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Meeting of the Columbia Basin Partnership Task Force of the Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee

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

ACTION: Notice of open public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the proposed schedule and agenda of a forthcoming meeting of the Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee's (MAFAC's) Columbia Basin Partnership Task Force (CBP Task Force). The CBP Task Force will discuss the issues outlined in the

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION below.

DATES: The meeting will be held September 26, 2017, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and on September 27, 2017, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Best Western Plus Hood River Inn, 1108 E Marina Drive, Hood River, OR 97031.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Katherine Cheney; NFMS West Coast Region (503) 231-6730; e-mail: Katherine.Cheney@noaa.gov

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice is hereby given of a meeting of MAFAC's CBP Task Force. The MAFAC was established by the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) and, since 1971, advises the Secretary on all living marine resource matters that are the responsibility of the Department of Commerce. The complete MAFAC charter and summaries of prior

MAFAC meetings are located online at <http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/ocs/mafac/>. The CBP Task Force reports to MAFAC and is being convened to discuss and develop recommendations for long-term goals to meet Columbia Basin salmon recovery, conservation needs, and harvest opportunities. These goals will be developed in the context of habitat capacity and other factors that affect salmon mortality. More information is available at the CBP Task Force web page: http://www.westcoast.fisheries.noaa.gov/columbia_river/index.html

Matters To Be Considered

The meeting time and agenda are subject to change. Updated information will be available on the CBP Task Force webpage above. Meeting topics include progress reports on applying the analytical framework to example species as prototypes and updates on quantitative goal setting, guiding principles, and vision. The meeting is open to the public as observers, and public input will be accepted on September 27, 2017, from 1:00 -1:30 p.m., limited to the time available.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Katherine Cheney; 503-231-6730, by Sept. 15, 2017.

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