

High School, Goodman Auditorium, 411 5th Avenue, South, Virginia, MN 55792; on Sunday, July 15, 2001 at the Northern Michigan University's University Center, Michigan Room, 1401 Presque Isle, Marquette, MI 49855; and on Thursday, July 19, 2001 at the Newport Gateway, 19900 MacArthur Boulevard, Suite 300 (Food and Drug Administration Office), Irvine, CA 92612. All hearings will begin at 12 noon local time and conclude at 7 PM local time.

#### *Procedure for Requesting Participation*

The Department encourages interested public participants to present their views orally at the hearings. Any person wishing to make an oral presentation at the hearings must submit a written request to the Department of Commerce at the address indicated in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice. The request to participate in the hearings must be accompanied by 3 copies of a summary of the oral presentation. The written request and summary must be received by the Department no later than Monday, June 25, 2001. In addition, the request to speak should contain (1) the name and address of the person requesting to make a presentation; (2) a daytime phone number where the person who would be making the oral presentation may be contacted before the hearing; (3) the organization or company they represent; (4) an e-mail address, if available, and (5) the location you will attend to make your presentation.

Please note that the submission of comments for presentation at the public hearings is separate from the request for written comments contained in the February 6, 2001 and April 18, 2001 **Federal Register** notices. Since it may be necessary to limit the number of persons making presentations, the written request to participate in the public hearing should describe the individual's interest in the hearings and, where appropriate, explain why the individual is a proper representative of a group or class of persons that has such an interest. If all interested parties cannot be accommodated at the hearings, the summaries of the oral presentations will be used to allocate speaking time and to ensure that a full range of comments is heard.

Each person selected to make a presentation will be notified by the Department of Commerce no later than 8 PM EDT on Friday, June 29, 2001. The Department will arrange the presentation times for the speakers. Attendees will be seated on a first-come, first-served basis. Persons selected to be heard are requested to bring 100 copies

of their oral presentation and of all exhibits to the hearing site on the day of the hearing. All such material must be of a size consistent with ease of handling, transportation and filing. While large exhibits may be used during a hearing, copies of such exhibits in reduced size must be provided to the panel. Written submissions by persons not selected to make presentations will be made part of the public record of the proceeding. Any person, whether presenting or not, may submit a written statement through August 17, 2001; 30 days after the last hearing date. Confidential business information may not be submitted at a public hearing. In the event confidential business information is submitted it will be handled according to the same procedures applicable to such information provided in the course of an investigation. See 15 CFR 705.6. Each hearing will be stenographically reported. Transcripts of the hearings may be purchased after the hearings have been completed from the Department for actual cost of duplication.

Copies of the requests to participate in the public hearings, and the transcripts of the hearings will be maintained on the Bureau of Export Administration's web page, which can be found at <http://www.bxa.doc.gov> (see Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) heading). If the requesters cannot access the web site, they may call (202) 482-2165 for assistance. The records related to this assessment are made accessible in accordance with the regulations published in part 4 of title 15 of the Code of Federal Regulations (15 CFR 4.1 *et seq.*)

#### *Conduct of the Hearing*

The Department reserves the right to select the persons to be heard at the hearings, to schedule their respective presentations, and to establish the procedures governing the conduct of the hearing. Each speaker will be limited to 10 minutes, and comments must be directly related to the criteria listed in 15 CFR part 705.4 of the regulations.

A Commerce Department official will be designated to preside at the hearings. The presiding officer shall determine all procedural matters during the hearings. Representatives from the Commerce Department and other U.S. Government agencies will make up the hearing panel. This will be a fact-finding proceeding; it will not be a judicial or evidentiary-type hearing. Only members of the hearing panel may ask questions, and there will be no cross-examination of persons presenting statements. However, questions submitted to the

presiding officer in writing may, at the discretion of the presiding officer, be posed to the presenter. No formal rules of evidence will apply to the hearings.

Any further procedural rules for the proper conduct of the hearing will be announced by the presiding officer.

#### **Special Accommodations**

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be received by the Department of Commerce no later than Friday, June 29, 2001 at the address indicated in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

Dated: June 8, 2001.

**Matthew S. Borman,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Export Administration.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

### **National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

[I.D. 061101B]

#### **Pacific Albacore Logbook**

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

**ACTION:** Proposed information 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, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506 (c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before August 13, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Madeleine Clayton, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6086, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington DC 20230 (or via Internet at [MClayton@doc.gov](mailto:MClayton@doc.gov)).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Al Coan, Southwest Fisheries Science Center, 8604 La Jolla Shores Drive, P.O. Box 271, La Jolla, CA 92038-0271 (phone 858-546-7079).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Abstract**

Fishermen participating on the Pacific albacore tuna fishery are asked to voluntarily complete and submit logbooks documenting their catch and effort on fishing trips. Persons possessing High Seas Fishing Compliance Act permits are required to submit such logbooks. The information obtained is used by the agency to assess the status of albacore stocks and to monitor the fishery.

**II. Method of Collection**

A logbook form is used.

**III. Data**

*OMB Number:* 0648-0223.

*Form Number:* NOAA Form 88-197.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.

*Affected Public:* Business and other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 200.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 1 hour for a trip logbook.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 400.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$128.

**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: June 8, 2001.

**Gwellnar Banks,**

*Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

[I.D. 061101C]

**Cooperative Tagging Center; Fish Tagging Report**

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

**ACTION:** Proposed information 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, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506 (c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before July 16, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Madeleine Clayton, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6086, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington DC 20230 (or via Internet at MClayton@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. Eric D. Prince, F/ SEC2, Room 320A, 75 Virginia Beach Drive, Miami, FL 33149-1003 (phone 305-361-4248).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Abstract**

The Cooperative Tagging Center attempts to determine the migratory patterns and other biological information about billfish, tunas, and other game fish. Volunteer anglers are asked to tag and release their catch. Anglers provide information about the fish tagged and the location of tagging.

**II. Method of Collection**

Respondents fill out and mail in a Fish Tagging Report card when they tag a fish.

**III. Data**

*OMB Number:* 0648-0247.

*Form Number:* NOAA Form 88-162.

*Type of Review:*

*Affected Public:* Individuals or households.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 12,000.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 2 minutes.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 360.

*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: June 8, 2001.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

[061101G]

**Individual Fishing Quotas Program for Pacific Halibut and Sablefish in the Alaska Fisheries**

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

**ACTION:** Proposed information 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, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before August 13, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Madeleine Clayton, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6086,