

may issue an order suspending all or part of the work until satisfactory corrective action has been taken. The contractor shall not be entitled to any equitable adjustment of the contract price or extension of the performance schedule on any suspension of work order issued under this clause.

(End of clause)

652.237-71 [Amended]

155. Section 652.237-71 is amended by revising the clause date to "(Aug 1999)"; and, in paragraph (c) of the clause by removing the words "Building Pass Application Unit, Room 309, State Annex Number 1, Columbia Plaza., 2401 E Street, NW, Washington, DC" and inserting the words "Building Pass Application Unit, Room B266, Department of State, 2201 C Street, NW, Washington, DC" in their place.

652.237-72 [Amended]

156. Section 652.237-72 is amended by revising the clause date to "(Aug 1999)"; and, in paragraph (a) of the clause by removing the words "Presidents' Day" from the list of designated holidays and inserting the words "Washington's Birthday" in their place.

652.242-70 [Amended]

157. Section 652.242-70 is amended by revising the clause date to "(Aug 1999)"; and by deleting the parenthetical "[insert name of COR]" in paragraph (b) of the clause and inserting the words "[insert job title of COR]" in their place.

158. Section 652.242-71 is amended by revising the introductory text to read as follows:

652.242-71 Notice of shipments.

As prescribed in 642.1406-2-70(a), insert the following clause:

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159. Section 652.242-72 is amended by revising the introductory text to read as follows:

652.242-72 Shipping instructions.

As prescribed in 642.1406-2-70(b), insert the following clause:

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160. Section 652.242-73 is added to read as follows:

652.242-73 Authorization and performance.

As prescribed in 642.271(b), insert a clause substantially the same as follows:

Authorization and Performance (Aug 1999)

(a) The contractor warrants the following:

(1) That it has obtained authorization to operate and do business in the country or countries in which this contract will be performed;

(2) That it has obtained all necessary licenses and permits required to perform this contract; and,

(3) That it shall comply fully with all laws, decrees, labor standards, and regulations of said country or countries during the performance of this contract.

(b) If the party actually performing the work will be a subcontractor or joint venture partner, then such subcontractor or joint venture partner agrees to the requirements of paragraph (a) of this clause.

(End of clause)

Alternate I (Aug 1999). If the contract is for overseas local guard services, as prescribed in 642.271(b), substitute the following paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) for paragraphs (a)(1) and (a)(2) of the basic clause:

"(a)(1) That it has obtained authorization to operate and do business in the country or countries in which this contract will be performed, or will obtain such authorization before performance of this contract begins;

"(a)(2) That it has obtained all necessary licenses and permits required to perform this contract, or will obtain such licenses and permits before performance of this contract begins;"

161. Section 652.243-70 is added to read as follows:

652.243-70 Notices.

As prescribed in 643.104-70, insert the following clause:

Notices (Aug 1999)

Any notice or request relating to this contract given by either party to the other shall be in writing. Said notice or request shall be mailed or delivered by hand to the other party at the address provided in the schedule of the contract. All modifications to the contract must be made in writing by the contracting officer.

(End of clause)

652.246-70 [Removed]

162. Section 652.246-70 is removed.

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653.213-70 [Removed]

163. Section 653.213-70 is removed.

164. Section 653.219 is amended by revising the section heading to read as follows:

653.219 Small business programs.

165. Section 653.219-70 is revised to read as follows:

653.219-70 DOS form DS-1910, Small Business Agency Review—Actions Above the Simplified Acquisition Threshold.

As prescribed in 619.501(c), DS-1910 is prescribed for use in documenting set-aside decisions.

Dated: August 3, 1999.

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Procurement Executive.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 679

[Docket No. 990304062-9062-01; I.D. 080599D]

Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Thornyhead Rockfish in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska

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

ACTION: Closure.

SUMMARY: NMFS is prohibiting retention of thornyhead rockfish in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska (GOA). NMFS is requiring that catch of thornyhead rockfish in this area be treated in the same manner as prohibited species and discarded at sea with a minimum of injury. This action is necessary because the 1999 total allowable catch (TAC) of thornyhead rockfish in this area has been reached.

DATES: Effective 1200 hrs, Alaska local time (A.l.t.), August 6, 1999, until 2400 hrs, A.l.t., December 31, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas Pearson 907-481-1780 or tom.pearson@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NMFS manages the groundfish fishery in the GOA exclusive economic zone according to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska (FMP) prepared by the North Pacific Fishery Management Council under authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Regulations governing fishing by U.S. vessels in accordance with the FMP appear at subpart H of 50 CFR part 600 and 50 CFR part 679.

The amount of the 1999 TAC of thornyhead rockfish in the Western Regulatory Area of the GOA was established as 260 metric tons by the Final 1999 Harvest Specifications of Groundfish for the GOA (64 FR 12094, March 11, 1999). See § 679.20(c)(3)(ii).

In accordance with § 679.20(d)(2), the Administrator, Alaska Region, NMFS, has determined that the amount of the 1999 TAC for thornyhead rockfish in the Western Regulatory Area of the GOA has been reached. Therefore, NMFS is requiring that further catches of thornyhead rockfish in the Western Regulatory Area of the GOA be treated as prohibited species in accordance with § 679.21(b).

Classification

This action responds to the best available information recently obtained from the fishery. It must be implemented immediately to prevent overharvesting the amount of the 1999 TAC for thornyhead rockfish in the Western Regulatory Area of the GOA. A delay in the effective date is impracticable and contrary to the public

interest. The fleet has taken the 1999 TAC for thornyhead rockfish in the Western Regulatory Area of the GOA. Further delay would only result in overharvest. NMFS finds for good cause that the implementation of this action cannot be delayed for 30 days. Accordingly, under 5 U.S.C. 553(d), a delay in the effective date is hereby waived.

This action is required by § 679.20 and is exempt from review under E.O. 12866.

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

Dated: August 6, 1999.

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National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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