

Subject: ACTION: RFWG Review of Draft Action Agenda

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Ken Franke, Chair of the NOAA Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee (MAFAC) Recreational Fisheries Subcommittee, asked me to email the group on his behalf:

Dear MAFAC Recreational Working Group Member:

You're invited to participate in a two hour-long conference call on Monday, June 21, 2010, from 3:00-5:00 pm EST to discuss NOAA Fisheries' draft Recreational Saltwater Fishing Action Agenda. Here is an opportunity to engage on some meaningful follow-through from this past April's Recreational Saltwater Fishing Summit. The development of an action agenda is among the most important activities initiated by NOAA Fisheries to advance the Summit.

You'll find the draft action agenda attached. Built from input provided by Summit participants, the action agenda is a living guidance document that will evolve as challenges are overcome and new priorities arise. We need your help in reviewing the action agenda to ensure we're tackling the most pressing issues and meeting the expectations of the recreational fishing community.

As you read through the document, please keep in mind a couple of questions:

1. Are there critical objectives/activities that may be absent or should be amended/removed?
2. How you would prioritize the proposed list of objectives and actions?
3. What are the areas where you personally would be willing to actively engage?

Your answers to these questions – and any other thoughts you have – will be provided to the full MAFAC at our upcoming meeting (June 29-July 1) in Juneau, AK. to help us formulate advice to NOAA and the Secretary on implementation. If you are unable to participate in the call or would prefer to share comments in writing, please email them to me by the close of business June 21st at kfranke2@san.rr.com and please copy Russell.Dunn@noaa.gov.

The Call-in number for June 21st is 888-469-1749. The pass code is RFWG

I look forward to speaking with you on June 21st or receiving your written comments addressing the questions above. We will provide you transcripts of the conference call and copies of all materials from the RFWG that are sent forward to MAFAC. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,

Ken Franke
Chair
MAFAC Recreational Fisheries Subcommittee

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