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

Dated: September 25, 2019.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Endangered and Threatened Species; Take of Anadromous Fish

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

ACTION: Notice; receipt of one incidental take permit application; availability of a draft environmental assessment; request for comments.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that NMFS has received one incidental take permit application for the Calaveras River Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP) pursuant to the Endangered Species Act (ESA) of 1973, as amended. NMFS has also prepared a draft environmental assessment (EA) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) describing the potential effects of Stockton East Water District's (District) proposed Calaveras River HCP. The Calaveras River HCP was prepared and submitted by the District and describes their ongoing operations and monitoring activities in the Calaveras River. NMFS is furnishing this notice in order to allow other agencies and the public an opportunity to review and comment on the Calaveras River HCP and EA. All comments and other information received will become part of the public record and will be available for review. **DATES:** Comments or requests for a public hearing on the applications must be received at the appropriate address or fax number (see **ADDRESSES**) no later than 5 p.m. Pacific standard time on November 14, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on the submitted permit application and

associated HCP and/or the draft EA should be addressed to the NMFS California Central Valley Office, Attn: Calaveras River Habitat Conservation Plan, 650 Capitol Mall, Suite 5-100, Sacramento, CA 95814. Comments may also be submitted via fax to 916-930-3629 or by email to Calaveras.HCP@noaa.gov. Include in the subject line of the email comment the following identifier: Comments on Calaveras River Habitat Conservation Plan. Please specify whether the comments provided are associated with the HCP or the draft EA. When commenting, please refer to the specific page number and line number of the subject of your comment. The documents are available on the internet at <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/action/calaveras-river-habitat-conservation-plan-and-environmental-assessment>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Monica Gutierrez, Sacramento, CA, at phone number: (916) 930-3657, via fax: (916) 930-3629, or via email: Monica.Gutierrez@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

ESA-Listed Species Covered in This Notice

Chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*): Winter-run Chinook salmon, spring-run Chinook salmon, and fall/late fall-run Chinook salmon. California Central Valley (CCV) steelhead (*O. mykiss*).

Background

The District is seeking coverage under section 10(a)(1)(B) of the ESA for their ongoing operations and monitoring program in the lower Calaveras River in California's Central Valley. The Calaveras River, a tributary to the San Joaquin River, serves as an important source of water for fish, agriculture, and municipal uses in Calaveras and San Joaquin counties. The District manages the water resources within the Calaveras River during non-flood control periods for their respective constituents. The Calaveras River provides valuable habitat for CCV steelhead and Chinook salmon. The District's operations may result in impacts to listed species and their habitat within the Calaveras River. Therefore, the District is committed to working collaboratively with NMFS to minimize these impacts through implementation of the HCP upon issuance of the Section 10(a)(1)(B) Permit.

Authority

Section 9 of the ESA and Federal regulations prohibit the 'taking' of a species listed as endangered or threatened. The ESA defines "take" to

mean harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect, or to attempt to engage in any such conduct. NMFS may issue permits, under limited circumstances to take listed species incidental to, and not the purpose of, otherwise lawful activities. Section 10(a)(1)(B) of the ESA provides for authorizing incidental take of listed species. NMFS regulations governing permits for threatened and endangered species are promulgated at 50 CFR 222.307.

NEPA requires Federal agencies to conduct an environmental analysis of their proposed actions to determine if the actions may affect the human environment. Therefore, NMFS is seeking public input on the scope of the required NEPA analysis, including the range of reasonable alternatives and associated impacts of any alternatives.

Angela Somma,

Chief, Endangered Species Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Fisheries of the South Atlantic; South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a meeting of its Citizen Science Operations Committee via webinar October 25, 2019.

DATES: The Citizen Science Operations Committee meeting will be held via webinar on Friday, October 25, 2019, from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held via webinar. The webinar is open to members of the public. Those interested in participating should contact Julia Byrd (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) to request an invitation providing webinar access information. Please request webinar invitations at least 24 hours in advance of each webinar. There will be an opportunity for public comment at the beginning of the meeting.

Council address: South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N Charleston, SC 29405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julia Byrd, Citizen Science Program Manager, SAFMC; phone: (843) 302-8439 or toll free (866) SAFMC-10; fax: (843) 769-4520; email: julia.byrd@safmc.net.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Citizen Science Operations Committee serves as advisors to the Council's Citizen Science Program. Committee members include representatives from the Council's Citizen Science Advisory Panel, Southeast Regional Office, Southeast Fisheries Science Center, and Science and Statistical Committee. Their responsibilities include developing programmatic recommendations, reviewing policies, providing program direction/multi-partner support, identifying citizen science research needs, and providing general advice.

Items to be addressed during this webinar meeting include:

1. Citizen Science Program Overview & Update
2. Citizen Science Projects Update
3. Review of the citizen science research priorities and recommend updates as appropriate
4. Discuss Citizen Science Program evaluation and provide recommendations as appropriate
5. Other Business

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Western Pacific 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 Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold its 134th Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) meeting, American Samoa Archipelago Fishery Ecosystem Plan Advisory Panel (AP), American Samoa Regional Ecosystem Advisory Committee (REAC), Executive and Budget Standing Committee, Pelagic and International Standing Committee and its 180th Council meeting to take actions on fishery management issues in the Western Pacific Region.

DATES: The meetings will be held between October 15 and October 24, 2019. For specific times and agendas, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**. All times listed are local island times.

ADDRESSES:

Meeting addresses: The 134th SSC will be held at the Council Office Conference Room, 1164 Bishop St. Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI 96813, phone: (808) 522-8220. The Executive and Budget Standing Committee and Pelagic and International Standing Committee will be held at Sadie's by the Sea, Utulei Beach, Route 1, Pago Pago, American Samoa, phone: (684) 633-5900. The REAC, AP, and 180th Council meeting will be held at Governor Tauese P.F. Sunia Ocean Center, Pago-Pago, American Samoa, phone: (684) 633-6500.

Council address: Western Pacific Fishery Management Council, 1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI 96813.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director, Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; phone: (808) 522-8220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The 134th SSC meeting will be held between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. on October 15-17, 2019. The REAC will be held between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. on October 18, 2019. The AP will be held between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. on October 18, 2019. The Executive and Budget Standing Committee will be held between 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. on October 21, 2019. The Pelagic and International Standing Committee will be held between 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. on October 21, 2019. The 180th Council Meeting will be held on October 22, 2019, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. with a Public Comment for Non-Agenda Items between 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. and a Fishers Forum between 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. The Council meeting continues on October 23, 2019, between 8:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. and on October 24, 2019, between 8:30 a.m. and 12 noon. Agenda items noted as "Final Action Items" refer to actions that result in

Council transmittal of a proposed fishery management plan, proposed plan amendment, or proposed regulations to the U.S. Secretary of Commerce, under Sections 304 or 305 of the MSA. In addition to the agenda items listed here, the Council and its advisory bodies will hear recommendations from Council advisors. An opportunity to submit public comment will be provided throughout the agendas. The order in which agenda items are addressed may change and will be announced in advance at the Council meeting. The meetings will run as late as necessary to complete scheduled business. Background documents will be available from, and written comments should be sent to, Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director; Western Pacific Fishery Management Council, 1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI 96813, phone: (808) 522-8220 or fax: (808) 522-8226.

Agenda for 134th SSC Meeting

Tuesday, October 15, 2019, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

1. Introductions
2. Approval of Draft Agenda and Assignment of Rapporteurs
3. Status of the 132nd and 133rd SSC Meeting Recommendations
4. Report from Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center (PIFSC) Director
5. Program Planning and Research
 - A. Fishing Community Perceptions on of the Marine Protected Area (MPA) Siting Process and its Implications
 - B. Report on SSC Working Group on National Standard (NS) 1 Technical Guidance on Phase-Ins and Carry-Over
 - C. Report on the Pacific Insular Fisheries Monitoring Assessment Planning Summit (PIFMAPS)
 - D. Updates to the Spatial Management Workshop Planning
 - E. Report to Congress on Section 201 of Modernizing Recreational Fisheries Act
 - F. Report on the 2019 Annual Climate Change Collaborative
6. Public Comment
7. SSC Discussion and Recommendations
8. Island Fisheries
 - A. Report on the Western Pacific Stock Assessment Review (WPSAR) of the Territorial Bottomfish Benchmark Stock Assessment
 - B. Peer-Reviewed Benchmark Stock Assessment of the Bottomfish Management Unit Species Complex in American Samoa, Guam and Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI)
 - C. Guam Reef Fish Stock Assessment
 - D. Review of the Terms of Reference for the Main Hawaiian Islands *Aprion virescens* (uku) Benchmark Stock Assessment
 - E. Public Comment
 - F. SSC Discussion and Recommendations