

be allocated to the researcher and any involved fishing vessel;

4. A budget that includes a breakdown of costs (vessel expenses, permit costs, equipment, supplies, overhead, as applicable); applicants must submit a Standard Form 424 "Application for Federal Assistance" including a detailed budget using Standard Form 424A, "Budget Information--Non-Construction Programs," Standard Form 424B, "Assurances--Non-Construction Programs," and Commerce Department Form CD-511, "Certifications Regarding Debarment, Suspension and Other Responsibility Matters: Drug Free Workplace Requirements and Lobbying." Copies of these Standard Forms may be found on the Internet in a PDF version at <http://www.ofa.noaa.gov/~grants/index.html> under the title "Grant Application Forms and Budget Guidelines," or by contacting the NMFS office (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**); and

5. Supporting documents (resumes, cooperative research agreements, contracts, etc.).

#### N. Final Reports

NOAA and the Council will require project researchers to submit semi-annual progress reports and a completion report describing their research project results and other acceptable deliverable(s), in a timeframe that is specific to the type of research conducted. The format of the final report may vary, but must contain:

1. A brief abstract or summary of the project;
2. A description of the issue/problem that was addressed;
3. A detailed description of methods of data collection and analyses;
4. A discussion of results and any relevant conclusions, presented in a format that is understandable to a non-technical audience; this should include benefits and/or contributions to management decision-making;

5. A list of entities, firms or organizations that actually performed the work, and a description of how that was accomplished; and

6. A detailed final accounting of all funds used to conduct sea scallop research, including those provided through the research set-aside. The financial information must be submitted on Office of Management and Budget Standard Form-269. Copies of this Standard Form may be found on the Internet in a PDF version at <http://www.ofa.noaa.gov/~grants/index.html> under the title "Grants Management Forms", or by contacting the NMFS

office (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

7. Projects designed to collect new data for inclusion in NMFS' or ACCSP's databases must submit the data in electronic format with appropriate documentation. Certain databases will have highly specific requirements as to required fields and content. Applicants must agree to provide newly collected data in a format acceptable to the administrators of the receiving databases.

#### O. Other Requirements

Evaluations of the impacts of sea scallop research, which involve exemptions to the current fishing regulations, other than those stated in the FMP, will be made by NMFS. Vessels conducting certain types of sea scallop research requiring relief from fishery regulations may be required to obtain an Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP). To apply for an EFP, interested parties must submit an application to NMFS at least 60 days before the effective date of the EFP. Additional time could be necessary for NMFS to make determinations regarding requirements under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other applicable laws.

#### P. Other Requirements of Recipients

The Department of Commerce Pre-Award Notification of Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements contained in the **Federal Register** notice of October 1, 2001 (66 FR 49917), as amended by the **Federal Register** notice published on October 30, 2002 (67 FR 66109), is applicable to this solicitation.

#### Q. Future Awards

If we select your application to perform sea scallop research to be conducted with the scallop TAC set-aside, we have no obligation to provide any additional TAC set-aside obligations in connection with that award.

#### Classification

Prior notice and opportunity for public comments are not required by the Administrative Procedure Act or any other law for this notice concerning grants, benefits, and contracts (5 U.S.C. 553(a)(2)).

Because a general notice of proposed rulemaking as specified in 5 U.S.C. 553, or any other law, was not required for this action, the analytical requirements of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601 *et seq.*, are not applicable.

This notice contains collection-of-information requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act. The use of Standard Forms 269, 424, 424A, 424B,

and SF-LLL have been approved by OMB under the respective control numbers 0348-0039, 0348-0043, 0348-0044, 0348-0040, and 0348-0046.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with, a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act, unless that collection displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Applications under this program are subject to Executive Order 12372, "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs."

This action has been determined to be not significant for purposes of Executive Order 12866.

Dated: January 13, 2003.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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### Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Groundfish Management Team (GMT) will hold a working meeting to plan the annual management cycle and strategize 2003 Council initiatives. This meeting is open to the public.

**DATES:** The GMT working meeting will convene on Monday, February 3, 2003 at 1 p.m. and may go into the evening until business for the day is completed. The GMT meeting will reconvene from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesday, February 4 through Friday, February 7 until business for the day is completed.

**ADDRESSES:** The GMT working meeting will be held at the Pacific Fishery Management Council office, West Conference Room, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 200, Portland, OR 97220; 503-820-2280.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. John DeVore, Pacific Fishery Management Council Staff Officer for Groundfish; 503-820-2280.