the Record of Decision. That decision will be subject to Forest Service Appeal Regulations.

Dated: November 6, 1996.

Robert L. Schrenk, *Forest Supervisor.* 

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# Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

#### Posting of Stockyards

Pursuant to the authority provided under Section 302 of the Packers and Stockyards Act (7 U.S.C. 202), it was ascertained that the livestock markets named below were stockyards as defined by Section 302 (a). Notice was given to the stockyard owners and to the public as required by Section 302 (b), by posting notices at the stockyards on the dates specified below, that the stockyards were subject to the provisions of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, as amended (7 U.S.C. 181 *et seq.*).

	Facility number, name, and location of Stockyard	Date of posting
AL-188	Centre Livestock Market, Inc., Centre, Alabama	November 9, 1995.
FL-136	Florida Classic Horse Sales, Inc., Ocala, Florida	June 30, 1995.
GA-214	Lee's Auction Sylvania, Georgia	July 1, 1995.
GA-215	Calhoun Stockyard Highway 53, Inc., Calhoun, Georgia	October 25, 1995.
GA-217	Rocking Horse Ranch, Livestock Auction, Poulan, Georgia	October 24, 1996.
MS-169	McDermott Sale Company, Byhalia, Mississispi	October 24, 1996.
MO-279	Joplin Regional Stockyards, Inc., Carthage, Missouri	April 4, 1996.
MO-280	Brookfield Sales Company, Brookfield, Missouri	July 26, 1996.
OR-126	Mike's Livestock Auction, Eagle Point, Oregon	January 1. 1996.
PA-158	John Whiting Auction, New Wilmington, Pennsylvania	June 30, 1995.
SC-154	Double H Livestock, Pelzer, South Carolina	June 11, 1996.

Done at Washington, D.C. this 8th day of November 1996.

Daniel L. Van Ackeren,

Director, Livestock Marketing Division, Packers and Stockyards Programs. [FR Doc. 96–29475 Filed 11–15–96; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410–EN–P

#### Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration

#### **Proposed Posting of Stockyard**

The Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, United States Department of Agriculture, has information that the livestock markets named below are stockyards as defined in Section 302 of the Packers and Stockyards Act (7 U.S.C. 202), and should be made subject to the provisions of the Packers and Stockyards Act, 1921, as amended (7 U.S.C. 181 *et seq.*).

- GA–219—Gray Bell Auction Company and Gray Bell Animal Auction, Royston, Georgia
- IN–165—Dinky's, Inc., Montgomery, Indiana
- SC–155—David Stegall Auction Co., Ridgeville, South Carolina
- WY–115—Buffalo Livestock Auction L.L.C., Buffalo, Wyoming.

Pursuant to the authority under Section 302 of the Packers and Stockyards Act, notice is hereby given that it is proposed to designate the stockyards named above as posted stockyards subject to the provisions of said Act.

Any person who wishes to submit written data, views or arguments concerning the proposed designation may do so by filing them with the Director, Livestock Marketing Division, Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration, Room 3408– South Building, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C. 20250 by *November 29, 1996.* All written submissions made pursuant to this notice will be made available for public inspection in the office of the Director of the Livestock Marketing Division during normal business hours.

Done at Washington, D.C. this 8th day of November 1996.

Daniel L. Van Ackeren,

Director, Livestock Marketing Division, Packers and Stockyards Programs. [FR Doc. 96–29474 Filed 11–15–96; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3410–EN–P

#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

#### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

## [I.D. 110896A]

## Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene a public meeting of the Reef Fish Advisory Panel (AP).

**DATES:** This meeting will be held on December 13, 1996, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** This meeting will be held at the Doubletree Guest Suites Hotel, 4400 West Cypress Street, Tampa, FL 33607; telephone: 813–873–8675.

*Council address*: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 5401 West Kennedy Boulevard, Suite 331, Tampa, FL 33609.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven Atran, Population Dynamics Statistician; telephone: 813-228-2815. SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the meeting will be to review stock assessments and biological information for red snapper, vermilion snapper and amberjacks prepared by NMFS. They will also review reports on the status of these stocks and possible recommendations for levels of acceptable biological catch (ABC) from the Council's Reef Fish Stock Assessment Panel, and on the social and economic implications of recommended ABC ranges from the Socioeconomic Panel. Based on this information, the Reef Fish AP may make recommendations for management measures to the Council. The Reef Fish AP will also discuss options being considered for inclusion in Reef Fish Amendment 15 that would restrict the commercial harvest of reef fish on fishing vessels fishing with traps other than permitted fish traps, stone crab traps or spiny lobster traps.

The AP is comprised of fishermen and other user groups who advise the Council on fishery issues.

#### Special Accommodations

This meeting is 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 **ADDRESSES**) by December 6, 1996.

Dated: November 12, 1996.

#### Bruce Morehead,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 96–29468 Filed 11–15–96; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–22–F

### [I.D. 110796E]

#### Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council's Summer Flounder Monitoring Committee and Scup Monitoring Committee will hold a public meeting.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on December 3, 1996. The Summer Flounder Monitoring Committee will meet from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. The Scup Monitoring Committee will meet from 2:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be held at the Days Inn, 4101 Island Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19153; telephone: 215–492–0400.

*Council address*: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 300 S. New Street, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: 302–674–2331.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David R. Keifer, Executive Director; telephone: 302–674–2331.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of each meeting is to recommend the recreational management measures for summer flounder and scup for 1997.

#### Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Joanna Davis at 302–674–2331 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: November 12, 1996.

#### Bruce Morehead,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 96–29467 Filed 11–15–96; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–22–F [I.D. 110196C]

## Marine Mammals; Scientific Research Permit No. 1020

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Drs. James T. Harvey and Jenifer Hurley, Moss Landing Marine Laboratories, P.O. Box 450, Moss Landing, CA 95039– 0450, (co-investigator: Dr. Daniel P. Costa, Long Marine Laboratory, Center for Marine Studies, University of California, Santa Cruz, CA 95064) have been issued a permit to take marine mammals for purposes of scientific research.

**ADDRESSES:** The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713–2289); and

Regional Administrator, Southwest Region, NMFS, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802–4213 (310/980–4001).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August** 16, 1996, notice was published in the Federal Register (61 FR 42593) that a request for a scientific research permit to obtain beached and stranded California sea lions and take large whales by harassment had been submitted by the above-named individuals. The requested permit has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (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, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 et seq.), and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered fish and wildlife (50 CFR 222.23).

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.

Dated: November 4, 1996.

Ann D. Terbush,

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

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#### Marine Mammals; Scientific Research Permit (PHF# PHF000815, AAP# 001312-00)

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

**ACTION:** Receipt of application.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Birgit Winning, Oceanic Society Expeditions, Fort Mason Center, Bldg. E, San Francisco, CA 94123, has applied in due form for a permit to take Hawaiian monk seals (*Monachus schauinslandi*) on Midway Atoll, Hawaii for purposes of scientific research.

**DATES:** Written comments must be received on or before December 16, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713–2289);

Regional Administrator, Southwest Region, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (310/980-4001); and

Protected Species Coordinator, Pacific Area Office, 2570 Dole Street, Room 106, Honolulu, HI 96822–2396 (808/ 973–2987).

Written data or views, or requests for a public hearing on this request, should be submitted to the Director, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this application would be appropriate.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the Federal Register, NMFS is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (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 (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered fish and wildlife (50 CFR part 222.23).

The applicant proposes to conduct the following scientific research activities on Hawaiian monk seals on Midway