

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Institute of Standards and Technology****Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

*Agency:* National Institute of Standards and Technology.

*Title:* Baldrige Executive Fellows Program.

*OMB Control Number:* 0693-0076.

*Form Number(s):* None.

*Type of Request:* Regular submission (revision and extension of a currently approved information collection).

*Number of Respondents:* 24 per year.

*Average Hours per Response:* 1 hour.

*Burden Hours:* 24 hours.

*Needs and Uses:* Collection needed to obtain information to select applicants for the Baldrige Performance Excellence Program.

*Affected Public:* Business, health care, education, or other for-profit organizations; health care, education, and other non-profit organizations; and individuals.

*Frequency:* Annual.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

This information collection request may be viewed at [reginfo.gov](http://reginfo.gov). Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to [OIRA\\_Submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov) or fax to (202) 395-5806.

**Sheleen Dumas,**

*Departmental Lead PRA Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Commerce Department.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Institute of Standards and Technology****Workshop on Computational Models for Large Outdoor Fires**

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** NIST announces a workshop on Computational Models for Large

Outdoor Fires to be held on Monday, March 04, 2019 to Tuesday, March 05, 2019. The workshop will be open to the public with portions available via web broadcasting. At this workshop, the attendees will discuss the current state of measurement science gaps in implementing computational tools to model large scale outdoor fires, such as those found in the Wildland and Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) communities.

**DATES:** The workshop on Computational Models for Large Outdoor Fires will be held on Monday, March 04, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, and Tuesday, March 05, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time. Please arrive at the NIST campus by 8:30 a.m. Eastern Time on both days. Attendees must register by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday, February 25, 2019. Please note that the exact times are subject to change.

**ADDRESSES:** The workshop will be held in the West Square room of Building 101 at the National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899. For registration instructions refer to the meeting website: <https://www.nist.gov/news-events/events/2019/03/computational-models-large-outdoor-fires-workshop>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Nelson Bryner, Engineering Laboratory, NIST, 100 Bureau Drive, Stop 8662, Gaithersburg, MD 20899-8662, Telephone: (301) 975-6868, Email address: [nelson.bryner@nist.gov](mailto:nelson.bryner@nist.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** NIST announces a workshop on Computational Models for Large Outdoor Fires to be held on Monday, March 04, 2019 to Tuesday, March 05, 2019. The workshop will be open to the public and portions will be available via web broadcasting. At this workshop, the attendees will discuss the current state of measurement science gaps in implementing computational tools to model large scale outdoor fires, such as those found in the Wildland and Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI) communities.

The workshop agenda is expected to include the following discussion items:

- High-performance computing applied to outdoor fire modeling,
- incorporating micro- and macro-scale weather data,
- incorporating topography and terrain features,
- ember ignition physics,
- winddriven fire spread,
- large-scale prescribed burn experiments, and
- wind-tunnel experiments.

Note that the agenda may change without notice. Seating will be available for the public on a first-come, first-served basis and will be limited to 40 attendees. Portions of the workshop will be available via web broadcasting. Pre-registration is required to attend this workshop both in person and online. The final agenda, web broadcasting instructions, and other administrative information will be posted on the meeting website: <https://www.nist.gov/news-events/events/2019/03/computational-models-large-outdoor-fires-workshop>.

All visitors to the NIST site are required to pre-register to be admitted. Please submit your name, time of arrival, email address and phone number to Karen Startzman by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, February 26, 2019. Non-U.S. citizens must submit additional information; please contact Karen Startzman. Ms. Startzman's email address is [Karen.Startzman@nist.gov](mailto:Karen.Startzman@nist.gov) and her phone number is 301-975-6602. For participants attending in person, please note that federal agencies, including NIST, can only accept a state-issued driver's license or identification card for access to federal facilities if such license or identification card is issued by a state that is compliant with the REAL ID Act of 2005 (Pub. L. 109-13), or by a state that has an extension for REAL ID compliance. NIST currently accepts other forms of federal-issued identification in lieu of a state-issued driver's license. For detailed information please contact Karen Startzman at [Karen.Startzman@nist.gov](mailto:Karen.Startzman@nist.gov) or visit: [http://nist.gov/public\\_affairs/visitor/](http://nist.gov/public_affairs/visitor/).

**Authority:** 15 U.S.C. 278f.

**Kevin A. Kimball,**

*Chief of Staff.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Institute of Standards and Technology****Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; NIST Entrance on Duty (EOD) System**

**AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology, 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 February 1, 2019.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the internet at [PRAComments@doc.gov](mailto:PRAComments@doc.gov)).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Kellie Beall, NIST, 100 Bureau Drive, Gaithersburg, MD 20899, (301) 975-5643, [kbeall@nist.gov](mailto:kbeall@nist.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Abstract**

In an effort to streamline processes onboarding new employees and associates, the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is preparing to establish a new electronic based EOD (Enter on Duty) System to include automation of all of the necessary steps between applicant selection and reporting for duty, including completion of pre-employment and orientation paperwork by entering information through the EOD system. This EOD solution is intended to increase the efficiency with which new employees are hired by automating the provisioning process and alerting individuals as tasks are completed. The system will utilize an upfront information collection instrument which will subsequently populate information collection instrument(s) required of the incoming Federal employees and NIST Associates. Information requested will include personal identifying data including home address, date and place of birth, employer name and address, and basic security information. Once populated, the individual will be required to validate the information.

**II. Method of Collection**

Prior to entering on duty with NIST as a federal employee or associate, each new entrant will receive a communication from NIST requesting that he/she log in to the EOD system and verify/complete their personnel data. The communication will provide the relevant link and login information to the web based NIST EOD System.

The new entrant will log in to the EOD system and, based on the new entrant's federal employment or NIST associate category, will be presented with instructions and information

regarding the data they will be required to supply. This initial information collection will then populate other required information collections which will be validated and electronically signed by the new entrant.

**III. Data**

*OMB Control Number:* New Collection. 0693-XXXX.

*Form Number(s):* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.

*Affected Public:* Individuals seeking employment with NIST.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* NIST estimates 4,300 new federal employees and NIST associates will be processed per year.

*Estimated Time per Response:* It is estimated that it will take 40 minutes to complete the data collection.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 4,300 × 40 minutes per responses = 2,866 burden hours.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* There is no cost to the respondent.

**IV. Request for Comments**

NIST invites comments 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; 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.

**Sheleen Dumas,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**RIN 0648-XG642**

**Fishing Capacity Reduction Program for the Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Salmon Fishery**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of eligible voters; referendum voting period.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS issues this notice to inform persons of their eligibility to vote and the voting period for the proposed second fishing capacity reduction program loan in the Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Salmon Fishery. This notice informs the public of the permanent permit holders eligible to vote in the referendum. The referendum, if approved, will result in a loan of \$10.1 million and permanently retire an additional 36 permits from the fishery.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before 5 p.m. EST January 2, 2019. The referendum voting period will start January 15, 2019 and end on February 14, 2019. Any votes not received by NMFS by 5 p.m. on February 14, 2019, will not be counted.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments about this notice to Michael A. Sturtevant, Acting Chief, Financial Services Division, NMFS, Attn: SE Alaska Purse Seine Salmon Buyback, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Elaine Saiz at (301) 427-8752, fax (301) 713-1306, or [elaine.saiz@noaa.gov](mailto:elaine.saiz@noaa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Background**

The Southeast Alaska purse seine salmon fishery is a commercial fishery in Alaska state waters and adjacent Federal waters. It encompasses the commercial taking of salmon with purse seine gear, and participation is limited to fishermen designated by the Alaska Commercial Fisheries Entry Commission (CFEC). Congress authorized a \$23.5 million loan to finance a fishing capacity reduction program in the Southeast Alaska purse seine salmon fishery. NMFS published proposed program regulations on May 23, 2011 (76 FR 29707), and final program regulations on October 6, 2011 (76 FR 61986), to implement the reduction program. Interested persons should review these for further program details.