (1994)), it has been determined that this Advisory Group meeting concerns matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1) (1004), and that accordingly, this meeting will be closed to the public.

Dated: December 22, 1999.

L.M. Bynum,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Change in Meeting Date of the DOD Advisory Group on Electron Devices

AGENCY: Department of Defense, Advisory Group on Electron Devices.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Working Group B (Microelectronics) of the DoD Advisory Group on Electron Devices (AGED) announces a change to a closed session meeting.

DATES: The meeting will be held at 0900, Thursday, January 20, 2000.

ADDRESS: The meeting will be held at Palisades Institute for Research Services, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Suite 500, Arlington, VA 22202.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Elise Rabin, AGED Secretariat, 1745 Jefferson Davis Highway, Crystal Square Four, Suite 500, Arlington, Virginia 22202.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The mission of the Advisory Group is to provide advice to the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Technology, to the Director Defense Research and Engineering (DDR&E), and through the DDR&E to the Director Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency and the Military departments in planning and managing an effective research and development program in the field of electron devices.

The Working Group B meeting will be limited to review of research and development programs which the military proposes to initiate with