

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration****Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; California Recreational Groundfish 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 August 26, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Office, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at Jjessup@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Rosemary Kosaka, (831) 420-3988 or Rosemary.Kosaka@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Abstract**

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) plans to collect data to increase the agency's understanding of California saltwater angler preferences relative to Pacific groundfish. Pacific groundfish caught in California's recreational fishery include about 17 species of rockfish, as well as lingcod, cabezon, and California scorpionfish. The number and diversity of species caught in this fishery poses a regulatory challenge for State and Federal fisheries managers. Information to be collected pertains to anglers' recreational saltwater fishing activities in California (including groundfish); their attitudes and preferences regarding particular groundfish species and groundfish regulations; and angler demographics. The data collected will provide NMFS, as well as state agency partners such as the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW), with information useful for understanding current groundfish fishing behavior and possible responses to potential regulatory changes.

II. Method of Collection

A random sample of recreational anglers who target groundfish in California will be asked to complete a voluntary mail-based survey questionnaire.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: None.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission (request for a new information collection).

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,500.

Estimated Time per Response: 25 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 625.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited regarding: (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: June 20, 2013.

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Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration****Science Advisory Board (SAB)**

AGENCY: Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: The Science Advisory Board (SAB) was established by a Decision Memorandum dated September 25, 1997, and is the only Federal Advisory Committee with responsibility to advise the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere on strategies for research, education, and application of science to operations and information services. SAB activities and advice provide necessary input to ensure that National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) science programs are of the highest quality and provide optimal support to resource management.

Time and Date: The meeting will be held Tuesday, July 23, 2013 from 2:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. EDT and Wednesday, July 24, 2013 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:05 p.m. EDT. These times and the agenda topics described below are subject to change. Please refer to the Web page <http://www.sab.noaa.gov/Meetings/meetings.html> for the most up-to-date meeting agenda.

Place: Conference call. Public access is available at 1315 East-West Highway, Room 11836 in Silver Spring, MD. Please check the SAB Web site <http://www.sab.noaa.gov/Meetings/meetings.html> for address and directions to the meeting location. Members of the public will not be able to dial in to this meeting.

Status: The meeting will be open to public participation with a 10 minute public comment period on July 24 from 1:05-1:15 p.m. (check Web site to confirm time). The SAB expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted verbal or written statements. In general, each individual or group making a verbal presentation will be limited to a total time of two (2) minutes. Individuals or groups planning to make a verbal presentation should contact the SAB Executive Director by July 17, 2013 to schedule their presentation. Written comments should be received in the SAB Executive Director's Office by July 17, 2013 to provide sufficient time for SAB review. Written comments received by the SAB Executive Director after July 17, 2013 will be distributed to the SAB, but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting date. Seating at the meeting will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Special Accommodations: These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for special accommodations may be directed no later than 12 p.m. on July 17, 2013, to Dr. Cynthia Decker, SAB Executive Director, SSMC3, Room