

Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill Final Programmatic Damage Assessment and Restoration Plan and Final Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (ROD), which sets forth the governance structure and process for DWH restoration planning under the OPA NRDA regulations. On April 4, 2016, the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana entered a Consent Decree resolving civil claims by the Trustees against BP.

The Louisiana TIG, which includes the State of Louisiana Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority, Oil Spill Coordinator's Office, Departments of Environmental Quality, Wildlife and Fisheries, and Natural Resources, the NOAA, the U.S. Department of the Interior, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture, selects and implements restoration projects under the Louisiana TIG's management authority in accordance with the Consent Decree. The Final PDARP/PEIS, ROD, Consent Decree, and information on the DWH Trustees can be found at <https://www.gulfspillrestoration.noaa.gov/restoration-planning/gulf-plan>.

Background

As provided for in the Final PDARP/PEIS, TIGs may propose conceptual projects for funding of a planning phase (e.g., initial engineering and design [E&D]) in a restoration plan. This allows the TIG to develop information needed to fully consider a subsequent implementation phase of the project in a subsequent restoration plan. In the Final RP/EA #8, the Louisiana TIG selected conceptual projects to fund for E&D, including the East Orleans Landbridge Restoration project and the Raccoon Island Restoration project. Both projects have design alternatives that are now at a stage where proposed construction alternatives may be analyzed under the OPA NRDA regulations and NEPA. Therefore, in the Draft RP/EA #8.1, the Louisiana TIG is proposing to implement the preferred design alternatives to construct the East Orleans Landbridge project and the Raccoon Island Restoration project.

Overview of the Louisiana TIG Draft RP/EA #8.1

The Draft RP/EA #8.1 is being released in accordance with OPA NRDA regulations, NEPA, the Final PDARP/PEIS, and the Consent Decree. The Draft RP/EA #8.1 provides OPA NRDA and NEPA analyses for a reasonable range of design alternatives and identifies the Louisiana TIG's preferred design alternative for each project. The

preferred design alternative, East Orleans Landbridge Restoration Alternative 4 (E.O. Alternative 4) would dredge and place approximately 5.0 million cubic yards (3.8 million cubic meters) of sediment dredged from a nearby inland borrow source to restore up to 1,320 acres (534 hectares) of a wetland complex. E.O. Alternative 4 would also include 14,867 linear feet (4.53 kilometers) of shoreline protection. The approximate cost to implement the preferred alternative is \$101.2 million. The preferred design alternative, Raccoon Island Restoration Project Alternative 3 (RI Alternative 3) would dredge approximately 2.9 million cubic yards (2.2 million cubic meters) of sand from an offshore borrow source to restore up to 410 acres (166 hectares) of barrier island habitat. RI Alternative 3 also includes maintenance of existing Gulfside breakwaters, construction of four bayside breakwaters, and construction of nine living shoreline structures. The approximate cost to implement the preferred alternative is \$145.5 million.

Funding to implement any of the alternatives ultimately selected by the Louisiana TIG would come from the Wetlands, Coastal, and Nearshore Habitats Restoration Type allocation. The total estimated cost to implement the two preferred alternatives is approximately \$246.7 million.

Next Steps

After the public comment period ends, the Louisiana TIG will consider and address all substantive comments received before making a final decision on which, if any, alternatives to fund and implement. A Final RP/EA #8.1 and Finding of No Significant Impact, as appropriate, identifying selected alternatives will be made publicly available.

Administrative Record

The Administrative Record for the Draft RP/EA #8.1 can be viewed electronically at <https://www.doi.gov/deepwaterhorizon/adminrecord> under the folder 6.5.5.2.16.

Authority: The authority for this action is the OPA of 1990 (33 U.S.C. 2701 *et seq.*), its implementing NRDA regulations found at 15 CFR part 990, and the NEPA as amended (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*).

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Carrie Diane Robinson,

*Director, Office of Habitat Conservation,
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; International Dolphin Conservation Program

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Information Collection, request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment preceding submission of the collection to OMB.

DATES: To ensure consideration, comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before July 17, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments to Adrienne Thomas, NOAA PRA Officer, at NOAA.PRA@noaa.gov. Please reference OMB Control Number 0648-0387 in the subject line of your comments. All comments received are part of the public record and will generally be posted on <https://www.regulations.gov> without change. Do not submit Confidential Business Information or otherwise sensitive or protected information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or specific questions related to collection activities should be directed to Chris Fanning, Fishery Policy Analyst, NOAA/National Marine Fisheries Service, 501 West Ocean Blvd., #4200, Long Beach, CA 90802, (562) 980-4198, Chris.Fanning@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This request is for the revision and extension of OMB Control Number: 0648-0387, sponsored by NOAA's National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) West Coast Region (WCR). This collection is being revised to remove five (5) of the twenty-one (21) information collections under OMB Control Number: 0648-0387 that were

recently added to Control Number 0648–0335, which is sponsored by the NMFS Office of International Affairs, Trade, and Commerce (IATC). The purpose of this revision is to more accurately reflect how the information is being managed. The remaining sixteen (16) information collections are being renewed without modification.

The sixteen unmodified collections of information comply with the requirements of the International Dolphin Conservation Program Act (IDCPA), 16 U.S.C. 1414. The IDCPA amended the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA), 16 U.S.C. Ch. 31, and the Dolphin Protection Consumer Information Act (DPCIA), 16 U.S.C. 1385. The IDCPA and the DPCIA authorize the Secretary of Commerce to promulgate regulations that, *inter alia*, implement the dolphin-safe labeling standard in the United States by the collection of documents on the dolphin-safe status of tuna import shipments and domestic tuna product processing; by allowing documentary requests to allow for an effective tracking and verification program; and by verifying that tuna was not harvested by a nation under embargo or otherwise prohibited from exporting tuna to the United States.

The IDCPA allows entry of yellowfin tuna into the United States, under specific conditions, from nations in the International Dolphin Conservation Program that would otherwise be under embargo. The IDCPA 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 verify these conditions are met and that allows tracking and verification of “dolphin-safe” and “non-dolphin safe” tuna products from catch through the U.S. market.

This collection of information also complies with the requirements of the Tuna Conventions Act (TCA), 16 U.S.C. 951 *et seq.*, which was amended by the “Illegal, Unreported, and Unregulated Fishing Enforcement Act of 2015” (Pub. L. 114–81). The TCA gives the Secretary of Commerce the authority to enact regulations to fulfill the requirement that all member States maintain and provide to the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) a list of vessels flagged by the member State and (1) authorized by the member State to be used for fishing for tuna and tuna-like species in the IATTC Convention Area, or (2) authorized by other States to be used for fishing for tuna and tuna-like species in their areas of jurisdiction in the IATTC Area, and to maintain and provide for each vessel on that list

certain information on its characteristics and its owner and operator. The TCA also gives the Secretary of Commerce authority to implement fishery management resolutions of the IATTC.

The information is used by NMFS, the United States Coast Guard (USGC), and the IATTC to monitor the size and composition of the vessel fleets in the IATTC Convention Area for compliance and scientific-related purposes. Knowing such information as the number of vessels, the details of the vessels and their ownership, and the types of gear employed enables effective monitoring of vessel activity for enforcement and assessment purposes. NMFS also uses this information for the purposes of managing the U.S. purse seine fleet capacity in the IATTC Convention Area.

This collection includes permit applications, notifications, reports, and certifications that provide information on vessel characteristics and operations in the ETP, documentary evidence requests, and certain other information necessary to implement the IDCPA.

The five information collections being removed from 0648–0387 that were added to 0648–0335 “Tuna Tracking and Verification Program” (90 FR 21752, May 21, 2025), also comply with requirements of the IDCPA and DPCIA. They include vessel arrival notifications, tuna tracking forms, tuna product receiving and processing reports, and documents/certifications that provide information on vessel characteristics and operations in the ETP, the origin of tuna and tuna products, and chain of custody recordkeeping requirements.

II. Method of Collection

Information will be collected via online application, email notifications and reporting, and an option for paper format permit applications.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0648–0387.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Review: Regular submission [revision and extension of a currently approved information collection].

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

Estimated Number of Respondents: 240.

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; 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 notification to request inactive status for a small tuna purse seine vessel or for written notification of the intent to transfer a tuna purse seine vessel to foreign registry and flag; 30 minutes for International Maritime Organization (IMO) application or exemption request.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 111.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$450.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: International Dolphin Conservation Program Act (IDCPA), 16 U.S.C. 1414; The IDCPA amended the Dolphin Protection Consumer Information Act (DPCIA), 16 U.S.C. 1385; and the Tuna Conventions Act (TCA), 16 U.S.C. 951 *et seq.*

IV. Request for Comments

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department/Bureau to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) Evaluate ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this information collection request. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we

cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Sheleen Dumas,

Departmental PRA Compliance Officer, Office of the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, Commerce Department.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold its Mariana Archipelago Fishery Ecosystem Plan (FEP) Guam Advisory Panel (AP), Social Science Planning Committee (SSPC), Hawaii Archipelago and Pacific Remote Island Areas (PRIA) FEP AP, and Mariana Archipelago FEP Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) AP to discuss and make recommendations on fishery management issues in the Western Pacific Region.

DATES: The meetings will be held between May 28, 2026, and May 30, 2026. For specific times and agendas, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: The Council will hold its SSPC, Hawaii Archipelago and PRIA FEP AP, Mariana Archipelago FEP Guam AP meetings in a hybrid format with in-person and remote participation (Webex) options available for the members and the public. The Council will hold its Mariana Archipelago FEP CNMI AP virtually with remote participation (Webex) for the members and the public. In-person attendance for the Mariana Archipelago FEP Guam AP and public will be hosted at Cliff Pointe, 304 W. O'Brien Drive, Hagatña, GU, 96910. In-person attendance (for members and public) for the SSPC and Hawaii Archipelago and PRIA FEP AP meetings will be hosted at the Council Office, 1164 Bishop St Suite 1400, Honolulu, Hawaii, 96813. Instructions for connecting to the web conference and providing oral public comments will be posted on the Council website at <https://www.wpcouncil.org>. For assistance with the web conference

connection, contact the Council office at (808) 522-8220.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Contact Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director, Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; (808) 522-8220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Mariana Archipelago FEP Guam AP will be held between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m. (Chamorro Standard Time [ChST]) on Thursday, May 28, 2026. The SSPC will be held between 12 p.m. and 3 p.m. (Hawaii Standard Time [HST]) on Thursday, May 28, 2026. The Hawaii and PRIA FEP AP will be held between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. (HST) on Friday, May 29, 2026. The Mariana Archipelago FEP CNMI AP will be held between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. (ChST) on Saturday, May 30, 2026. Public Comment periods will be provided in the agendas. The order in which agenda items are addressed may change. The meetings will run as late as necessary to complete scheduled business.

Schedule and Agenda for the Mariana Archipelago FEP Guam AP Meeting

Thursday, May 28, 2026, 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. (ChST)

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Review of the Last AP Recommendation and Meeting
3. Council Fisheries Issues
 - A. 2025 Mariana Archipelago Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation (SAFE) Report
4. Council Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) Project Update
 - A. Scenario Planning
 - B. Regulatory Review
 - C. Protected Species
 - D. Community Consultation
5. Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) Deep Sea Mining Update
6. AP Strategic Planning for 2026
7. Other Business
8. Public Comment
9. Discussion and Recommendations

Schedule and Agenda for the SSPC Meeting

Thursday, May 28, 2026, 12 p.m. to 3 p.m. (HST)

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Refining the Objectives and Activities in the SSPC Strategic Plan
4. Social, Economic, Ecological and Management Process Revision Draft Procedural Document
5. SSPC Feedback on Revising the Annual SAFE Report Socioeconomic Module Structure
6. Alignment of Science and Management Priorities and Scientific and Statistical Committee Working Group

7. Socioeconomic Considerations for Council Actions and Issues
 - A. Main Hawaiian Islands (MHI) Kona Crab Annual Catch Limit (ACL) Specification for 2027-2030
8. Project Updates
9. Other Business
10. Public Comment
11. Discussion and Recommendations

Schedule and Agenda for the Hawaii and PRIA FEP AP Meeting

Thursday, May 29, 2026, 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. (HST)

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Review of the Last AP Recommendation and Meeting
3. Council Fisheries Issues
 - A. MHI Kona Crab ACL Specification for 2027-2030
 - B. 2025 Hawaii SAFE Report
4. Council IRA Project Discussion
 - A. Scenario Planning
 - B. Regulatory Review
 - C. Protected Species
5. Uku Management Strategy Evaluation and Mail Survey Update
6. State of Hawaii Holomua Update for Maui and Hawaii Island
7. Hawaii AP Action Plan Planning for 2026
8. Other Business
9. Public Comment
10. Discussion and Recommendations

Schedule and Agenda for the Mariana Archipelago FEP CNMI AP Meeting

Saturday, May 30, 2026, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. (ChST)

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Review of the Last AP Recommendation and Meeting
3. Council Fisheries Issues
 - A. 2025 Mariana Archipelago SAFE Report
4. Council IRA Project Update
 - A. Scenario Planning
 - B. Regulatory Review
 - C. Protected Species
 - D. Community Consultation
5. New Territorial Data Collection Methods
6. BOEM Deep Sea Mining Update
7. AP Strategic Planning for 2026
8. Other Business
9. Public Comment
10. Discussion and Recommendations

Special Accommodations

These meetings are accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, (808) 522-8220 (voice) or (808) 522-8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date. (Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*)