

DATES: Written comments on the proposed rule must be received on or before August 2, 1995. The public hearings will be held during the month of July. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for dates and times of the public hearings.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to William Hogarth, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management (F/CM), National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Clearly mark the outside of the envelope "Atlantic Weakfish Comments." The public hearings will be held in North Carolina, Massachusetts, New York, Maryland, New Jersey, Florida, and Virginia. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for the public hearing locations.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: William Hogarth at 301-713-2339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed regulations are necessary to complement the rules already implemented by the coastal states through the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's Weakfish Management Plan, and to ensure the rebuilding of the weakfish stock along the east coast of the Atlantic Ocean.

A complete description of the measures, and the purpose and need for the proposed action, is contained in the proposed rule published June 20, 1995 and is not repeated here. Copies of the proposed rule may be obtained by writing (see **ADDRESSES**) or calling the contact person (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

To accommodate people unable to attend a hearing or wishing to provide additional comments, NMFS also

solicits written comments on the proposed rule.

The public hearings will be held as follows:

Morehead City, NC

Monday, July 10, 1995, 7-9 p.m.

Joslyn Hall
Carteret Community College
3505 Arendell Street
Morehead City, NC 28557

Fall River, MA

Monday, July 10, 1995, 7-9 p.m.

Fall River Heritage State Park
Theater
Route 24, Davol Street
Fall River, MA 02202

Manteo, NC

Tuesday, July 11, 1995, 7-9 p.m.

North Carolina Aquarium
Airport Road
Manteo, NC 27954

Setauket, NY

Wednesday, July 12, 1995, 7-9 p.m.

New York State Department of
Environmental Control
Division of Marine Resources
Headquarters
Conference Room
205 Belle Mead Road
Setauket, NY 11790

Salisbury, MD

Wednesday, July 12, 1995, 7-9 p.m.

Wicomico Public Library
122 South Division Street
Salisbury, MD 21802

Cape May Court House, NJ

Wednesday, July 12, 1995, 7-9 p.m.

New Jersey Marine Advisory Service

Education Center - Cape May County
Dennisville Road, Route 657
Cape May Court House, NJ 08210

Mayport, FL

Thursday, July 13, 1995, 7-9 p.m.

Mayport Elementary School
Auditorium
2753 Shang-ri-la Drive
Mayport, FL 32233

Newport News, VA

Monday, July 17, 1995, 7-9 p.m.

Commission Hearing Room
4th Floor
2600 Washington Avenue
Newport News, VA 23607

Dover, DE

Tuesday, July 18, 1995, 7:30-9:30 p.m.

Department of Natural Resources and
Environmental Control
Auditorium
89 Kings Highway
Dover, DE 19903

The purpose of this document is to alert the interested public of hearings and provide for public participation. These hearings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to William Hogarth by July 3, 1995 (see **ADDRESSES**).

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 5101 *et seq.*

Dated: June 20, 1995.

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Director, Office of Fisheries Conservation and Management, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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