

prosoma width, and 2.5 kg for weight. These averages are slightly lower than 2002.

In 2003, a total of 725 horseshoe crabs from the Reserve were tagged and released at the water's edge on Highs Beach, New Jersey. The beach was checked frequently, following release, to ensure the crabs had returned to the water. Twenty-eight crabs or 6.2 percent were recovered from the 2001 and 2002 tagging of 450 horseshoe crabs. There were 20 recoveries or 8 percent from the 250 horseshoe crabs tagged in 2001. Of these, 13 crabs were found alive and 7 were found dead. None of these crabs were bled for production of LAL in 2001. There were eight live returns or 4 percent from the 2002 tagging of 200 crabs, no dead returns were documented. The bled, tagged crabs were found spawning along the Delaware Bay shore in both New Jersey (Gradys, Fortescue, and Thompson beaches) and Delaware (Bowers, Kitts Hummock, and Slaughter beaches). The dates of recovery ranged from May 11 to June 23, coinciding with the spawning season. Tagged horseshoe crabs that were utilized for the manufacture of LAL in 2002 were observed spawning on Delaware Bay beaches in 2003.

Data collected under the EFP were supplied to NOAA Fisheries, the Commission, and the State of New Jersey.

Proposed 2004 EFP

Limuli Laboratories proposes to conduct an exempted fishery operation using the same means, methods, and seasons utilized during the EFPs in 2001–2003, as described below under terms and conditions. In addition, Limuli proposes to increase the percent of horseshoe crabs tagged from 10 to 15 percent.

The proposed EFP would exempt two commercial vessels from regulations at 50 CFR 697.7(e), which prohibit fishing for horseshoe crabs in the Reserve under § 697.23(f)(1) and prohibit possession of horseshoe crabs on a vessel with a trawl or dredge gear aboard in the same Reserve.

Limuli Laboratories, in cooperation with the State of New Jersey's Division of Fish and Wildlife, submitted an application for an EFP dated March 30, 2004, which was received on April 9, 2004. NMFS has made a preliminary determination that the subject EFP contains all the required information and warrants further consideration. NMFS has also made a preliminary determination that the activities authorized under the EFP would be consistent with the goals and objectives of the Federal horseshoe crab

regulations and the Commission's Horseshoe Crab ISFMP.

Regulations at 50 CFR 600.745(b)(3)(v) authorize NMFS to attach terms and conditions to the EFP consistent with: the purpose of the exempted fishery, the objectives of horseshoe crab regulations and fisheries management plan, and other applicable law. NMFS is considering adding the following terms and conditions to the EFP:

1. Limiting the number of horseshoe crabs collected in the Reserve to no more than 500 per day and to a total of no more than 10,000 per year;

2. Requiring collections to take place over a total of approximately 20 days during the months of July, August, September, October, and early November. Horseshoe crabs are readily available in harvestable concentrations nearshore earlier in the year, and offshore in the Reserve during July through early November;

3. Requiring that a 5½ inch (14.0 cm) flounder net be used by the vessel to collect the horseshoe crabs. This condition would allow for continuation of traditional harvest gear and adds to the consistency in the way horseshoe crabs are harvested for data collection;

4. Limiting trawl tow times to 30 minutes as a conservation measure to protect sea turtles, which are expected to be migrating through the area during the collection period, and are vulnerable to bottom trawling;

5. Restricting the hours of fishing to daylight hours only, approximately from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. to aid law enforcement. NMFS also is considering a requirement that the State of New Jersey Law Enforcement be notified daily as to when and where the collection will take place;

6. Requiring that the collected horseshoe crabs be picked up from the fishing vessels at docks in the Cape May Area and transported to local laboratories, bled for LAL, and released alive the following morning into the Lower Delaware Bay; and

7. Requiring that any turtle take be reported to NOAA Fisheries, NMFS, NERO Assistant Regional Administrator of Protected Resources Division [phone, (978) 281–9328] within 24 hours of returning from the trip in which the incidental take occurred.

Also as part of the terms and conditions of the EFP, for all horseshoe crabs bled for LAL, NMFS is considering a requirement that the EFP holder provide data on sex ratio and daily numbers, and tag 15 percent of the horseshoe crabs harvested. Also, the EFP holder may be required to examine at least 200 horseshoe crabs for:

1. Morphometric data, by sex (e.g., interocular distance and weight), and
2. Level of activity, as measured by a response or by distance traveled after release on a beach.

Based on the results of this EFP, this action may lead to future rulemaking.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: May 28, 2004.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Kids.us Forum: Developing a Safe Place on the Internet for Children

AGENCY: National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce

ACTION: Notice of Public Meeting

SUMMARY: The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), U.S. Department of Commerce, will host a half-day forum, entitled “The kids.us Internet Domain: Developing a Safe Place on the Internet for Children.” The forum will address the current state of the kids.us domain and future content and applications for the space.

DATES: The Kids.us Forum will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. on Wednesday, July 14, 2004.

ADDRESSES: The Kids.us Forum will be held at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 4830, Washington, D.C. (Entrance to the Department of Commerce is on 14th Street between Constitution and Pennsylvania Avenues.)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sallianne Schagrin, Office of Policy Analysis and Development, NTIA, at (202) 482–1880, or electronic mail: sschagrin@ntia.doc.gov. Please direct media inquiries to the Office of Public Affairs, NTIA, at (202) 482–7002.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: According to NTIA's 2002 report, *A Nation Online*, almost 60 percent of American children between the ages of 5 and 17 use the Internet. Ninety-nine percent of public schools in the United States had access to the Internet according to the U.S. Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics as of fall 2002.

Internet access has benefitted children enormously by giving them new research tools and information sources, new avenues of expression, expanded and more collaborative learning opportunities, and connections to other communities. Parents want the Internet to be a place where children can access educational material and enjoy their experiences. Unfortunately, Internet access can also potentially expose children to unsafe content.

On December 4, 2002, President Bush signed into law HR 3833, the Dot Kids Implementation and Efficiency Act of 2002 (Dot Kids Act), giving parents and educators an additional tool to help protect children from these dangers. The Dot Kids Act required the Department of Commerce to modify the management of the .us country code top level domain to establish kids.us, a safe space on the Internet for our nation's children. The law also required NTIA to publicize the availability of the new domain and to educate parents regarding using the kids.us domain in combination with blocking and filtering technologies.

NTIA amended its contract with NeuStar, Inc., the private sector company which manages the .us country code top level domain, to establish kids.us and to monitor sites in the domain space for content and safety. NeuStar ensures that all content on kids.us websites is suitable for children under 13 years of age. Moreover, interactive services or hyperlinks that take a user outside of the kids.us domain are prohibited.

NeuStar launched general registrations for domain names in kids.us on September 4, 2003, and established a portal at www.kids.us to highlight websites in the space. Currently, kids.us is home to thirteen active websites. These websites showcase information about arts and entertainment, computers and technology, sports and recreation, science and government, and much more.

The purpose of the Kids.us Forum is to bring together technology experts, community and children's advocates, parents and educators and other interested parties to discuss the potential of the kids.us domain, and to assist would be users of the domain and prospective content providers in fulfilling their goals with the domain. The forum will consist of two panel discussions. The first panel will address the current state of kids.us, current uses of kids.us by parents and educators, future content and applications for kids.us, how kids.us can meet the needs of communities, and the interrelationship between kids.us and

filtering and blocking technology, as well as other future technologies. Panelists will include representatives from online child-safety organizations, Congress, community groups, Internet filtering and blocking technology providers, and hardware and software developers. The second panel will address the process of developing a site in the kids.us domain, as well as lessons learned from current content providers, challenges for future content providers, and the resources available to assist would be content providers. Panelists will include representatives from current and prospective providers of content within the kids.us domain, foundations, and technology companies.

More information on the Kids.us Forum will be available on NTIA's web site at www.ntia.doc.gov/kidsdotusforum.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: The Kids.us Forum will be open to the public and press on a first-come, first-served basis. Space is limited. Due to security requirements and to facilitate entry to the Department of Commerce building, attendees must present photo identification and/or a U.S. Government building pass, if applicable, and should arrive at least one-half hour ahead of the panel sessions. The public meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Any member of the public wishing to attend and requiring special services, such as sign language interpretation or other ancillary aids, should contact Sallianne Schagrin at (202) 482-1880 or at sschagrin@ntia.doc.gov at least three (3) days prior to the meeting.

Dated: May 28, 2004.

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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 July 6, 2004.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be addressed to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs,

Attention: Alice Thaler, Desk Officer, Department of Education, Office of Management and Budget, 725 17th Street, NW., Room 10222, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503 or faxed to (202) 395-6974.

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: June 1, 2004.

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Institute of Education Sciences

Type of Review: Revision.

Title: Early Childhood Longitudinal Study: Birth Cohort/Preschool Year.

Frequency: One-time.

Affected Public: Individuals or household; Businesses or other for-profit; Not-for-profit institutions.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 2,398.

Burden Hours: 1,551.

Abstract: The Early Childhood Longitudinal Study, Birth Cohort (ECLS-B) is a nationally representative longitudinal study of children born in the year 2001. The preschool year follow-up represents the third round of data collection for members of this cohort. Children are assessed using state of the art assessment tools, parents are interviewed as well as child care providers and school personnel. Together with the Kindergarten