G. EPA Recommendations To Further Improve the Rules

The TSD describes additional rule revisions that we recommend for the next time the local agency modifies the rules.

D. Public Comment and Final Action

Because EPA believes the submitted rules fulfill all relevant requirements, we are proposing to fully approve them as described in section 110(k)(3) of the Act. We will accept comments from the public on this proposal for the next 30 days. Unless we receive convincing new information during the comment period, we intend to publish a final approval action that will incorporate these rules into the federally enforceable SIP.

III. Statutory and Executive Order Reviews

Under the Clean Air Act, the Administrator is required to approve a SIP submission that complies with the provisions of the Act and applicable Federal regulations. 42 U.S.C. 7410(k); 40 CFR 52.02(a). Thus, in reviewing SIP submissions, EPA’s role is to approve State choices, provided that they meet the criteria of the Clean Air Act. Accordingly, this action merely approves State law as meeting Federal requirements and does not impose additional requirements beyond those imposed by State law. For that reason, this action:

- Is not a “significant regulatory action” subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget under Executive Order 12866 (58 FR 51735, October 4, 1993);
- Does not impose an information collection burden under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.);
- Is certified as not having a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities under the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.);
- Does not contain any unfunded mandate or significantly or uniquely affect small governments, as described in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–4);
- Does not have Federalism implications as specified in Executive Order 13132 (64 FR 43255, August 10, 2001);
- Is not a significant regulatory action subject to Executive Order 13211 (66 FR 28355, May 22, 2001);
- Is not subject to requirements of Section 12(d) of the National Technology Transfer and Advancement Act of 1995 (15 U.S.C. 272 note) because application of those requirements would be inconsistent with the Clean Air Act; and
- Does not provide EPA with the discretionary authority to address, as appropriate, disproportionate human health or environmental effects, using practicable and legally permissible methods, under Executive Order 12898 (59 FR 7629, February 16, 1994).

In addition, this rule does not have tribal implications as specified by Executive Order 13175 (65 FR 67249, November 9, 2000), because the SIP is not approved to apply in Indian country located in the State, and EPA notes that it will not impose substantial direct costs on tribal governments or preempt tribal law.

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 52

Environmental protection, Air pollution control, Intergovernmental relations, Ozone, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Volatile organic compounds.

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.

Dated: March 8, 2010.

Jared Blumenfeld,
Regional Administrator, Region IX.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Bureau of Indian Affairs

48 CFR Chapter 14

RIN 1076–AE95

Tribal Consultation on Draft Buy Indian Act Regulations

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of tribal consultation meetings.

SUMMARY: Indian Affairs will conduct consultation meetings with Indian tribes to obtain oral and written comments concerning draft regulations to implement the Buy Indian Act. See the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section of this notice for details.

DATES: The tribal consultation meetings will take place on Monday, April 26, 2010; Wednesday, April 28, 2010; and Friday, April 30, 2010.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Kathy Daum, Director, Indian Affairs, Office of Acquisition and Property Management (OAPM), 2051 Mercator Drive, Reston, VA 20191; Telephone: (703) 390–6460; Fax: (703) 390–6582; E-mail: kathy.daum@bia.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Background

Indian Affairs is developing a rule to guide implementation of the Buy Indian Act, 25 U.S.C. 47, which provides authority to set aside procurement contracts for qualified Indian-owned businesses. The rule will supplement the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) and the Department of the Interior Acquisition Regulations (DIAR). Indian Affairs is developing the rule to describe uniform administrative procedures that Indian Affairs will use in all of its locations to encourage procurement relationships with eligible Indian economic enterprises in the execution of the Buy Indian Act. The draft rule being developed includes revisions to address the input received as a result of earlier publications in the Federal Register soliciting comment and consultation hearings in Indian Country. Indian Affairs reviewed all comments received to date, addressed them in succeeding draft versions, and incorporated them into the current draft version of the rule, where applicable. A consultation booklet containing the current draft version of the rule will be distributed to federally recognized Indian tribes and BIA regional and agency offices and will be available at the meetings.

II. Meeting Details

Tribal consultation meetings will be held at the following dates and locations:

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<td>Monday, April 26, 2010</td>
<td>9 a.m.–5 p.m.</td>
<td>Holiday Inn Portland Airport, 8439 NE Columbia Blvd., Portland, OR 97220, (503) 914–5251.</td>
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<td>Wednesday, April 28, 2010</td>
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<td>Holiday Inn Rushmore Plaza 505, North Fifth Street, Rapid City, SD 57701, (605) 348–6800.</td>
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<td>Friday, April 30, 2010</td>
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<td>Tulsa Marriott Southern Hills, 1902 East 71st, Tulsa, OK 74136, (918) 493–7000.</td>
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 622

[Docket No. 0911051395–0145–01]

RIN 0648–AY32

Fishes of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment for the South Atlantic Region

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

ACTION: Proposed rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: NMFS issues this proposed rule to implement the Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment 1 (CE–BA1) to the following South Atlantic fishery management plans (FMPs): The FMP for Coral, Coral reefs, and Live/ Hard Bottom Habitats of the South Atlantic Region (Coral FMP); the FMP for the Dolphin and Wahoo Fishery off the Atlantic States (Dolphin and Wahoo FMP); the FMP for Golden Crab of the South Atlantic Region (Golden Crab FMP); the FMP for the Shrimp Fishery of the South Atlantic Region (Shrimp FMP); and the FMP for the Snapper- Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic Region (Snapper-Grouper FMP), as prepared and submitted by the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) as well as the FMP for Coastal Migratory Pelagic (CMP) Resources (CMP FMP); and the FMP for the Spiny Lobster Fishery of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic (Spiny Lobster FMP), as prepared and submitted by the South Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Councils.

This proposed rule would establish Deepwater Coral Habitat Areas of Particular Concern (Deepwater Coral HAPCs) off the coast of the southern Atlantic States in which the use of specified fishing gear and methods and the possession of coral would be prohibited. Within the Deepwater Coral HAPCs, fishing zones would be created that would allow continued fishing on the historical grounds for golden crab and deepwater shrimp. In addition, CE–BA1 would update existing Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) information in the area off the southern Atlantic States, thus, addressing the need for spatial representation of designated EFH and EFH–HAPCs. The intended effects of this rule are to protect what is thought to be the largest distribution of pristine deepwater coral ecosystems in the world while minimizing the effects on traditional fishing in the Deepwater Coral HAPCs.

DATES: Written comments on this proposed rule must be received no later than 5 p.m., eastern time, on May 10, 2010.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by RIN 0648–AY32, by any one of the following methods:

- Electronic Submissions: Submit all electronic public comments via the Federal eRulemaking Portal http://www.regulations.gov

- Fax: 727–824–5308, Attn: Karla Gore

- Mail: Karla Gore, Southeast Regional Office, NMFS, 263 13th Avenue South, St. Petersburg, FL 33701

Instructions: No comments will be posted for public viewing until after the comment period has closed. All comments received are a part of the public record and will generally be posted to http://www.regulations.gov without change. All Personal Identifying Information (for example, name, address, etc.) voluntarily submitted by the commenter may be publicly accessible. Do not submit Confidential Business Information or otherwise sensitive or protected information.

To submit comments through the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal http://www.regulations.gov, enter “NOAA–NMFS–2009–0158” in the keyword search, then select “Send a Comment or Submission.” NMFS will accept anonymous comments. Enter N/A in the required field if you wish to remain anonymous. Attachments to electronic comments will be accepted in Microsoft Word, Excel, WordPerfect, or Adobe PDF file formats only.

Copies of CE–BA1 may be obtained from the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place, Suite 201, North Charleston, SC 29405; phone: 843–571–4366 or 866–SAFMC–10 (toll free); fax: 843–769–4520; e-mail: safmc@safmc.net. CE–BA1 includes a Final Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS), an Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis (IRFA), a Regulatory Impact Review, and a Social Impact Assessment/Fishery Impact Statement.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The fisheries for coastal migratory pelagics; coral, coral reefs, and live/hard bottom habitats; dolphin and wahoo; golden crab; shrimp; spiny lobster; and snapper-grouper off the southern Atlantic States are managed under their respective FMPs. The FMPs were prepared by the Council(s) and are implemented under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act) by regulations at 50 CFR part 622.

Deepwater Coral HAPCs

Deepwater corals are slow growing and easily damaged by bottom-tending gear. Areas of deepwater coral provide hard substrates and habitat for a biologically rich and diverse community of associated fish and invertebrates. More than 99 species of fish and invertebrates are associated with deepwater coral habitats, including commercial species such as wreckfish, deepwater groupers, and golden crab.

The proposed rule would establish five Deepwater Coral HAPCs: Cape Lookout Lophelia Banks Deepwater Coral HAPC, Cape Fear Lophelia Banks Deepwater Coral HAPC, Stetson-Miami Terrace Deepwater Coral HAPC, P eruptales Terrace Deepwater Coral HAPC, and Blake Ridge Diapir Deepwater Coral HAPC. These Deepwater Coral HAPCs would provide positive biological benefits to the deepwater corals and to the species that rely on these areas. In all of the proposed Deepwater Coral HAPCs, possession of coral species and the use of bottom longline, trawl (mid-water and bottom), dredge, pot, or trap gear would be prohibited. The use of anchor, anchor and chain, or grapple and chain would also be prohibited within the Deepwater Coral HAPCs. The fishery for wreckfish would not be affected since the use of bottom tending hook-and-line gear used in that fishery would not be prohibited in the proposed Deepwater Coral HAPCs. Similarly, the use of hook-and-line gear commonly used in the snapper-grouper fishery would not be prohibited.

Given the slow-growth of these deepwater corals, the restrictions in this proposed rule would be expected to result in long-term biological benefits to deepwater coral habitat as well as the species that utilize this habitat.

Shrimp Fishery Access Areas

This rule would designate four portions of one of the Deepwater Coral HAPCs as shrimp fishery access areas. In these areas, an owner or operator of a vessel for which a valid commercial fishing license is issued may conduct fishing with the following gear: hook and line and handlines, traps, pots, and prawn gear. The gear described above would be permitted without restriction as long as non-native species are not retained.

In the Deepwater Coral HAPCs where shrimp fishing is permitted, fishing shall be restricted to the areas identified in the following table. The areas have been identified as having the highest concentration of coral species. In all cases, the areas are identified by their central point of occurrence. All areas are approximately 10 nautical miles in diameter.

- Cape Lookout Lophelia Banks Deepwater Coral HAPC

- Cape Fear Lophelia Banks Deepwater Coral HAPC

- Stetson-Miami Terrace Deepwater Coral HAPC

- P eruptales Terrace Deepwater Coral HAPC