

Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC) specifications for 2011–2013 and to determine status; approve the calibration of FSV Bigelow catches to FSV Albatross equivalents, rather than vice versa and approve the use of a consistent set of FSV Bigelow strata to adjust biological reference points and adjust the catch/biomass medians as a basis for setting ABC.

On Wednesday, April 13, 2011, the SSC will discuss the Council's Whiting/Hake Plan Development Team's evaluation of ABC-setting options. Specifically it will provide guidance to the plan team concerning the development of ABC specifications for inclusion in Amendment 19 (small mesh multispecies component) to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. 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, Executive Director, at 978–465–0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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##### Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Social and Economic Sub-Committee of the Mid-Atlantic

Fishery Management Council's (Council) Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) will meet with the Council's Squid, Mackerel, and Butterfish (SMB) Advisory Panel (AP).

**DATES:** Thursday, April 14 through Friday, April 15, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Historic Inns of Annapolis, MD 21401 telephone: (410) 263–2641.

*Council Address:* Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N. State Street, Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; *telephone:* (302) 674–2331.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of this meeting is to review fishery performance and create an AP Fishery Performance Report for Squid, Mackerel, and Butterfish. On Friday, April 15—The Joint Meeting of the Squid, Mackerel, and Butterfish AP and SSC Socio-Economic Sub-Committee meeting will be continued.

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

##### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

##### National Estuarine Research Reserve System

**AGENCY:** Estuarine Reserves Division, Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of Comment Period for Revised Management Plans for the following National Estuarine Research Reserves: ACE Basin, SC and Old Woman Creek, OH.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the Estuarine Reserves Division, Office

of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), U.S. Department of Commerce is announcing a thirty-day comment period for the revised management plans and boundary amendments of the ACE Basin, SC National Estuarine Research Reserve and Old Woman Creek, OH National Estuarine Research Reserve.

The revised management plan for the ACE Basin, SC National Estuarine Research Reserve outlines the administrative structure; the education, training, stewardship, and research programs of the reserve; and the plans for future land acquisition and facility development to support reserve operations. The objectives described in this plan address the most critical coastal issues in ACE Basin related to habitat conservation, water quality, community resilience, and public access. Since the last approved management plan in 1992, the reserve has become fully staffed; added a Coastal Training Program that delivers science-based information to key decisionmakers; and added significant monitoring of emergent marsh vegetation, water quality, and invasive species. In addition to programmatic and staffing advances, the reserve has constructed an interpretive center that houses educational exhibits, classrooms, offices, conference space, trails and dock with public access. A field station with lab facilities, research dock, and accommodations for visiting researchers has also been constructed.

This management plan amends the boundary to include 4,687 acres of the Botany Bay Plantation located adjacent to the northeastern corner of Edisto Island in lower Charleston County, SC. The undeveloped coastal habitats of the plantation include maritime forest, coastal shrub, wetlands, tidal marshes and sand beaches. The property provides important habitat for numerous wildlife species, including critical nesting habitat for the Federally threatened loggerhead sea turtle and the State threatened least tern. The lands contain significant cultural resources and list several sites on the National Register of Historic Places. This management plan amends the boundary by also removing 40,089 acres of private lands previously counted in error. In total, the ACE Basin Reserve includes 99,308 acres designated for long term research, education and stewardship. This plan can be accessed for review at <http://www.dnr.sc.gov/marine/NERR/index.html>.

The revised management plan for the Old Woman Creek, OH National