Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Public meeting; notice of agenda change.

**SUMMARY:** The New England Fishery Management Council (Council, NEFMC) will hold a three-day meeting to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, April 19, 20, and 21, 2016. It will start at 9 a.m. on April 19, and at 8:30 a.m. on both April 20th and 21st.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Mystic Hilton Hotel, 20 Coogan Boulevard, Mystic, CT 06355; telephone: (860) 572–0731, or online at http://hiltonmystic.com/.

**Council address:** New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950; telephone: (978) 465–0492.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465–0492, ext. 113.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The original notice published on April 4, 2016 (81 FR 19136). This notice publishes an additional item to the agenda on April 21, 2016.

**Agenda**

**Thursday, April 21, 2016**

The Council has added an additional item to its existing agenda on the final meeting day of its April 19–21, 2016 meeting.

Following a lunch break scheduled for 12:30 p.m., on April 21st, the Council has added consideration of a change to the spiny dogfish trip limit. Prior to taking any action, the NEFMC will receive an overview on the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission’s request for the increase.

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

**Special Accommodations**

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Thomas A. Nies (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.


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

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; International Dolphin Conservation Program**

**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 June 6, 2016.

**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: Daniel Studt, (562) 980–4073 or daniel.studt@noaa.gov.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Abstract**

This request is for revision of a currently approved information collection. The chain of custody recordkeeping requirements approved under an emergency revision per an interim final rule filed on March 22, 2016 (81 FR 15444), will become a permanent part of the collection. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) collects information to implement the International Dolphin Conservation Program Act (Act). The Act allows entry of yellowfin tuna into the United States (U.S.), under specific conditions, from nations in the International Dolphin Conservation Program that would otherwise be under embargo. The Act also allows U.S. fishing vessels to participate in the yellowfin tuna fishery in the eastern tropical Pacific Ocean (ETP) on terms equivalent with the vessels of other nations. NOAA collects information to allow tracking and verification of “dolphin-safe” and “non-dolphin safe” tuna products from catch through the U.S. market.

The regulations implementing the Act are at 50 CFR parts 216 and 300. The recordkeeping and reporting requirements at 50 CFR parts 216 and 300 form the basis for this collection of information. This collection includes permit applications, notifications, tuna tracking forms, reports, and certifications that provide information on vessel characteristics and operations in the ETP, the origin of tuna and tuna products, chain of custody recordkeeping requirements and certain other information necessary to implement the Act.

**II. Method of Collection**

Paper applications, other paper records, electronic and facsimile reports, and telephone calls or email messages are required from participants. Methods of submittal include transmission of paper forms via regular mail and facsimile as well as electronic submission via email or an FTP site (password protected).

**III. Data**

OMB Number: 0648–0387.

Form Number: None.

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

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations; individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 279.

Estimated Time per Response: 35 minutes for a vessel permit application; 10 minutes for an operator permit application, a notification of vessel arrival or departure, a change in permit operator; a notification of a net modification or a monthly tuna storage removal report; 30 minutes for a request for a waiver to transit the ETP without a permit (and subsequent radio reporting) or for a special report documenting the origin of tuna (if requested by the NOAA Administrator); 10 hours for an experimental fishing operation waiver; 15 minutes for a request for a Dolphin Mortality Limit; 35 minutes for written notification to request active status for a small tuna purse seine vessel; 5 minutes for written...
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
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Magnuson-Stevens Act Provisions;
General Provisions for Domestic Fisheries; Application for Exempted Fishing Permits

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

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The NMFS Assistant Regional Administrator for Sustainable Fisheries, Greater Atlantic Region, has made a preliminary determination that an exempted fishing permit application contains all of the required information and warrants further consideration. This exempted fishing permit would allow a commercial lobster fishing vessel in collaboration with the University of New England to conduct research on the injury and mortality of Atlantic cod caught as bycatch in lobster traps fished in the Gulf of Maine.

Regulations under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act require publication of this notification to provide interested parties the opportunity to comment on applications for a proposed exempted fishing permit.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before April 22, 2016.

ADDRESSES: You may submit written comments by any of the following methods:

• Email: NMFS.GAR.EFP@noaa.gov. Include in the subject line “Comments on 2016 UNE Atlantic Cod Bycatch from Lobster Traps EFP.”

• Mail: John K. Bullard, Regional Administrator, NMFS, Greater Atlantic Office, 55 Great Republic Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930. Mark the outside of the envelope “2016 UNE Atlantic Cod Bycatch from Lobster Traps EFP.”

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Reid Lichwell, Fishery Management Specialist, (978) 282–9112.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
The University of New England (UNE) submitted a complete application for an Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) to assess injury and mortality of cod caught as bycatch in lobster traps fished in the Gulf of Maine (GOM). This EFP would exempt a commercial lobster fishing vessel from the prohibition on landing Northeast (NE) multispecies established under the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan (FMP) at 50 CFR 648.14(k)(1)(i)(B). The vessel would also be exempt from the possession limits and minimum size requirements specified in 50 CFR part 648, subparts B and D through O. The exemption from the prohibition on landing NE multispecies would allow the vessel to retain cod to evaluate injuries resulting from their catch. The possession limit and minimum size requirement exemptions would allow the vessel’s crew to tag cod with acoustic transmitters and collect biological data before cod and other bycaught species are returned to sea. The EFP would allow these exemptions from May through October 2016. The data from this study are designed to provide fisheries managers information on cod discard mortality associated with the GOM lobster fishery. The NMFS Bycatch Reduction Engineering program funds this project.

If the EFP is approved, the participating lobster vessel would deploy 400 traps in statistical area 513. Lobster traps would be hauled twice a week for 24 weeks, with a soak time of approximately 48–72 hours for each trip. The crew of the vessel would collect viability data for cod bycatch as outlined in the research proposal. A subsample (n = 100) of cod would be tagged with acoustic transmitters and released. The tagged cod would be monitored by an array of 30 acoustic receivers to evaluate acute and delayed mortality in their natural environment. Approximately 10 cod would be retained and landed each month to assess barotrauma and other physical effects of their capture. UNE research staff would accompany each trip in which cod are tagged or retained as part of the study. The vessel will retain the previously mentioned 10 cod per sampling month and all legal lobsters will be retained and sold. All other animals captured in the traps would be returned to the sea as soon as possible.

If approved, the applicants may request minor modifications and extensions to the EFP throughout the year. EFP modifications and extensions may be granted without further notice if they are deemed essential to facilitate completion of the proposed research and have minimal impacts that do not change the scope of the initially approved EFP request. Any fishing activity conducted outside the scope of the exempted fishing activity would be prohibited.

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


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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Department of the Air Force

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Department of the Air Force, DoD.

ACTION: Notice to alter a System of Records.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Air Force proposes to alter a system of records notice, System Identifier, F036 AFMC D, entitled “Education/Training