

shoreline to just shy of the Connecticut state boundary in Long Island Sound;

(b) the area waterward of the mean high shoreline of the lower Thames River from approximately the Gold Star Bridge south to the area described in (a);

(c) the area waterward of the mean high shoreline of the lower Connecticut River from approximately Lord Cove south to the area described in (a).

The views of interested persons and organizations regarding the proposed site recommendation are solicited. This information may be expressed orally and in written statements. A presentation about the proposed site and the National Estuarine Research Reserve System will be provided.

Written comments may be also be sent to: Kevin O'Brien, Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection—Land & Water Resources Division, 79 Elm Street, Hartford, CT 06106–5127 or to: [kevin.obrien@ct.gov](mailto:kevin.obrien@ct.gov). All written comments must be received no later than seven calendar days following the public meeting. All comments received will be considered by the State in formally nominating a site to NOAA.

The research reserve system is a federal and state partnership program administered by the federal government, specifically the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). The research reserve system currently has 29 sites and protects more than 1.3 million acres of estuarine and Great Lakes habitat for long-term research, monitoring, education, and stewardship. Established by the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972, each reserve is managed by a lead state agency or university, with input from local partners. NOAA provides partial funding and national programmatic guidance.

This particular site selection effort is a culmination of several years of local, grassroots-support for a research reserve site in Connecticut. The preliminary site recommendation follows a comprehensive evaluation process that sought the views of the public, affected landowners, and other interested parties. State and local agency representatives, as well as estuarine experts, served as committee members and evaluated site proposals. The committee is recommending the Lower Connecticut River and Eastern Long Island Sound as the preferred site for the state to nominate to NOAA.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Erica Seiden, Office for Coastal Management, National Ocean Service, NOAA, 1305 East West Highway, N/OCM, Silver Spring, MD 20910 or Email: [erica.seiden@noaa.gov](mailto:erica.seiden@noaa.gov).

Persons with disabilities please contact Michelle MarcAurele at the University of Connecticut Avery Point campus by November 6, 2018 to make arrangements. Phone: 860–405–9115, Email: [michelle.marcaurele@uconn.edu](mailto:michelle.marcaurele@uconn.edu).

(Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog Number 11.420 (Coastal Zone Management) Research Reserves)

Dated: October 22, 2018.

**Paul M. Scholz,**

*Associate Assistant Administrator for Management and CFO/CAO, Ocean Services and Coastal Zone Management.*

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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 information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

*Agency:* National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

*Title:* Pacific Islands Region Coral Reef Ecosystems Logbook and Reporting.

*OMB Control Number:* 0648–0462.

*Form Number(s):* None.

*Type of Request:* Regular (extension of a currently approved information collection).

*Number of Respondents:* 5.

*Average Hours per Response:* Pre-trip and pre-landing notifications, 3 minutes; logbook reports, 30 minutes; transshipment reports, 15 minutes.

*Burden Hours:* 18.

*Needs and Uses:* This request is for extension of a current information collection.

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) requires any U.S. citizen issued a Special Coral Reef Ecosystem Fishing Permit to complete logbooks and submit them to NMFS (50 CFR 665). The Special Coral Reef Ecosystem Fishing Permit is authorized under the Fishery Ecosystem Plans for American Samoa Archipelago, Hawaiian Archipelago, Mariana Archipelago, and Pacific Remote Island Areas. The information in the logbooks is used to obtain fish catch/fishing effort data on coral reef fishes and invertebrates harvested in designated low-use marine protected areas and on those listed in the regulations as potentially-harvested

coral reef taxa in waters of the U.S. exclusive economic zone in the western Pacific region. These data are needed to determine the condition of the stocks, whether the current management measures are having the intended effects, and to evaluate the benefits and costs of changes in management measures. The logbook information includes interactions with protected species, including sea turtles, monk seals, and other marine mammals, which are used to monitor and respond to incidental takes of endangered and threatened marine species.

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

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Mandatory.

This information collection request may be viewed at [reginfo.gov](http://reginfo.gov). Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to [OIRA\\_Submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov) or fax to (202) 395–5806.

Dated: October 25, 2018.

**Sarah Brabson,**

*NOAA PRA Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**RIN 0648–XG567**

#### Nominations for the 2019–2022 General Advisory Committee and the Scientific Advisory Subcommittee to the United States Delegation to the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice; request for nominations.

**SUMMARY:** National Marine Fisheries Service, on behalf of the Secretary of Commerce, is seeking nominations for the General Advisory Committee to the U.S. delegation to the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission, as well as to a Scientific Advisory Subcommittee of the General Advisory Committee. The purpose of the General Advisory Committee and its Scientific Advisory Subcommittee is to provide public input

and advice to the U.S. delegation in the formulation of policy and positions at meetings of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission and its subsidiary bodies. The Scientific Advisory Subcommittee shall also function as the National Scientific Advisory Committee provided for in the Agreement on the International Dolphin Conservation Program.

**DATES:** Nominations must be received no later than November 29, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Nominations should be directed to Barry Thom, Regional Administrator, NMFS West Coast Region, and may be submitted by any of the following means:

- *Email:* [RegionalAdministrator.WCRHMS@noaa.gov](mailto:RegionalAdministrator.WCRHMS@noaa.gov) with the subject line: "General Advisory Committee and Scientific Advisory Subcommittee nominations"

- *Mail:* Taylor Debevec, NMFS West Coast Region Long Beach Office, 501 W. Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200, Long Beach, CA 90802.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Taylor Debevec, NMFS West Coast Region; email: [taylor.debevec@noaa.gov](mailto:taylor.debevec@noaa.gov); telephone: 562-980-4066.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**General Advisory Committee**

The Tuna Conventions Act (16 U.S.C. 951 *et seq.*) (TCA) provides that the Secretary of Commerce, in consultation with the Secretary of State, shall appoint a "General Advisory Committee" (GAC) to advise the U.S. delegation to the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC or Commission). The GAC shall be composed of no more than 25 individuals who shall be representative of the various groups concerned with the fisheries covered by the IATTC, including non-governmental conservation organizations, providing an equitable balance among such groups to the maximum extent practicable. Members of the GAC shall be invited to attend all non-executive meetings of the U.S. delegation to the IATTC and at such meetings shall be given the opportunity to examine and be heard on all proposed programs of investigation, reports, recommendations, and regulations of the Commission.

The Chair of the Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Pacific Council) Advisory Subpanel for Highly Migratory Fisheries and the Chair of the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Western Pacific Council's) Advisory Committee shall be ex-officio members of the GAC by virtue of their positions advising those Councils. GAC members will be eligible to participate as

members of the U.S. delegation to the Commission and its working groups to the extent that the Commission rules and space for delegations allow.

Meetings of the GAC, except when in executive session, shall be open to the public, and prior notice of meetings shall be made public in timely fashion. In accordance with Public Law 114-81, the GAC shall not be subject to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. App.).

Individuals appointed to serve as a member of the GAC shall serve without pay. While away from their homes or regular places of business to attend meetings of the GAC, they shall be allowed travel expenses, including per diem in lieu of subsistence, in the same manner as persons employed intermittently by the Federal Government are allowed expenses under 5 U.S.C. 5703. In addition, individuals appointed to serve as a member of the GAC shall not be considered Federal employees except for the purposes of injury compensation or tort.

**Scientific Advisory Subcommittee**

The TCA also provides that the Secretary of Commerce, in consultation with the Secretary of State, shall appoint persons to serve on the subcommittee of the GAC, referred to here as the "Scientific Advisory Subcommittee" (SAS). The SAS shall be composed of no fewer than 5 and no more than 15 qualified scientists with balanced representation from the public and private sectors, including non-governmental conservation organizations. In determining whether a person is a qualified scientist the Secretary may consider, among other things, advanced degrees and/or publications in fields such as fisheries or marine science.

**National Scientific Advisory Committee**

The SAS shall also function as the National Scientific Advisory Committee which is required to be established pursuant to Article XI of the Agreement on the International Dolphin Conservation Program (AIDCP). In this regard, the SAS shall perform the functions of the National Scientific Advisory Committee as specified in Annex VI of the AIDCP. These functions include, but are not limited to: (1) Receiving and reviewing relevant data, including data provided to NMFS by IATTC staff; (2) advising and recommending measures and actions to the U.S. Government that should be undertaken to conserve and manage stocks of living marine resources in the eastern Pacific Ocean; (3) making

recommendations to the U.S. Government regarding research needs related to the eastern Pacific Ocean tuna purse seine fishery; (4) promoting the regular and timely full exchange of data among the AIDCP Parties on a variety of matters related to the implementation of the AIDCP; and (5) consulting with other experts, as necessary, in order to achieve the objectives of the AIDCP.

Members of the SAS/National Scientific Advisory Committee shall receive no compensation for their service.

**General Provisions**

Each member of the GAC shall be appointed for a term of 3 years and may be reappointed. The Secretary of Commerce and the Secretary of State shall provide the GAC with relevant information concerning fisheries and international fishery agreements. The Secretary of Commerce shall provide to the GAC such administrative and technical support services that are necessary for its effective functioning in a timely manner.

**Procedures for Submitting Applications**

Applications for the GAC and the SAS/National Scientific Advisory Committee should be submitted to NMFS West Coast Region (see **ADDRESSES**). This request for applications is for first time nominees, current members whose appointments will end in April 2019, and previous members. Self-nomination applications are acceptable. Applications should include all of the following information:

(1) Full name, address (home and business, if different), telephone, and email address of nominee;

(2) Specification about whether the application is for the GAC or the SAS/National Scientific Advisory Committee or both;

(3) Nominee's organization(s) or professional affiliation(s) serving as the basis for the nomination;

(4) Background statement describing the nominee's qualifications and experience, especially as related to fisheries for tuna and tuna-like species in the eastern Pacific Ocean or other factors relevant to the implementation of the Convention Establishing the IATTC or the AIDCP. Applications to the SAS should highlight advanced degrees and academic publications; and

(5) A written statement from the nominee of intent to participate actively and in good faith in the meetings and activities of either the GAC or the SAS/National Scientific Advisory Committee, or both.

Applicants who submitted material in response to the **Federal Register** Notice

published by NMFS on January 20, 2016 (81 FR 3118), or prior, should resubmit their applications pursuant to this notice.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 951 *et seq.*

Dated: October 24, 2018.

**Karen H. Abrams,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

#### Department of the Army

[Docket ID: USA–2018–HQ–0024]

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, DoD.

**ACTION:** Information collection notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by December 31, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail:* Department of Defense, Office of the Chief Management Officer, Directorate for Oversight and Compliance, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Mailbox #24 Suite 08D09, Alexandria, VA 22350–1700.

*Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number, and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy

for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

Any associated form(s) for this collection may be located within this same electronic docket and downloaded for review/testing. Follow the instructions at <http://www.regulations.gov> for submitting comments. Please submit comments on any given form identified by docket number, form number, and title.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Omaha District, ATTN: Kelly Baxter, 1616 Capitol Ave., Ste. 9000, Omaha, NE 68102; call at 402–995–2447; or email at [Kelly.D.Baxter@usace.army.mil](mailto:Kelly.D.Baxter@usace.army.mil).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** For a secondary source to request more information on this proposed information collection, please write to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Walla Walla District, ATTN: Karen Zelch, 201 N 3rd Ave, Walla Walla, WA 99362; call at 509–527–7251; or email at [Karen.S.Zelch@usace.army.mil](mailto:Karen.S.Zelch@usace.army.mil).

**OMB Number:** Pacific Northwest Households Recreation Use Surveys, OMB Control Number 0710–XXXX.

**Needs and Uses:** The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Bonneville Power Administration (BPA), and Bureau of Reclamation (BOR), are jointly developing an environmental impact statement (EIS), referred to as the Columbia River System Operations (CRSO) EIS. As part of the EIS, the Corps is tasked with evaluating changes in the economic value provided by water-based recreation.

The purpose of this survey effort is to gather information that will support development of a water-based recreational demand model for the Columbia River Basin in Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and western Montana. The proposed design involves a mail survey for preliminary screening to identify eligible recreators, followed by a telephone survey of eligible recreators to collect data on recreational trips and activities within the region. The model will be used to evaluate recreational impacts associated with alternatives identified within the CRSO EIS.

#### Mail Screener

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 1,150.

*Number of Respondents:* 11,500.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Annual Responses:* 11,500.

*Average Burden per Response:* 6 minutes.

*Frequency:* One-time.

#### Follow-up Telephone Survey

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 414.

*Number of Respondents:* 1,242.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Annual Responses:* 1,242.

*Average Burden per Response:* 20 minutes.

*Frequency:* One-time.

#### Average Totals

*Annual Burden Hours:* 1,564.

*Number of Respondents:* 11,500.

*Responses per Respondent:* 1.

*Annual Responses:* 11,500.

*Average Burden per Response:* 8.16 minutes.

*Frequency:* One-time.

We anticipate that approximately 11,500 households will complete the mail screener. Based on the results of a small pretest, we expect that it will take approximately 1 minute to read the screener letter and approximately 5 minutes to complete the screener questionnaire (total of 6 minutes per respondent). Approximately 1,242 eligible adults within those households will complete the follow-up telephone survey. Also based on the results of a small pretest, we expect that it will take approximately 20 minutes to complete the follow-up telephone survey. Based on that data, the burden for 10,258 households will be 6 minutes. The burden for 1,242 eligible adults will be a total of 26 minutes. This yields a total respondent burden estimate of 1,564 hours.

Dated: October 25, 2018.

**Morgan E. Park,**

*Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

[Transmittal No. 18–34]

#### Arms Sales Notification

**AGENCY:** Defense Security Cooperation Agency, Department of Defense.