

Internet sources, and U.S. Census data. Internet surveys and in-person interviews with key informants, as determined by initial secondary data and analysis, will be utilized to obtain information from original sources to develop the broadest scope of information possible.

III. Data

OMB Number: None.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; not-for-profit institutions; State or Local government, Federal government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 496 (8 individuals for each of the 62 WRAs in the state of Washington).

Estimated Time per Response: 20 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 165.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to 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 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: May 16, 2007.

Gwellnar Banks,

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; Southwest Region Logbook Family of Forms

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce.

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 July 23, 2007.

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 Trisha Culver, 562-980-4239 or trisha.culver@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The owners of vessels that fish out of West Coast ports for highly migratory species such as tuna, billfish and sharks are required to submit information about their fishing activities so that the National Marine Fisheries Service and the Pacific Fishery Management Council will be able to monitor the fisheries and determine the effects and effectiveness of the Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for U.S. West Coast Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species (HMS).

The catch and effort statistics from logbooks are essential for evaluating if the objectives of the FMP are being achieved and for evaluating the impacts of potential changes in management to respond to new information or new problems in the fisheries. The use of vessel monitoring system units will facilitate enforcement of closures associated with the longline fishery.

II. Method of Collection

Paper logbooks and electronic reports are required from participants.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0498.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.
Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions; and business or other for-profits organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 907.

Estimated Time per Response: 5 minutes for logbooks; 24 seconds for VMS automated position report; 4 hours to install a VMS; and 2 hours per year to maintain a VMS.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 3,036.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$1,621 (recordkeeping/reporting costs).

IV. Request for Comments

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Southeast Region Dealer and Interview Family of Forms

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce.

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 July 23, 2007.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Steve Turner, (305)361-4482 or Steve.Turner@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Fishery quotas are established for many species in the fishery management plans developed by both the Gulf of Mexico Reef Fish Fishery Management Council and the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council. The Southeast Fisheries Science Center (SFSC) has been delegated the responsibility to monitor these quotas. To do so in a timely manner, seafood dealers that handle these species are required to report the purchases (landings) of these species. The frequency of these reporting requirements varies depending on the magnitude of the quota (*i.e.*, lower quota usually require more frequent reporting) and the intensity of fishing effort. The most common reporting frequency is twice a month; however, some fishery quotas, *e.g.*, the mackerel gill net, necessitates weekly or by the trip.

In addition, information collection included in this family of forms includes interviews with fishermen to gather information on the fishing effort, location and type of gear used on individual trips. This data collection is conducted for a subsample of the fishing trips and vessel/trips in selected commercial fisheries in the Southeast region. The fishing trips and individuals are selected at random to provide a viable statistical sample. These data are used for scientific analyses that support critical conservation and management decisions made by national and international fishery management organizations.

II. Method of Collection

The SFSC will provide a reporting form to each dealer selected to report the minimum information necessary to

monitor the quota(s). This form must be faxed or sent as an e-mail attachment to the SFSC within 5 business days of the end of each reporting period. For dealers that do not have a rapid fax machine or access to e-mail, pre-addressed, pre-paid envelopes will be provided. Fishery biologists that are located at strategic fishing ports throughout the Southeast Region (North Carolina through Texas) intercept fishermen as they are unloading their catch and interview them.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0013.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Business and other for-profit organizations (seafood dealers and fishermen).

Estimated Number of Respondents: 13,795.

Estimated Time per Response: Fifteen minutes for a dealer report in the golden crab, rock shrimp and Puerto Rican prohibited coral dealers; 5 minutes to fax or mail a dealer report; 5 minutes for a dealer quota monitoring report in the Coastal Fisheries and mackerel fisheries; 5 minutes for an annual vessel interview; 10 minutes for other interviews; 10 minutes for a dealer and vessel report in the eastern Gulf of Mexico runaround gill mackerel fishery; and 5 minutes for a wreckfish dealer report.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,838.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0.

IV. Request for Comments

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; An Observer Program for At-Sea Processing Vessels in the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce.

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.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Jonathan Cusick, (360) 332-2793 or Jonathan.Cusick@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The National Marine Fisheries Service's At-Sea Hake Observer Program defines observer duties, trains and debriefs observers, and manages data and release. The observers, deployed aboard at-sea processing vessels in the U.S. West Coast hake (a.k.a. whiting) fishery, are hired by observer providers who contract with the at-sea processors to provide the required observer coverage (50 CFR part 660). This data collection relates to the response time for observer providers and observers to register for training, debriefing or to respond to suspension or decertification.