

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

[I.D. 120105A]

Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold its Precious Corals Plan Team (PCPT) meeting in Honolulu, HI. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for agenda items).

ADDRESSES: The PCPT meeting will be held at the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council Office, 1164 Bishop St., Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI 96813.

DATES: The meeting of the PCPT will be held January 5, 2006, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director; telephone: (808) 522-8220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The PCPT will meet on January 5, 2006 to discuss the following agenda items:

Thursday, January 5, 2006

1. Introductions
2. Review of last plan team meeting and recommendations
3. Report on the Third International Deep Sea Coral Conference
4. New coral aging data
5. Update on black coral management
6. Black coral workshop
7. Update on State of Hawaii Black Coral Regulations
8. Report on upcoming *Carijoa* research
The order in which agenda items are addressed may change. Public comment periods will be provided throughout the agenda. The Plan Team will meet as late as necessary to complete scheduled business.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before the Plan Team for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Plan Team action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any issue arising after publication of this document that requires emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, (808) 522-8220 (voice) or (808) 522-8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: December 1, 2005.

Emily Menashes,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

[I.D. 102805E]

Vessel Monitoring Systems; Additional Approved Mobile Transmitting Units for use in the South Atlantic Rock Shrimp Fishery

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

ACTION: Notice of vessel monitoring systems; additional approval.

SUMMARY: This document provides notice of vessel monitoring systems (VMS) approved by NOAA for use by vessels participating in the Rock Shrimp Fishery of the South Atlantic Region and sets forth relevant features of the VMS.

ADDRESSES: To obtain copies of the list of NOAA approved VMS mobile transmitting units and NOAA approved VMS communications service providers, or information regarding the status of VMS systems being evaluated by NOAA for approval, write to NOAA Fisheries Office for Law Enforcement (OLE), 8484 Georgia Avenue, Suite 415, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

To submit a completed and signed checklist, mail or fax it to NOAA Enforcement, 7600 Sand Point Way, Seattle, WA 98115, fax 206-526-6528. VMS provider addresses can be found in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice under the heading VMS Provider Addresses.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For current listing information Mark Oswell, Outreach Specialist, phone 301-427-2300, fax 301-427-2055. For questions regarding VMS installation, activation checklists, and status of evaluations, contact Jonathan Pinkerton, National VMS Program Manager, phone 301-

427-2300; fax 301-427-2055. For questions regarding the checklist, contact Beverly Lambert, Southeast Divisional VMS Program Manager, NMFS Office for Law Enforcement, Southeast Division, phone 727-824-5344.

The public may acquire this notice, installation checklist, and relevant updates by calling 301-427-2300.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. VMS Mobile Transceiver Units****BOATRACS - FMTC/G**

The Boatracs satellite communications VMS transmitting unit that meets the minimum technical requirements for the Rock Shrimp Fishery is the FMTC/G. The address for the Boatracs distributor dealer contact is provided under the heading VMS Provider Addresses.

The FMTC/G is an integrated GPS two-way satellite communications system, consisting of two major hardware components, the Mobile Communication Transceiver (MCT) and the Enhanced Display Unit (EDU). The MCT contains the antenna and integrated GPS that communicates with the satellite and contains the operating circuitry and memory. The EDU is a shock and splash resistant display and keyboard unit consisting of, a liquid crystal display, keyboard, with adjustable contrast, brightness, and audible alerts. A backlight illuminates the display for night view. The EDU has message waiting, no signal, and audible message received indicators.

The MCT is 6.7 inches high, 11.4 inches wide and weighs 11 pounds (4.99 kg). The base of the unit is 6.595 inches in diameter. The MCT draws approximately 2.3 amps of current from the power supply while transmitting and 1.2 amps when the vessel is idle.

The EDU is a hardened and splash proof keyboard display unit with a 15-line X 40-character screen that allows for both text and graphics. It is 12.72 inches wide, 9.3 inches long, 2.21 inches in depth, and weighs 3 pounds (1.36 kg) and is holster mounted in the cabin.

II. Satellite Communication Services

The FMTC/G utilizes KU band geostationary satellite to provide two-way data services. The data satellite transmits and receives all two-way message traffic between the vessel and NMFS, Shore Office, Network Operations Center or third party. The satellite is located 22,300 miles over the equator at 103 W. Longitude (south of Florida).

Boatracs operates a redundant NOC. This facility is online 24 hours a day,

365 days a year, including holidays. Customer service representatives are available to relay messages and provide customer service. The NOC is also the facility that allows for automatic boat-to-boat, boat-to-email, boat-to-fax, and email-to-boat service. Data on demand and information services are also provided by the NOC.

Boatracs contracts their satellite communication services from QUALCOMM Corporation of California. QUALCOMM offers 24 hours a day 365 days a year network support, and operates fully redundant earth stations in California and Nevada.

VMS units must be installed in accordance with vendor instructions and specifications. All installation costs are paid by the owner. The vessel owner is required to fax or mail the Fisheries Off the West Coast States and in the (Western Pacific Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Activation Fax) directly to NOAA Enforcement, 7600 Sand Point Way, Seattle, WA 98115, fax 206-526-6528.

The owner must confirm the FMTC/G operation and communications service to ensure that position reports are automatically sent to and received by OLE before leaving on their first fishing trip requiring VMS. OLE does not regard the fishing vessel as meeting the requirements until position reports are automatically received. For confirmation purposes, owners must contact NOAA Enforcement, 7600 Sand Point Way, Seattle, WA 98115, voice 206-526-6135, fax 206-526-6528.

III. VMS Provider Addresses

Boatracs corporate office address is 9155 Brown Deer Rd, Suite 8, San Diego, CA 92121. Telephone numbers are toll free (877) 468-8722 and direct dialed (858) 458-8100. The primary point of contact is Lauri Paul, Fisheries Market Segment Executive, e-mail lpaul@boatrac.com, direct telephone number (858) 458-8113, and toll free (877) 468-8722 ext 113. The alternate contact is David Brandos, e-mail dbrandos@boatrac.com, direct telephone number (858) 458-8102, and toll free (877) 468-8722 ext 102.

Dated: December 1, 2005.

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National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Public Telecommunications Facilities Program Grant Monitoring

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce (DOC), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on continuing and proposed information collection, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before February 6, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet dHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Clifton Beck, U.S. Department of Commerce, NTIA, Room H-4888, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 or via the Internet at CBECK@ntia.doc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The purpose of the Public Telecommunications Facilities Program is to assist, through matching funds, in the planning and construction of public telecommunications facilities in order to achieve the following objectives:

- Extend delivery of public telecommunications services to as many citizens in the United States as possible by the most efficient and economical means, including the use of broadcast and non-broadcast technologies;
- Increase public telecommunications services and facilities available to, operated by, and owned by minorities and women; and
- Strengthen the capability of existing public radio and television stations to provide public telecommunications services to the public.

II. Method of Collection

The collection allows grantees to make all submissions either over the Internet or by mail. Reports submitted by the grantees include:

- Construction schedule/planning timetable (one time).
- Performance reports (quarterly).
- Close-out materials after completion of the project (one time).
- Annual reports for the duration of the government's interest in the equipment (annually for a ten-year period).

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0660-0001.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations; not-for-profit institutions; state and local government agencies.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,970.

Estimated Time Per Response: Construction Schedules/Planning Timetables—on-line, 8 hours, paper, 10 hours; Performance Reports—on-line, 48 minutes, paper, 1 hour; Close-out Reports—on-line, 16 hours, paper, 24 hours; Draft Planning Reports—on-line and paper, 40 hours; Final Planning Reports, on-line and paper, 10 hours; Annual Reports—on-line, 30 minutes, paper, 1 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 6,779.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to the Public: \$0.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, e.g., the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of the information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: November 30, 2005.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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