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Hurricane Florence Aftermath



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Keith Bruno (Endurance Seafood) of Oriental, NC is just one example of the destruction to our seafood industry from Hurricane Florence.

North Carolina Fisheries Association is trying to get an idea of the total impact that Hurricane Florence has had on our industry. If you are a commercial fisherman, dealer and/or processor, please email your estimated damages and losses to [Aundrea O'Neal](mailto:Aundrea.O'Neal). (Aundrea@ncfish.org) Please include photos if possible.

We are going to attempt reaching out to our Legislators to try and get assistance for our industry, but we need figures to present to them.

NCFA would like to extend our sympathies to the Bruno family for the loss of their business and livelihood, as well as others' throughout our region.

Calendar

NCDMF MEETINGS FOR OCTOBER 2018

Oct. 11 at 6 p.m.

Blue Crab Fishery Management Plan Advisory Committee
Department of Environmental Quality Regional Office
943 Washington Square Mall, Washington
Contacts: Jason Rock | Corrin Flora
Phone: 252-948-3874 | 252-264-3911
Email: Jason.Rock@ncdenr.gov | Corrin.Flora@ncdenr.gov

Oct. 11 at 10:30 a.m.

Standard Commercial Fishing License Eligibility Board
Consider applications deemed complete and submitted by Sept. 10
N.C. Department of Environmental Quality
Wilmington District Office
127 North Cardinal Drive Ext, Wilmington
Contact: Ann Bordeaux-Nixon
Phone: 910-796-7261
Email: Ann.Bordeaux-Nixon@ncdenr.gov

MAFMC and ASMFC to Hold Public Hearings for Summer Flounder Commercial Issues Amendment

Hearing Schedule

Note that this hearing schedule was updated 9/10/18 to reflect hearings rescheduled due to inclement weather.

Monday, September 10, 7:00 PM – Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, Marine Headquarters Boating Education Center (Rear Building), 333 Ferry Road, Old Lyme, Connecticut 06371

RESCHEDULED for Monday, September 24, 6:00 PM – North Carolina Division of Marine Fisheries, Washington Regional Office, 943 Washington Square Mall, US Highway 17, Washington, North Carolina 27889

RESCHEDULED for Wednesday, September 26, 6:00 PM – HEARING LOCATION MOVED TO: Dover Public Library, Meeting Room B
35 Loockerman Plaza, Dover, Delaware 19901

RESCHEDULED for Wednesday, September 26, 7:00 PM – Virginia Marine Resources Commission, 2600 Washington Avenue, 4th Floor, Newport News, Virginia 23607

Wednesday, September 19, 5:30 PM – Bourne Community Center, Room #2, 239 Main Street, Buzzards Bay, Massachusetts 02532

Wednesday, September 19, 6:00 PM – University of Rhode Island Bay Campus, Corless Auditorium, South Ferry Road, Narragansett, Rhode Island 02882

Monday, September 24, 6:00 PM – Ocean County Administrative Building, 101 Hooper Avenue, Toms River, New Jersey 08753

Tuesday, September 25, 6:00 PM – Ocean Pines Library, 11107 Cathell Road, Berlin, Maryland 21811

Thursday, September 27, 6:30 PM – New York State Dept. of Environmental Conservation, School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences (SOMAS), Room 120 Endeavor, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, New York 11794

Thursday, September 27, 6:30 PM – Internet Webinar, Registration URL: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5467929991483514883>; Webinar ID: 658-611-667; Phone: 1-888-585-9008; Room Number: 853-657-937

Written Comments

Given the joint nature of this management effort and to streamline the public comment process, comments should be directed to Council contact information below. In addition to providing comments at any of the scheduled public hearings, you may submit written comments by 11:59 PM, Eastern Time, on Friday, October 12, 2018.

Written comments may be sent by any of the following methods:

ONLINE: www.mafmc.org/comments/summer-flounder-amendment

EMAIL: nmfs.flukeamendment@noaa.gov

MAIL OR FAX TO:

Chris Moore, Ph.D., Executive Director
Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council
800 North State Street, Suite 201
Dover, DE 19901

FAX: 302.674.5399

Please include “Summer Flounder Commercial Issues Amendment Comments” in the subject line if using email or on the outside of the envelope if submitting written comments by mail. All comments, regardless of submission method, will be compiled into a single document for review and consideration by both the Council and Commission. Please do not send separate comments to the Council and Commission.

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