DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

National Agricultural Statistics Service
Notice of the Intent To Request To Conduct a New Information Collection

AGENCY: National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the intention of the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) to seek approval to conduct a new information collection to gather data related to the production and marketing of foods directly from farm producers to consumers or retailers. In addition, NASS will collect some whole- farm data to be used to classify and group operations for summarizing and publication of results.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: R. Renee Picanso, Associate Administrator, National Agricultural Statistics Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, (202) 720–2707. Copies of this information collection and related instructions can be obtained without charge from David Hancock, NASS-OMB Clearance Officer, at (202) 690–2388 or at omboffice@nass.usda.gov.

Correction

In the Federal Register of October 26, 2015 in FR Doc. 2015–27139 on page 65196, in the SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION, para 5, the Estimate of Burden section, read as follows:

Estimate of Burden: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 30 minutes per response. NASS plans to mail out publicity materials with the questionnaires to inform producers of the importance of this survey. NASS will also use multiple mailings, followed up with phone and limited personal enumeration to increase response rates and to minimize data collection costs. The sample will consist of farm operators believed to market their products directly to consumers or retailers. These operators will be drawn from two sources: (1) NASS’s list of farm operators, and (2) farm operators obtained from publically available sources, including those obtained from web harvesting.

Respondents: Farmers and Ranchers.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 56,000.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 29,000 hours.

Yvette Anderson,
Federal Register Liaison Officer for AHS, ERS, and NASS.

Dated: November 18, 2015.
Audrey Rowe,
Administrator, Food and Nutrition Service.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice: public meeting via webinar.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a public meeting of its Law Enforcement Advisory Panel (LEAP) via webinar.

DATES: The meeting/webinar will be held Monday, December 14, 2015, beginning at 1 p.m. EST and concluding by 3 p.m. EST.

ADDRESSES: The public documents can be obtained by contacting the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council at (813) 348–1630 or on their Web site at www.gulfcouncil.org.

Meeting address: The meeting will be held via webinar. You may register to participate at: https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/15967474404175850881.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 N. Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Steven Atran, Senior Fishery Biologist, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 348–1630; fax: (813) 348–1711; email: steven.atran@gulfcouncil.org.
Supplementary Information: The agenda for the meeting is as follows: The meeting will begin with adoption of agenda and review of scope of work. The Advisory Panel (AP) will discuss the ability of state enforcement agencies to provide background checks on advisory panel applicants for fishery violations in state waters involving federally managed stocks. The AP will also review the procedure for selecting candidates for the new Officer of the Year Program, and will discuss LEAP Representatives duties during council meetings. Lastly, any Other Business items, if any, may be discussed.

Special Accommodations Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to Kathy Pereira (see addresses), at least 5 working days prior to the meeting date.


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

For further information contact: Julia Byrd, SEDAR Coordinator, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, North Charleston, SC 29405; phone: (843) 571–4366; email: julia.byrd@safmc.net.

Supplementary information: The Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils, in conjunction with NOAA Fisheries and the Atlantic and Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commissions, have implemented the Southeast Data, Assessment and Review (SEDAR) process, a multi-step method for determining the status of fish stocks in the Southeast Region. SEDAR is a three-step process including: (1) Data Workshop; (2) Assessment Process utilizing webinars; and (3) Review Workshop. The product of the Data Workshop is a data report which compiles and evaluates potential datasets and recommends which datasets are appropriate for assessment analyses. The product of the Assessment Process is a stock assessment report which describes the fisheries, evaluates the status of the stock, estimates biological benchmarks, projects future population conditions, and recommends research and monitoring needs. The assessment is independently peer reviewed at the Review Workshop. The product of the Review Workshop is a summary documenting panel opinions regarding the strengths and weaknesses of the stock assessment and input data. Participants for SEDAR Workshops are appointed by the Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils and NOAA Fisheries Southeast Regional Office, Highly Migratory Species Management Division, and Southeast Fisheries Science Center. Participants include: Data collectors and database managers; stock assessment scientists, biologists, and researchers; constituency representatives including fishermen, environmentalists, and non-governmental organizations (NGOs); international experts; and staff of Councils, Commissions, and state and federal agencies.

The items of discussion in the Assessment Workshop are as follows:

1. Participants will use datasets provided by the Data Workshop to develop population models to evaluate stock status, estimate population benchmarks and Sustainable Fisheries Act criteria, and project future conditions, as specified in the Terms of Reference.

2. Participants will recommend the most appropriate methods and configurations for determining stock status and estimating population parameters.

3. Participants will prepare a workshop report, compare and contrast various assessment approaches, and determine whether the assessments are adequate for submission to the review panel.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to the SAFMC office (see addresses) at least 10 business days prior to the meeting.

Note: The times and sequence specified in this agenda are subject to change.


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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Fisheries of the South Atlantic; Southeast Data, Assessment, and Review (SEDAR); Public Meeting


Action: Notice of SEDAR 41 Assessment Workshop for South Atlantic red snapper (Lutjanus campechanus) and gray triggerfish (Balistes capriscus).

Summary: The SEDAR 41 assessments of the South Atlantic stocks of red snapper and gray triggerfish will consist of a series of workshops and webinars: Data Workshops; an Assessment Workshop and webinars; and a Review Workshop. See supplementary information.

Dates: The SEDAR 41 Assessment Workshop will be held on December 14, 2015 from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m.; December 15–16, 2015 from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m., and December 17, 2015 from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. The established times may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the timely completion of discussion relevant to the assessment process. Such adjustments may result in the meeting being extended from, or completed prior to the time established by this notice. Additional Assessment Workshops and the Review Workshop dates and times will publish in a subsequent issue in the Federal Register.

Addresses: Meeting address: The SEDAR 41 Assessment Workshop will be held at the Crystal Coast Civic Center, 3505 Arendell Street, Morehead City, NC 28557, 252–247–3883.

SEDAR address: South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N. Charleston, SC 29405; www.sedarweb.org.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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