

- an agency cannot capture reliable fingerprints. This section also specifies a mandatory asymmetric card authentication key as part of PIV logical credentials and adds an optional On-card biometric comparison as a means of performing card activation and PIV authentication mechanism. The section includes hooks for additional keys if they are needed for secure messaging. In addition, NIST proposes that specific key references and their use will be defined in a future special publication.
- Section 4.1.7.1 is *modified* to allow a PIN or equivalent verification data (e.g., biometric data) to activate a PIV Card to perform privileged operations. The requirement that all PIV System cryptographic modules be tested and validated to FIPS 140–2 Security Level 2 (logical) or Security Level 3 (physical) is not changed.
 - Section 4.3 is *modified* to make the NACI Indicator optional and to deprecate its use. The NACI Indicator originally was included in the PIV Authentication Certificate to inform relying systems that the background investigation had not been completed before issuing the PIV Card. Since the issuance of FIPS 201–1, timely completion of background investigations has improved, online status checking services are now available, OPM requirements for background investigations have been revised, and OMB reporting requirements are in place. These improvements provide sufficient controls to make the need for storing NACI Indicator on the PIV Card optional and to deprecate its use.
 - Section 4.3 is *modified* to add an option to include country(ies) of citizenship of Foreign Nationals in the PIV Authentication Certificate. This change reflects the desirability of electronically reading the affiliation of Foreign Nationals.
 - Section 4.5.3 is *added* to allow a possible future inclusion of an optional ISO/IEC 24727 profile that enables middleware a degree of independence from credential interfaces and vice versa and thus provides adaptability and resilience to PIV card evolution.
 - Sections 6.2.2, 6.2.3.1, and 6.2.3.2 are *modified* to remove the qualifier “(Optional)” from the requirement for signature verification and certificate path validation in the CHUID, BIO, and BIO–A authentication mechanisms. These signature verification and path validation functions would be mandatory under FIPS 201–2 to achieve the

authentication assurance confidence levels shown in Tables 6–2 and 6–3.

- Section 6.2.5 and 6.2.6 are *added* to provide authentication mechanisms based on optional PIV data elements. Specifically, an On-card biometric comparison authentication mechanism is added in Section 6.2.5 and a symmetric card authentication key authentication mechanism is added in Section 6.2.6.
- Appendix A is *removed*.

FIPS 201–1 and Draft FIPS 201–2 are available electronically from the NIST Web site at: <http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/fips/index/html>.

NIST will hold a public workshop on Draft FIPS 201–2 on Monday and Tuesday, April 18 and 19, 2011 at NIST in Gaithersburg, Maryland. The workshop may also be attended remotely via webcast. The agenda, webcast and related information for the public workshop will be available before the workshop on the NIST Computer Security Resource Center Web site at <http://csrc.nist.gov>. This workshop is not being held in anticipation of a procurement activity. Anyone wishing to attend the workshop in person, must pre-register at <http://www.nist.gov/allvents.cfm> by close of business Monday, April 11, 2011, in order to enter the NIST facility and attend the workshop. In accordance with the Information Technology Management Reform Act of 1996 (Pub. L. 104–106) and the Federal Information Security Management Act of 2002 (FISMA) (Pub. L. 107–347), the Secretary of Commerce is authorized to approve Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS). Homeland Security Presidential Directive (HSPD) 12, entitled “Policy for a Common Identification Standard for Federal Employees and Contractors”, dated August 27, 2004, directed the Secretary of Commerce to promulgate, by February 27, 2005, “ * * * a Federal standard for secure and reliable forms of identification (the ‘Standard’) * * * ,” and further directed that the Secretary of Commerce “shall periodically review the Standard and update the Standard as appropriate in consultation with the affected agencies.”

E.O. 12866: This notice has been determined not to be significant for purposes of E.O. 12866.

Dated: February 17, 2011.

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Acting Associate Director for Laboratory Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Marianas Trench Marine National Monument Knowledge and Attitudes Survey

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), 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 May 9, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 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 Dr. Stewart Allen, (808) 944–2186 or Stewart.Allen@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

President George W. Bush established the Marianas Trench Marine National Monument (Monument) on January 6, 2009, by Presidential Proclamation 8335. The monument includes approximately 95,216 square miles within three units in the Mariana Archipelago. The Mariana Trench Unit is almost 1,100 miles long and 44 miles wide and includes only the submerged lands. The Volcanic Unit consists of submerged lands around 21 undersea mud volcanoes and thermal vents along the Mariana Arc. The Islands Unit includes only the waters and submerged lands of the three northernmost Mariana Islands: Farallon de Pajaros or Uracas; Maug; and Asuncion, below the mean low water line. Within the Islands Unit of the monument, commercial fishing is prohibited but sustenance, recreational, and traditional indigenous fishing can be allowed on a sustainable basis.

The Secretary of the Interior has management responsibility for the monument, in consultation with the Secretary of Commerce who, through

the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), has primary responsibility for managing fishery-related activities. These agencies are required to consult with the Secretary of Defense, the United States (U.S.) Coast Guard, and the Government of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in managing the monument. A subsequent Secretary of the Interior action on January 16, 2009, delegated management responsibilities for the monument to the Fish and Wildlife Service through, and placed two of the units (the Mariana Trench and Volcanic Units) within, the National Wildlife Refuge System as the Mariana Trench and Mariana Arc of Fire National Wildlife Refuges.

Management activities are anticipated to include public education programs and public outreach regarding the coral reef ecosystem and related marine resources and species of the monument and efforts to conserve them; traditional access by indigenous persons, for culturally significant subsistence, cultural and religious uses within the monument; a program to assess and promote monument-related scientific exploration and research, tourism, and recreational and economic activities and opportunities in the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI); a process to consider requests for recreational fishing permits in certain areas of the Islands Unit, based on an analysis of the likely effects of such fishing on the marine ecosystems of these areas, sound professional judgment that such fishing will not materially interfere with or detract from the fulfillment of the purposes of this proclamation, and the extent to which such recreational fishing shall be managed as a sustainable activity; programs for monitoring and enforcement necessary to ensure that scientific exploration and research, tourism, and recreational and commercial activities do not degrade the monument's coral reef ecosystem or related marine resources or species or diminish the monument's natural character.

The Human Dimensions Research Program at NOAA Fisheries Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center is initiating a survey to support development of a management plan for the Monument. Designation of the Monument was accompanied by social debate over the merits of designation, the economic benefits, increased Federal management in the archipelago, the impacts to fishermen and fishing communities, and other effects. Now that the Monument has been established and management planning is beginning,

there is a need for research to define CNMI and Guam residents' management preferences and perceptions of effects so this information is available to managers as they develop and begin to implement the plan. The survey contains questions on awareness, knowledge, and attitudes regarding the Monument, preferences for management and scientific research, and level of interest in becoming involved in Monument management and outreach activities. Additional questions include experiences with and attitudes toward existing uses of coastal and marine resources, to provide a context for interpreting responses regarding the Monument.

II. Method of Collection

Data will be collected through a telephone survey of a random sample of adult members of Guam and CNMI households.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: None.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 800.

Estimated Time per Response: 20 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 267.

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: March 3, 2011.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[0648-XA239]

Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions; General Provisions for Domestic Fisheries; Application for Exempted Fishing Permit

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

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Assistant Regional Administrator for Sustainable Fisheries, Northeast Region, NMFS, has made a preliminary determination that the subject exempted fishing permit (EFP) application contains all the required information and warrants further consideration. The subject EFP would allow commercial fishing vessels to conduct fishing operations that are otherwise restricted by the regulations governing the fisheries of the Northeastern United States. Regulations under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act require publication of this notification to provide interested parties the opportunity to comment on applications for proposed EFPs.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 23, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted by e-mail to NERO.EFP@noaa.gov. Written comments should be sent to Patricia A. Kurkul, Regional Administrator, NMFS, Northeast Regional Office, 55 Great Republic Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930. Mark the outside of the envelope "Comments on the REDNET EFP." Comments may also be sent via facsimile (fax) to (978) 281-9135.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Travis Ford, Fishery Management Specialist, (978) 281-9233, fax (978) 281-9135.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR) has submitted an EFP application for five vessels participating in a study titled, "REDNET: A Network to Redevelop a Sustainable Redfish (*Sebastes fasciatus*) Trawl Fishery in the Gulf of Maine (GOM)". This project is funded by the Northeast Fisheries Science Center's (NEFSC) Cooperative Research Program. The primary objective of this study is to devise strategies and means to efficiently harvest the redfish resource in the Gulf of Maine (GOM) while avoiding non-