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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric
Administration**
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South Florida Artificial and Natural Reefs—Economic Valuation Study; Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request

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

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment
request.

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,
Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C.
3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be
submitted on or before February 18,
2000.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments
to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental
Forms Clearance Officer, Department of
Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and
Constitution Avenue NW, Washington
DC 20230 (or via Internet at
LEngelme@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Requests for additional information or
copies of the information collection
instrument(s) and instructions should
be directed to Dr. Vernon R. Leeworthy,
NOS/Special Projects Office, 1305 East
West Highway, SSMC 4, 9th Floor, Silver
Spring, Maryland 20910 (301-713-3000,
ext. 138) or via Internet at
Bob.Leeworthy@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The purpose of this data collection is
to provide local, state and federal
agencies in charge of managing the
artificial and natural reefs of the coasts
of southeast Florida (Palm Beach,
Broward, Dade and Monroe Counties)
with information on both the market
economic impact (e.g., sales/output,
income and employment) and non-

market economic value (consumer's
surplus) associated with reef use.
Separate surveys of residents of each
county, visitors (non-residents of each
county) and recreational for-hire
operations will be conducted to estimate
the amount of use (measured in person-
days) on both artificial and natural reefs,
spending in the local economies while
undertaking the activities on the reefs,
and information that will support
estimation of non-market economic-use
values using travel-cost- demand
models and discrete-choice-contingent
valuation methods.

Three surveys are planned:

A. Survey of Local Resident Reef
Users: Telephone surveys of 500 boating
resident households per county for each
of the four counties in the study area
will be conducted (Palm Beach,
Broward, Dade and Monroe Counties). A
computer-aided telephone instrument
(CATI) will be used. Samples will be
drawn from the State of Florida's boat
registration files.

B. Survey of Non Resident Reef Users:
Non-residents are defined as people
who are not permanent residents of the
county where interviewed. Interviewing
will be done on-site from a stratified
sample of non residents in each of the
counties. There will be two separate
sampled populations: 1) General
Visitors and 2) Boating Visitors.
Samples will be stratified by two
seasons (e.g., summer and winter) and
for boating visitors by activity and mode
of boating. Activities include diving and
fishing and boat modes include charter,
party and own (household) boats.

C. Survey of Recreational for Hire
Operations: From previous studies, it
was determined that non-resident
charter and party boat users did not
always know whether they were fishing
on artificial or natural reefs. Charter and
party operators do know and can
provide estimates of the amount of use
on both artificial and natural reefs. A
survey of charter and party boat fishing
and diving operations will be used to
gather information on the amount of use
on artificial and natural reef use by
charter and party boat visitors.

II. Method of Collection

The information will be collected by
telephone surveys and personal
interviews.

III. Data

OMB Number: None

Form Number: None

Type of Review: Regular submission

Affected public: Individuals, business
or other for-profit

Estimated Number of Respondents:
9,600

Estimated Time Per Response: 15
minutes for interviews of reef users, 1
hour for surveys of recreational for-hire
operations.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden
Hours:* 2,700

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to
Public:* \$0

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
practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the
agency's estimate of the burden
(including hours and cost) of the
proposed collection of information; (c)
ways to enhance the quality, utility, and
clarity of the information to be
collected; and (d) ways to minimize the
burden of the collection of information
on respondents, including through the
use of automated collection techniques
or other forms of information
technology.

Comments submitted in response to
this notice will be summarized and /or
included in the request for OMB
approval of this information collection;
they also will become a matter of public
record.

Dated: December 10, 1999.

Linda Engelmeier,
Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office
of Chief Information Officer.
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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Adjustment of an Import Limit for Certain Wool Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in Guatemala

December 16, 1999.

AGENCY: Committee for the
Implementation of Textile Agreements
(CITA).

ACTION: Issuing a directive to the
Commissioner of Customs increasing a
limit.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 20, 1999.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Naomi Freeman, International Trade
Specialist, Office of Textiles and
Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce,
(202) 482-4212. For information on the
quota status of this limit, refer to the
Quota Status Reports posted on the
bulletin boards of each Customs port,
call (202) 927-5850, or refer to the U.S.