

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

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Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Request for Research Proposals (RFP); Closing Date Extension

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

ACTION: Closing date extension of notice of solicitation for applications.

SUMMARY: NMFS published a notice in the **Federal Register** on July 25, 2001, soliciting proposals for research projects. The notice described how the application and selection process for research projects to be funded by a set-aside from the Total Allowable Landings (TAL) of selected species will operate. This document extends the closing date for research proposals to no later than 5 p.m., EDT on September 14, 2001, in order to provide the fishing industry and academia ample opportunity to collaborate and apply for the research set-aside allocations.

DATES: The closing date for receipt of proposals or addenda to preexisting proposals is extended until September 14, 2001. All research proposals must be received no later than 5 p.m., EDT, on September 14, 2001, in the Northeast Regional Office (see **ADDRESSES**). Applications that are postmarked but not received by that time will not be accepted. Facsimile applications will not be accepted.

ADDRESSES: Proposals must be submitted to Patricia A. Kurkul, Regional Administrator, NMFS, Northeast Regional Office, 1 Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930. Mark proposals "Attention: Mid-Atlantic Research Proposals."

Copies of the Standard Forms for submission of research proposals may be found on the Internet in a PDF (Portable Document Format) version at <http://www.ofa.noaa.gov/grants/index.html> under the title "Grants Management Forms," or by contacting the Council office (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Daniel Furlong, Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, (302) 674-2331 or David Gouveia, Fishery Policy Analyst, NMFS, (978) 281-9280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the **Federal Register** issue of July 25, 2001 (66 FR 38636), a notice of request for proposals for research projects established a deadline for receipt of research proposals of August 24, 2001. The closing date for receipt of applications is hereby extended until September 14, 2001, in order to provide the fishing industry and academia ample opportunity to collaborate and apply for the research set-aside allocations. All applicants that have submitted proposals prior to the original closing date of August 24, 2001, will be allowed to modify their proposals by providing a supplement, addendum, or re-submission of their research proposal. Please refer to the July 25, 2001, **Federal Register** notice for further information on proposal requirements.

Dated: August 23, 2001.

John Oliver,

Acting Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer invites comments on the submission for OMB review as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before September 28, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Crystal Thomas, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or should be electronically mailed to the internet address CAThomas@omb.eop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or

Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The Leader, Regulatory Information Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment.

Dated: August 23, 2001.

John Tressler,

Leader, Regulatory Information Management, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of Postsecondary Education

Type of Review: Revision.

Title: Grant Application for the FIPSE Comprehensive Program.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions; State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 1,650.

Burden Hours: 19,500.

Abstract: The Comprehensive Program is a discretionary grant award program of the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education (FIPSE). Applications are submitted in two stages—preliminary and final. The program supports innovative reform projects that hold promise as models for the resolution of important issues and problems in postsecondary education. Grants made under this program are expected to contribute new information in educational practice that can be shared with others. As its name suggests, the Comprehensive Program may support activities in any discipline, program, or student service. Nonprofit institutions and organization offering postsecondary education programs are eligible applicants. The Comprehensive Program has established a record of meaningful and lasting improvement to access and quality in postsecondary education.

This information collection is being submitted under the Streamlined Clearance Process for Discretionary Grant Information Collections (1890-0001). Therefore, the 30-day public comment period notice will be the only public comment notice published for this information collection.