

(c) Project Reporting. Quarterly reports will be submitted to the NIST Program Officer no later than thirty (30) days after the end of each quarter of the award year. The information provided is used to characterize the projects, develop detailed case studies, and evaluate individual examples of outcomes. Quarterly reporting instructions will be distributed to award recipients.

Executive Order Statement

This funding notice was determined to be "not significant" for purposes of Executive Order 12866.

Dated: June 29, 2000.

Raymond G. Kammer,
Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 052400C]

Endangered and Threatened Species; Notice of Availability for the Draft Recovery Plan for Johnson's Seagrass

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

ACTION: Notice of availability of a draft recovery plan; request for comments; correction.

SUMMARY: In the notice of availability of the draft recovery plan for Johnson's seagrass, published on June 26, 2000, the mailing address for comments was inadvertently omitted. Also, the notice did not include a web site address for accessing the draft recovery plan. This document corrects the notice of availability.

DATES: Comments on the draft recovery plan must be received no later than 5 p.m., Eastern standard time, on August 25, 2000.

ADDRESSES: Written comments on the draft recovery plan should be addressed to Mr. Charles Oravetz, Assistant Regional Administrator, Protected Resources Division, NMFS, Southeast Regional Office, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, Florida 33702-2432. In addition to being available from Layne Bolen, Protected Resources Division, NMFS, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, FL 33702-2439; the draft plan can also be downloaded from the following site: http://www.nmfs.gov/prot_res/other/jsrecover.pdf. Comments

may be sent via facsimile (fax) to 727-570-5517, but they will not be accepted if submitted via e-mail or Internet.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Layne Bolen at 850-234-6541 ext 237, Dr. Judson Kenworthy at 252-728-8750, or Marta Nammack at 301-713-1401 ext 116, or send a request via electronic mail to jsg.info@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Need for Correction

In the notice of availability of the draft recovery plan for Johnson's seagrass, published on June 26, 2000 (65 FR 39369), the mailing address for comments was inadvertently omitted. Also, the notice did not include a web site address for accessing the draft recovery plan. This document provides this information (see **ADDRESSES**).

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1531-1543 *et seq.*

Dated: June 29, 2000.

Andrew A. Rosenberg,
Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 062900C]

North Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The North Pacific Fishery Management Council's (NPFMC) Observer Committee will meet in Seattle, WA.

DATES: The meeting will be held on July 24-25, 2000.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Alaska Fisheries Science Center, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, Bldg. 4, Room 1055, Seattle, WA.

Council address: North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 W. 4th Ave., Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501-2252.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Chris Oliver, NPFMC, 907-271-2809.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting will begin at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, July 24, and continue until business for the day is completed. The meeting will reconvene on Tuesday, July 25, at 9:00 a.m.

The committee's agenda includes the following issues:

1. Review and discuss information on:
 - A. General observer needs by week;
 - B. Foreign observer program model; and

- C. Updated estimates of observer costs, exvessel value, and potential fee percentage.

2. Review and discuss findings of an independent review of the North Pacific groundfish observer program prepared by MRAG Americas.

3. Discuss baseline program goals and objectives.

4. Discuss and identify major program alternatives

5. Discuss and resolve appropriate wording for Magnuson-Stevens Act reauthorization.

6. Identify additional information needs.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this committee for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. 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 Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Helen Allen, 907-271-2809, at least 5 working days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: June 29, 2000.

Richard W. Surdi,

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

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UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) has submitted 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: United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO).

Title: Invention Promoters/Promotion Firms Complaints.

Form Number(s): PTO/SB/2048.

Agency Approval Number: 0651-0044.

Type of Request: Revision of a collection previously approved under an emergency clearance.

Burden: 50 hours annually.

Number of Respondents: 200 responses per year. The PTO expects to receive 100 complaints concerning invention promoters/promotion firms and 100 responses to such complaints.

Avg. Hours Per Response: The USPTO estimates that it takes an average of 15 minutes (.25 hours) to gather the information, complete the complaint, and submit it to the USPTO. The USPTO estimates that it will take an invention promoter an average of 15 minutes (.25 hours) to gather the information, complete the response, and submit it to the USPTO.

Needs and Uses: The Inventors' Rights Act of 1999 requires the USPTO to publish complaints filed by independent inventors against invention promoters/promotion firms and publish any replies to such complaints. The Inventors' Rights Act requires the USPTO to publish these complaints and replies, but it does not require the USPTO to enforce the Act, to investigate the complaints, or to participate in any legal proceedings against the invention promoters/promotion firms. The USPTO has developed a form that complainants may choose to use to submit their complaints against an invention promoter/promotion firm to the USPTO. Use of this form, PTO/SB/2048 Complaint Regarding Invention Promoter, is not mandatory; however, its use will ensure that all of the necessary information is provided, which in turn enables the USPTO to make the complaint publicly available. At this time, there is no associated form for responses to the complaints. In addition, this information collection enables the invention promoters/promotion firms to respond to such complaints. The USPTO uses the complaint form to ensure that all of the necessary information is provided so that the complaints can be made publicly available. The USPTO then forwards the complaints to the invention promoter/promotion firm and makes sure that any responses to these complaints are also made publicly available.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, businesses or other for-profit, not-for-profit institutions, and farms.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Thao P. Nguyen, Acting Records Officer, Office of Data Management, Data Administration Division, (703) 308-7397, USPTO, Suite 310, 2231 Crystal Drive, Washington, DC 20231.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent on or before August 7, 2000, to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20503.

Dated: June 29, 2000.

Thao P. Nguyen,

Acting Records Officer, USPTO, Office of Data Management, Data Administration Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

United States Patent and Trademark Office

RIN 0651-ABXX

Notice of Intellectual Property Symposium of the Americas: Protecting Intellectual Property in the Digital Age

AGENCY: United States Patent and Trademark Office, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) is announcing that it will hold a two-day symposium on the enforcement of intellectual property in the Western Hemisphere. The symposium is expected to provide an opportunity for high-ranking government intellectual property officials and members of the business and intellectual property communities in the Western Hemisphere to discuss and formulate an agenda for cooperation in the critical area of intellectual property enforcement. Particular attention during the symposium will be paid to the Internet, Optical Media Piracy, and Business Software and Business Methods Patent enforcement issues, and to developing a basis for closer Hemispheric coordination in the enforcement of intellectual property rights generally.

DATES: The symposium will be held on Monday, September 11, 2000, and Tuesday, September 12, 2000, beginning at 9:30 a.m. and ending at approximately 5:30 p.m. each day. Due

to security concerns, attendance at the symposium will be limited to 150 people. Requests to attend the symposium must be made in writing no later than July 31, 2000, and must comply with the requirements set forth in this notice. Because seating is limited, only one request to participate per firm, agency or organization will be granted. For purposes of determining eligibility, affiliates and subsidiaries in different countries will be considered separate organizations.

ADDRESSES: The symposium will be held at the Sheraton Crystal City Hotel, 1800 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202. Directions to the symposium location will be available inside the lobby of the Sheraton Crystal City.

Requests to attend the symposium should be made to Doris Long by electronic mail to soa2k@uspto.gov, by facsimile transmission marked to the attention of Doris Long at (877) 786-4220, or by mail marked to the attention of Doris Long and addressed to the Office of Legislative and International Affairs, United States Patent and Trademark Office, Box 4, Washington, DC 20231. Symposium attendees will be accepted as their requests are received on a first-come, first-serve basis according to the time and date of receipt of each request, and subject to the restrictions that: (1) Only written requests will be accepted; (2) only one request (one person) per company, firm, agency or organization will be accepted (for purposes of determining eligibility, affiliates and subsidiaries in different countries will be considered separate organizations); (3) only requests which contain the information set forth below under "Further Registration Information" will be accepted; and (4) only requests received on or before July 31, 2000, will be considered.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Doris Long by telephone at (877) 786-4220; by electronic mail to soa2k@uspto.gov; by fax at (877) 786-4220; or by mail marked to her attention and addressed to the Office of Legislative and International Affairs, United States Patent and Trademark Office, Box 4, Washington, DC 20231.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

1. Background

Over the past several decades, the global economy has undergone a fundamental change, where the principal engine of economic growth and job creation is not based on raw natural resources, but on the use of knowledge, ideas and innovation. From the Internet and E-commerce, to