requirement and upgrade restriction for all *Illex* limited access permits. This action is intended to control future increases in capacity. There are also alternatives to require a non-binding processing-type intent declaration (fresh, frozen, refrigerated sea water, etc.) when renewing limited access squid permits. The Council is planning on taking final action at its October 2023 Council meeting, so the Committee will develop recommendations on preferred alternatives.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aid should be directed to Shelley Spedden, (302) 526–5251, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date. Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.

Dated: August 29, 2023.

Rey Israel Marquez,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648-XD303]

North Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of a hybrid meeting.

SUMMARY: The North Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Partial Coverage Fishery Monitoring Advisory Committee (PCFMAC) will hold a meeting. See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION for agenda.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Thursday, September 14, 2023, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Alaska Time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be a hybrid meeting. For members attending in Seattle, the in-person component of the meeting will be held at the Alaska Fishery Science Center in room 2079, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, Building 4, Seattle, WA 98115, if you plan to attend in-person you need to notify Sara Cleaver (sara.cleaver@noaa.gov) at least two days prior to the meeting (or two weeks prior if you are a foreign national). You will also need a valid U.S. Identification Card. For members attending in Anchorage, the in-person

component of the meeting will be held at the North Pacific Fishery
Management Council office, 1007 W 3rd
Ave., Suite 400, Anchorage, AK 99501.
If you are attending virtually, join the meeting online through the link at https://meetings.npfmc.org/Meeting/Details/3007.

Council address: North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 1007 W 3rd Ave., Anchorage, AK 99501–2252; telephone: (907) 271–2809. Instructions for attending the meeting are given under SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION, below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sara Cleaver, Council staff; telephone: (907) 271–2809; email: sara.cleaver@noaa.gov. For technical support, please contact our administrative staff; email: npfmc.admin@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Agenda

Thursday, September 14, 2023

The PCFMAC agenda will include: (a) review draft 2024 ADP; (b) proposals on multiple observer provider options; (c) public comment; and (d) other issues and future scheduling. The agenda is subject to change, and the latest version will be posted at https://meetings.npfmc.org/Meeting/Details/3007 prior to the meeting, along with meeting materials.

Connection Information

You can attend the meeting online using a computer, tablet, or smartphone; or by phone only. Connection information will be posted online at: https://meetings.npfmc.org/Meeting/Details/3007.

Public Comment

Public comment letters should be submitted electronically via the electronic agenda at https://meetings.npfmc.org/Meeting/Details/3007.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.

Dated: August 29, 2023.

Rey Israel Marquez,

Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 2023–18983 Filed 8–31–23; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Vessel Monitoring System Requirements for the Pacific Islands Fisheries

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 comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: To ensure consideration, written or on-line comments must be submitted on or before October 31, 2023.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments to Adrienne Thomas, NOAA PRA Officer, at NOAA.PRA@noaa.gov. Please reference OMB Control Number 0648—0441 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 copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Walter Ikehara, Fishery Information Specialist, 1845 Wasp Boulevard, Building 176, Honolulu, HI 96818; (808) 725–5175; or walter.ikehara@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This request is for extension of a currently approved information collection. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Fisheries, Pacific Islands Region, and the NOAA Office of Law Enforcement (OLE), Pacific Islands Division, collect vessel tracking information through a Vessel Monitoring System (VMS). The authority for this collection is specified at 50 CFR 665.19.

As part of fishery ecosystem plans developed under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, owners of commercial fishing vessels in the Hawaii pelagic longline fishery, American Samoa pelagic longline fishery (only vessels longer than 50 feet), Northwestern Hawaiian Islands lobster fishery (currently inactive), and

Northern Mariana Islands bottomfish fishery (only vessels longer than 40 feet) must allow NOAA to install VMS units on their vessels when directed by OLE personnel. VMS units automatically send periodic reports on the position of the vessel to OLE. NOAA uses the reports to monitor the vessel's location and activities, primarily to enforce regulated fishing areas. NOAA pays for all costs related to the VMS systems for the aforementioned fisheries. There is no public burden for the automatic messaging; however, VMS installation and maintenance are considered public burden.

Aside from updates to the burden estimates, there are no changes to the collection.

II. Method of Collection

Automatic electronic submission via satellite.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0648–0441. Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission (extension of a current information collection).

Affected Public: Business or other forprofit organizations; individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 69.

Estimated Time per Response: 4 hours for installation of a VMS unit; 2 hours for VMS unit replacement, and 1.5 hours for annual maintenance.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 131.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0 in VMS system installation and maintenance, recordkeeping, or reporting costs.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory. Legal Authority: 50 CFR 665.19.

IV. Request for Comments

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department/Bureau to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) Evaluate ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of

public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Sheleen Dumas,

Department PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, Commerce Department.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Adjustment of Fees for Seafood Inspection Services

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

ACTION: Notice of fee schedule for seafood inspection services.

SUMMARY: The NMFS Seafood Inspection Program is notifying program participants that its fee schedule for fiscal year 2024 will remain as established on November 1, 2022.

DATES: The fee schedule applies to services rendered as of October 1, 2023, until notified otherwise.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Steven Wilson, Office of International Affairs, Trade, and Commerce, 301–427–8350 or at steven.wilson@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The

National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) operates a fee-for-service Seafood Inspection Program (Program) under the authorities of the Agricultural Marketing Act of 1946, as amended, the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956, and the Reorganization Plan No. 4 of 1970. The regulations implementing the Program are contained in 50 CFR parts 260 and 261. The Program offers inspection, grading, and certification services, including the use of official quality grade marks which indicate that specific products have been federally inspected. Those wishing to participate in the program must request the services and

submit specific compliance information. Since 1992, NMFS implemented inspection services based on guidelines recommended by the National Academy of Sciences, known as Hazard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP).

Under the implementing regulations for the Program, fees are reviewed at least annually to ascertain that the hourly fees charged are adequate to recover the costs of the services rendered. Any necessary adjustments to fees are made in accordance with the requirements of 50 CFR 260.81 and are notified to program participants as stipulated at 50 CFR 260.70. This Federal Register notice serves to inform program participants of the fee schedule, which remains unchanged.

Seafood Inspection Program (SIP) costs used for the calculation of user fees include all relevant direct and indirect costs to the program, and applicable administrative overhead and surcharges. SIP fees must be set to promote full cost recovery of the program absent other appropriations.

Program costs include all field operations, program administrative overhead, and management, and include expenses for labor for inspectors, facilities, information technology infrastructure, and other operational costs. SIP fees are set to recover those costs based on revenue projections from expected billable service hours and the number of certificates requests. Forecasts of demand for services use historical data on actual billed services that are adjusted annually for inflation, known events that might affect the predicted output of billable services, and seasonality of when forecasted services will take place throughout the

NMFS will assess its fees as outlined in this notice, which will apply until notified otherwise. Fees will be charged to contract and non-contract customers requesting services as listed below. The cost of other applicable services rendered will be recovered through fee collection using the base rate of \$238 per hour.

Fees and Charges for the U.S. Department of Commerce (USDC) Seafood Inspection Program

The per hour fees and charges for fishery products inspection services are not being revised and will remain as established on November 1, 2022 for Fiscal Year 2024 and will be assessed as follows. Any travel associated with a billable service will be an additional charge.