

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration****Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Southwest Region Permit Family of Forms—Pacific**

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before June 16, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Walter Ikehara, (808) 944-2275 or walter.ikehara@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Abstract**

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Pacific Islands Region (PIR) manages the U.S. fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) in the western Pacific under five fishery management plans (FMPs), prepared by the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council pursuant to the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The regulations implementing the FMPs are found at 50 CFR part 665.

The permitting requirements at 50 CFR part 665 form the basis for this collection of information. PIR requests information from participants in the fisheries and interested persons. This information is needed for permit issuance, to identify participants in the fisheries, and to help measure impacts of management controls on the participants in the fisheries of the EEZ in the western Pacific.

II. Method of Collection

Paper submissions and telephone calls are required from participants. Methods of submittal include mailing

and facsimile transmission of paper forms.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0490.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations; individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 187.

Estimated Time Per Response: Experimental permit applications, 2 hours; all other permit applications, 30 minutes; and permit appeals, 2 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 85.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$450.

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 shall 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; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through 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 this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: April 11, 2006.

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Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration****Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Coastal Ocean Program Grants Proposal Application Package**

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Abstract**

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's Coastal Ocean Program (COP) provides direct financial assistance through grants and cooperative agreements for research supporting the management of coastal ecosystems. In addition to standard government application requirements, applicants for financial assistance are required to submit a project summary form. Recipients are required to file annual progress reports and a project final report using COP formats. All of these requirements are needed for better evaluation of proposals and monitoring of awards.

II. Method of Collection

Paper and electronic applications are acceptable. Progress reports can be submitted in paper form or electronically.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0384.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions; business or other for-profit organizations; State, Local or Tribal Government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 300.

Estimated Time Per Response: 30 minutes for a project summary; 5 hours for an annual report; and 10 hours for a final report.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 900.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: 0.