Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission Northern Committee Working Group meeting. NMFS anticipates that at this first workshop, participants will begin to develop potential management objectives that might be used in the MSE for the Pacific bluefin tuna fishery.

For the listening session, NMFS will provide stakeholders with background on the status of the Pacific bluefin tuna stock and the MSE process. Additionally, NMFS is interested in learning from stakeholders about preferred management objectives. The manner of public comment will be at the discretion of the presenters and NMFS staff.

Pacific Bluefin Tuna MSE Listening Session Topics
The Pacific bluefin tuna MSE topics will include, but are not limited to, the following:
(1) An overview of MSE and
(2) Example management objectives for Pacific bluefin tuna.

Special Accommodations
The meeting location is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Celia Barroso (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT) by April 5, 2018.

Dated: March 20, 2018.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Deep Seabed Mining Exploration Licenses
AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, 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 May 25, 2018.
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 pracomments@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Kerry Kehoe (301) 713–3155 extension 151, or Kerry.Kehoe@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
I. Abstract
This request is for extension of a currently approved information collection.
NOAA’s regulations at 15 CFR 970 govern the issuing and monitoring of exploration licenses under the Deep Seabed Hard Mineral Resources Act. Any persons seeking a license must submit certain information that allows NOAA to ensure the applicant meets the standards of the Act. Persons with licenses are required to conduct monitoring and make reports, and they may request revisions, transfers, or extensions of licenses.

II. Method of Collection
Paper submissions are used; however, applicants are encouraged to submit supporting documentation electronically when feasible.

III. Data
OMB Control Number: 0648–0145. Form Number(s): None.
Type of Review: Regular submission (extension of a currently approved information collection).
Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.
Estimated Number of Respondents: 2.
Estimated Time per Response: Applications, 2,000–4,000 hours (no applications are expected); license renewals, 250 hours; reports, 20 hours.
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 290.
Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: $200 in recordkeeping/reporting costs.

IV. Request for Comments
Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have...