DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Hydrographic Services Review Panel Meeting

AGENCY: National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Hydrographic Services Review Panel (HSRP) is a Federal Advisory Committee established to advise the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, the NOAA Administrator, on matters related to the responsibilities and authorities set forth in section 303 of the Hydrographic Services Improvement Act of 1998, as amended, and such other appropriate matters that the Under Secretary refers to the Panel for review and advice.

DATE AND TIME: The public meeting will be held from September 16–18, 2015, September 16, 10:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.; September 17, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.; and September 18, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. All meetings times are EDT.

LOCATION: Silver Spring, MD, with the meeting location to be posted online at the Web site below. Please refer to the following Web site for updates on the location, agenda, presentations, speaker’s biographies, and Web conferencing service sign up: http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/ocs/hsrp/meetings.htm and http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/ocs/hsrp/meetings_washingtondc.htm.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Visit the NOAA HSRP Web site at http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/ocs/hsrp.htm, or contact Lynne Mersfelder-Lewis, HSRP Program Manager, National Ocean Service (NOS), Office of Coast Survey, NOAA (N/NSD), 1315 East West Highway, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910; Telephone: 301–713–2702 ext. 199; Email: lynne.mersfelder@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will be open to the public and public comment periods (on-site) will be scheduled at various times throughout the meeting. Public comment periods will be included in the draft and final agendas posted on the HSRP Web site listed above and written comments are welcome in advance. Each individual or group making verbal comments will be limited to a total time of five (5) minutes. Comments will be recorded. Advance written comments should be submitted to Lynne.Mersfelder@noaa.gov by September 4, 2015. Public seating will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. This meeting is accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Lynne.Mersfelder@noaa.gov by September 4, 2015. The HSRP meeting will provide Web conferencing service and teleconference capability for access to listen and observe the meeting presentations. Members of the public who wish to participate virtually must register at least a day in advance by September 15, 2015. The meeting times, topics, and speakers are subject to change. For updated information and to register for the Web conferencing service, please refer to http://nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/ocs/hsrp/hsrp.htm.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: National and Federal partners and stakeholders will present to the HSRP on issues relevant to NOAA’s navigation services. Navigation services includes the data, products, and services provided by the NOAA programs and activities which undertake geodetic observations, gravity modeling, shoreline mapping, bathymetric mapping, hydrographic surveying, nautical charting, tide and water level observations, current observations, and marine modeling. This suite of geospatial data, products and services support safe and efficient navigation, resilient coasts and communities, and the nationwide positioning information infrastructure to build America for the future.

The Panel will hear from Federal agencies and non-Federal associations about their mission or business uses for NOAA’s navigation services. The Panel will consider input from these discussions to develop recommendations for the NOAA Under Secretary to improve NOAA’s navigation services.

Dated: August 4, 2015.
Supriya Kumar,
Acting Director, Subsidies Enforcement Office, Enforcement and Compliance.

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Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Surfclam/Ocean Quahog Individual Transferable Quota Administration.

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 October 9, 2015.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Douglas Potts, (978) 281–9941 or Douglas.Potts@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This request is for an extension of a currently approved collection associated with the Atlantic surfclam and ocean quahog fisheries. National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Greater Atlantic Region manages these fisheries in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) of the Northeastern United States through the Atlantic Surfclam and Ocean Quahog Fishery Management Plan (FMP). The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council prepared the FMP pursuant to the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act). The regulations implementing the FMP are specified at 50 CFR part 648 subpart E.

Dated: July 31, 2015.
Rear Admiral Gerd F. Glang.
Director, Office of Coast Survey, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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