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Proposed Rule Stage

**Small Entities Affected:** Undetermined

**Government Levels Affected:** Undetermined

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**RIN:** 0648-AF88

**590. AMENDMENT 8 TO THE PACIFIC COAST GROUND FISH FMP TO IMPLEMENT INDIVIDUAL QUOTAS FOR THE FIXED-GEAR SABLEFISH FISHERY (OR REGULATORY AMENDMENT FOR NONTRAWL TRIP LIMITS)**

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Legal Authority:** 16 USC 1801 et seq

**CFR Citation:** 50 CFR 663

**Legal Deadline:** NPRM, Statutory. Final, Statutory. NPRM 15 days and final action 110 days after receipt from the Pacific Fishery Management Council.

**Abstract:** Regulations would implement Amendment 8 to the Pacific Coast Groundfish FMP to establish an individual quota system for sablefish caught with fixed gear off Washington, Oregon, and California. Alternatively a regulatory amendment may implement trip limits in the nontrawl sablefish fishery.

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/00/95	
NPRM Comment Period End	01/00/96	
Final Action	05/00/96	
Final Action Effective	06/00/96	

**Small Entities Affected:** Businesses

**Government Levels Affected:** Federal

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**RIN:** 0648-AF90

**591. REGULATORY ADJUSTMENTS TO 1994-1995 ATLANTIC TUNA FISHERIES**

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Legal Authority:** 16 USC 971 et seq

**CFR Citation:** 50 CFR 285

**Legal Deadline:** None

**Abstract:** This action will establish fishing category quotas for the 1995 fisheries for bluefin tuna, revise regulations affecting directed catch and incidental take of bluefin tuna, change permitting and reporting requirements for the Atlantic tuna fisheries, and implement regulations for yellowfin and bigeye tuna to comply with ICCAT recommendations and domestic fishery management objectives.

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	04/00/95	
NPRM Comment Period End	05/00/95	
Final Action	05/00/95	
Final Action Effective	06/00/95	

**Small Entities Affected:** Businesses

**Government Levels Affected:** Undetermined

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**RIN:** 0648-AG14

**592. AMENDMENT 8 TO THE FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR COASTAL MIGRATORY PELAGIC RESOURCES OF THE GULF OF MEXICO AND SOUTH ATLANTIC**

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Legal Authority:** 16 USC 1801 et seq

**CFR Citation:** 50 CFR 642

**Legal Deadline:** NPRM, Statutory. Final, Statutory.

NPRM 15 days and final action 110 days from receipt from a Regional Fishery Management Council.

**Abstract:** Amendment 8 management measures being considered include: permits for commercial mackerel dealers; a 3,000-lb. commercial daily trip limit for Atlantic group king mackerel; extending the cobia management area to include the

exclusive economic zone (EEZ) from Virginia to New York; reestablishing the boundary separating Gulf and Atlantic groups of king mackerel; a daily commercial trip limit for cobia; at sea vessel-to-vessel transfer of Atlantic group Spanish mackerel among commercial vessels in the EEZ off Florida; providing the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council with the authority to decide on the management measures (quotas, trip limits, etc.) for Gulf group king mackerel in the seasonal fishery (November-March) in the area off the Florida east coast; and dividing the hook-and-line commercial quota of Gulf group king mackerel in the Florida west coast subzone equitably between user groups.

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	09/00/95	
NPRM Comment Period End	11/00/95	
Final Action	01/00/96	
Final Action Effective	02/00/96	

**Small Entities Affected:** Undetermined

**Government Levels Affected:** Undetermined

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**RIN:** 0648-AG25

**593. AMENDMENT 1 TO THE FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE SHRIMP FISHERY OF THE SOUTH ATLANTIC**

**Priority:** Substantive, Nonsignificant

**Legal Authority:** 16 USC 1801 et seq

**CFR Citation:** 50 CFR 659

**Legal Deadline:** NPRM, Statutory. Final, Statutory.

NPRM 15 days and final action 110 days after receipt from a Regional Fishery Management Council.

**Abstract:** Amendment 1 would: add rock shrimp to the management unit of the Fishery Management Plan for the Shrimp Fishery of the South Atlantic (FMP); and prohibit trawling for rock shrimp in designated areas.

**Timetable:**

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	07/00/95	