

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Management Track Assessment for Georges Bank Atlantic Cod and Gulf of Maine Atlantic Cod

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: NMFS and the Assessment Oversight Panel (AOP) will convene the Management Track Assessment Peer Review Meeting for the purpose of reviewing both Georges Bank and Gulf of Maine Atlantic cod stocks. The Management Track Assessment Peer Review is a formal scientific peer-review process for evaluating and

presenting stock assessment results to managers for fish stocks in the offshore U.S. waters of the northwest Atlantic. Assessments are prepared by the lead stock assessment analyst and reviewed by an independent panel of stock assessment experts called the AOP. The public is invited to attend the presentations and discussions between the review panel and the scientists who have participated in the stock assessment process.

DATES: The public portion of the Management Track Assessment Peer Review Meeting will be held from September 13, 2021—September 15, 2021. The meeting will conclude on September 15, 2021 at 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time. Please see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for the daily meeting agenda.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held via Google Meet (<https://meet.google.com/bqy-awcd-kqv>).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michele Traver, phone: 508–495–2195; email: michele.traver@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: For further information, please visit the Northeast Fisheries Science Center (NEFSC) website at <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/new-england-mid-atlantic/population-assessments/fishery-stock-assessments-new-england-and-mid-atlantic>. For additional information about the AOP meeting and the stock assessment peer review, please visit the NMFS/NEFSC web page at <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/new-england-mid-atlantic/population-assessments/management-track-stock-assessments>.

Daily Meeting Agenda—Management Track Peer Review Meeting

The agenda is subject to change; all times are approximate and may be changed at the discretion of the Peer Review Chair.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2021

Time	Activity	Lead
10 a.m.–9:15 a.m	Welcome/Logistics/Introductions/Process	Russ Brown/Michele Traver.
10:15 a.m.–10:30 a.m	Background/AOP Review	Russ Brown.
10:30 a.m.–11:45 a.m	Gulf of Maine Cod	Charles Perretti.
11:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m	Discussion/Review/Summary	Review Panel.
12:15 p.m.–12:30 p.m	Public Comment	Public.
12:30 p.m.–1:30 p.m	Lunch.	
1:30 p.m.–3 p.m	Gulf of Maine Cod cont.	Charles Perretti.
3 p.m.–3:15 p.m	Break.	
3:15 p.m.–3:45 p.m	Gulf of Maine Cod cont.	Charles Perretti.
3:45 p.m.–4:15 p.m	Discussion/Review/Summary	Review Panel.
4:15 p.m.–4:30 p.m	Public Comment	Public.
4:30 p.m	Adjourn.	

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 14, 2021

Time	Activity	Lead
9 a.m.–9:15 a.m	Brief Overview and Logistics	Michele Traver/Richard Merrick (Chair).
9:15 a.m.–10:30 a.m	Georges Bank Cod	Kathy Sosebee.
10:30 a.m.–10:45 a.m	Break.	
10:45 a.m.–11:45 a.m	Georges Bank Cod cont.	Kathy Sosebee.
11:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m	Discussion/Review/Summary	Review Panel.
12:15 p.m.–12:30 p.m	Public Comment	Public.
12:30 p.m.–1:30 p.m	Lunch.	
1:30 p.m.–2 p.m	Key Points/Wrap Up	Review Panel.
2 p.m.–4:30 p.m	Report Writing	Review Panel.
4:30 p.m	Adjourn.	

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2021

Time	Activity	Lead
9 a.m.–4:30 p.m	Report Writing	Review Panel.
4:30 p.m	Adjourn.	

The meeting is open to the public; however, during the ‘Report Writing’ session on Tuesday, September 14th, and Wednesday, September 15th, the

public should not engage in discussion with the Peer Review Panel.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Special

requests should be directed to Michele Traver, via email.

Dated: September 10, 2021.

Jennifer M. Wallace,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Highly Migratory Species Permit Family of Forms

The Department of Commerce will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. We invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on June 8, 2021, (86 FR 30411) during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

Agency: National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

Title: Atlantic Highly Migratory Species Permit Family of Forms.

OMB Control Number: 0648-0327.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular submission [extension of a current information collection].

Number of Respondents: 34,803.

Average Hours per Response: Renewal applications for the following vessel permits—Atlantic Tunas, HMS Charter/Headboat, HMS Angling, and Swordfish General Commercial, 10 minutes; initial applications for the following vessel permits—Atlantic Tunas, HMS Charter/Headboat, HMS Angling, and Swordfish General Commercial, 34 minutes; One-time application for the IMO/LP number, 30 minutes.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 9,017.

Needs and Uses: This request is for the revision and extension of a current information collection. This collection is being revised to remove the Atlantic tuna dealer permits as this burden is

captured under OMB Control Number 0648-0202.

Under the provisions of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) is responsible for management of the Nation's marine fisheries. In addition, NMFS must comply with the United States' obligations under the Atlantic Tunas Convention Act of 1975 (16 U.S.C. 971 *et seq.*). NMFS issues permits to fishing vessels in order to collect information necessary to comply with domestic and international obligations, secure compliance with regulations, and disseminate necessary information.

Regulations at 50 CFR 635.4 require that vessels participating in commercial and recreational fisheries for Atlantic highly migratory species (HMS) obtain a Federal permit issued by NMFS. Vessel permits include Atlantic Tunas (except Longline permits, which are approved under PRA 0648-0205), HMS Charter/Headboat, HMS Angling, and Swordfish General Commercial permits. This action also includes the one-time requirement for commercial vessels greater than 20 meters in length to obtain an International Maritime Organization/Lloyd's Registry (IMO/LR) number.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations (commercial and for-hire vessel owners), Individuals or households (private recreational vessel owners).

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), and the Atlantic Tunas Convention Act of 1975 (16 U.S.C. 971 *et seq.*)

This information collection request may be viewed at www.reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view the Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting "Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function and

entering either the title of the collection or the OMB Control Number 0648-0327.

Sheleen Dumas,

Department PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Commerce Department.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Pacific Islands Region Permit Family of Forms

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

ACTION: Notice of information collection, request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment preceding submission of the collection to OMB.

DATES: To ensure consideration, comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before November 15, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments to Adrienne Thomas, NOAA PRA Officer, at Adrienne.thomas@noaa.gov. Please reference OMB Control Number 0648-0490 in the subject line of your comments. Do not submit Confidential Business Information or otherwise sensitive or protected information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or specific questions related to collection activities should be directed to Walter Ikehara, Fishery Information Specialist, National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), Pacific Islands Regional Office, 1845 Wasp Blvd., Bldg. 176, Honolulu, HI 96818, (808) 725-5175, walter.ikehara@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This request is for a revision to merge the permit application forms from two