

The United States, through NMFS, also announces a public meeting to receive comments from members of the public on the draft IPOA-IUU. To accommodate individuals unable to attend a meeting or wishing, alternatively or in addition, to provide written comments, NMFS solicits written comments on the draft IPOA-IUU.

**DATES:** A public meeting on the draft IPOA-IUU will be held at 3 p.m. on Thursday, August 3, 2000. Submit comments on the IPOA-IUU to the appropriate address or fax number by 5 p.m., August 1, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** The public meeting will be held at NOAA-NMFS Headquarters, 1315 East-West Highway, SSMC, Room 12836, Silver Spring, MD, 20910. Comments on the draft IPOA-IUU may be sent to Robin Tuttle, NOAA-NMFS, Office of Science and Technology, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, or by fax to 301-713-4057. Comments will not be accepted via e-mail or Internet.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robin Tuttle, 301-713-2282, extension 199, or fax 301-713-4057.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The United States, through a collaborative effort of NMFS, the Department of State, the Office of the United States Trade Representative, the Coast Guard, and the United States Customs Service is developing the U.S. position on a voluntary IPOA-IUU elaborated by an Experts Consultation organized by the Government of Australia in cooperation with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). The draft IPOA-IUU will be further considered by a Technical Consultation open to all member countries of the FAO, October 2-6, 2000 at FAO headquarters in Rome.

The draft IPOA-IUU is available on the FAO website at [www.fao.org](http://www.fao.org) by clicking on "Fisheries," "Meetings," "Expert Consultation on Illegal, Unregulated and Unreported Fishing, Sydney, Australia, May 15-19, 2000" and "Documents" in succession, or by contacting Robin Tuttle (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

### Special Accommodations

The public meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aides should be directed to Robin Tuttle at least seven days before the meeting. NMFS will be able to accommodate a limited number of teleconference participants. Requests should be directed to Robin Tuttle by July 31,

2000, (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

Dated: June 28, 2000.

**Andrew A. Rosenberg,**  
*Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries,*  
*National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 062800B]

#### New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a meeting of its Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (M-SFCMA) Committee in July, 2000 to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from the committee will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 18, 2000, at 9:00 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at offices of the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management, 235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI; telephone: (401)222-6605.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; (978) 465-0492. Requests for special accommodations should be addressed to the New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Newburyport, MA 01950; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The committee will meet to develop comments on the 2000 reauthorization of the M-SFCMA.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal Council action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed 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

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Paul J. Howard (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 days prior to the meeting dates.

Dated: June 29, 2000.

**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

#### Science Advisory Board

**AGENCY:** Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, NOAA, DOC.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Science Advisory Board (SAB) was established by a Decision Memorandum dated September 25, 1997, and is the only Federal Advisory Committee with responsibility to advise the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere on long and short-range strategies for research, education, and application of science to resource management. SAB activities and advice will provide necessary input to ensure that National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) science programs are of the highest quality and provide optimal support to resource management.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Wednesday, July 19, 2000, from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Thursday, July 20, 2000, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Friday, July 21, 2000, from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** On July 19 and 21, the meeting will be held at the Westmark Hotel, 813 Noble Street, Fairbanks, AK. On Thursday, July 20, 2000, the meeting will be held at the International Arctic Research Center (IARC), University of Alaska Fairbanks, Fairbanks, AK.

**Status:** The meeting will be open to public participation with two 30-minute time periods set aside during the meeting for direct verbal comments or questions from the public. The SAB expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted verbal or written statements. In general, each individual or group making a verbal presentation will be limited to a total time of five (5) minutes. Written comments (at least 35

copies) should be received in the SAB Executive Director's Office by July 5, 2000, in order to provide sufficient time for SAB review. Written comments received by the SAB Executive Director after July 5 will be distributed to the SAB, but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting date. Approximately thirty (30) seats will be available for the public including five (5) seats reserved for the media. Seats will be available on a first-come first-served basis.

**Matters To Be Considered:** The meeting will include the following topics: (1) Overview of NOAA's Alaskan, Arctic and Northern Pacific Region Science and Research programs, (2) NOAA's involvement in the National Oceanographic Partnership Program, (3) Discussion of the SAB Report for the next NOAA Administrator, (4) Public Input Session with SAB discussion, (5) Presentation and SAB discussion of the proposal for Lab and Joint Institute Reviews, (6) SAB Sub-Committee and Working Group Reports, (7) SAB debriefing of NOAA response to SAB commendations on Northwest Salmon, (8) Presentations of University of Alaska Fairbanks Cooperative Institute for Arctic Research (CIFAR) major NOAA activities and research programs.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Michael S. Uhart, Executive Director, Science Advisory Board, NOAA, Rm. 11142, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910 (Phone: 301-713-9121, Fax: 301-713-3515, E-mail: [Michael.Uhart@noaa.gov](mailto:Michael.Uhart@noaa.gov)); or visit the NOAA SAB website at [www.sab.noaa.gov](http://www.sab.noaa.gov).

Dated: June 28, 2000.

**Louisa Koch,**

*Deputy Assistant Administrator, OAR.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 060800C]

#### Marine Mammals

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

**ACTION:** Issuance of photography permit no. 963-1535.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Wild Things Photography, P.O. Box 34517, 4474 Julep Street, Juneau, Alaska 99803, has been issued a permit to take by Level B harassment one species,

harbor seal (*Phoca vitulina*), of non-threatened, non-endangered marine mammals for purposes of commercial photography.

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

Permits Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS,

1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289); and

Regional Administrator, Alaska Region, 709 W. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Federal Building Room 461, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802 (907/586-7235).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On November 23, 1999, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (64 FR 65687) that the above-named applicant had submitted a request for a permit to take one species of marine mammals by Level B harassment during the course of commercial photographic activities in Glacier Bay National Park, Alaska. The requested permit has been issued, under the authority of § 104(c)(6) of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*).

Dated: June 27, 2000.

**Ann D. Terbush,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 062700C]

#### Marine Mammals; File No. 782-1438 and P77-4#2

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

**ACTION:** Issuance of permit amendments.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the National Marine Mammal Laboratory, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, Seattle, Washington 98115-0070 has been issued an amendment to scientific research Permit No. 782-1438; and that the Northeast Fisheries Science Center, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 166 Water Street, Woods Hole, MA 02546-1026 has been issued an amendment to scientific

research Permit No. 917 (File No. P77-4#2).

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

File Nos. 782-1438 and P77-4#2: Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289);

File No. 782-1438: Southwest Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, 501 West Ocean Boulevard, Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802-4213 (562/980-4001);

File No. 782-1438: Alaska Region, National Marine Fisheries Service, NOAA, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802 (907/586-7235);

File No. P77-4#2 (Permit No. 917): Northeast Region, NMFS, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930, (978/281-9250).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Simona Roberts or Ruth Johnson, 301/713-2289.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On May 4, 2000, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (65 FR 25912) that an amendment of Permit No. 782-1438, issued on May 8, 1998 (63 FR 27265) and of Permit No. 917 (File No. P77-4#2), issued on May 11, 1994 (59 FR 25892), as amended on April 16, 1999 (64 FR 6326), had been requested by the above-named institutions. The requested amendments have been granted 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 (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR 222-226).

Permit No. 782-1438 authorizes the National Marine Mammal Laboratory to take various large and small cetacean species through photographic aerial surveys (Project I), biopsy sampling and photo-id (Project II), small cetacean species and pinnipeds through vessel surveys (Project III) and gray whales through biopsy sampling, tagging, photo-id and harassment (Project IV).

The amendment now authorizes the National Marine Mammal Laboratory to satellite-tag, flipper tag, VHF radio/tag depth recorder (TDR) suction cup-tag and biopsy sample beluga whales (*Delphinapterus leucas*) in Alaskan waters.