

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration****Availability of Seats for the Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council**

**AGENCY:** National Marine Sanctuary Program (NMSP), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Department of Commerce (DOC).

**ACTION:** Notice and request for applications.

**SUMMARY:** The Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary (CBNMS or Sanctuary) is seeking applicants for the following vacant seats on its Sanctuary Advisory Council (Council): *Community At Large Marin County Primary seat, Community at Large Sonoma County Alternate seat.* Applicants are chosen based upon their particular expertise and experience in relation to the seat for which they are applying; community and professional affiliations; philosophy regarding the protection and management of marine resources; and possibly the length of residence in the area affected by the Sanctuary. Applicants who are chosen as members should expect to serve a 3 year term, pursuant to the Council's Charter.

**DATES:** Applications are due by August 17th, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Application kits may be obtained from Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary, Rowena Forest, P.O. Box 159, Olema, CA 94950. And at <http://cordellbank.noaa.gov/welcome.html>. Completed applications should be sent to the above post office address.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Rowena Forest/CBNMS, P.O. Box 159 Olema, CA 94950, (415) 663-0314 x105, and [Rowena.forest@noaa.gov](mailto:Rowena.forest@noaa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Advisory Council for Cordell Bank was established in 2002 to support the joint management plan review process currently underway for the CBNMS and its neighboring sanctuaries, Gulf of the Farallones and Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuaries. The Council has members representing education, research, conservation, maritime activity, and community-at-large. The government seats are held by representatives from the National Marine Fisheries Service, the United States Coast Guard, and the Managers of the Gulf of the Farallones, Monterey Bay and Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuaries. The Council holds four

regular meetings per year, and one annual retreat.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1431, *et seq.*  
(Federal Domestic Assistance Catalog Number 11.429 Marine Sanctuary Program)

Dated: July 9, 2007.

**Daniel J. Basta,**  
*Director, National Marine Sanctuary Program, National Ocean Services, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.*

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

**RIN 0648-XB40**

**Endangered Species and Marine Mammals; File No. 10014**

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

**ACTION:** Notice; receipt of application.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP), Division of Science, Research and Technology, P.O. Box 409, Trenton, NJ 08625-0409, has applied in due form for a permit to take marine mammals and sea turtles for purposes of scientific research.

**DATES:** Written, telefaxed, or e-mail comments must be received on or before August 15, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301)713-2289; fax (301)427-2521; and Northeast Region, NMFS, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930-2298; phone (978)281-9300; fax (978)281-9394.

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this application should be mailed to the Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

Comments may also be submitted by facsimile at (301)427-2521, provided the facsimile is confirmed by hard copy

submitted by mail and postmarked no later than the closing date of the comment period.

Comments may also be submitted by e-mail. The mailbox address for providing e-mail comments is [NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov](mailto:NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov). Include in the subject line of the e-mail comment the following document identifier: File No. 10014.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Patrick Opaty or Carrie Hubard, (301)713-2289.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (MMPA; 16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216) and the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR 222-226).

The NJDEP seeks permission to conduct research to elucidate the distribution and abundance of baleen whales, odontocete whales, pinnipeds, and sea turtles. Research would include take by survey approach during shipboard and aircraft transect surveys of up to 200 common dolphins, 410 bottlenose dolphins, 100 Atlantic spotted dolphins, 100 striped dolphins, 100 pantropical spotted dolphins, 100 spinner dolphins, 100 clymene dolphins, 10 Northern bottlenosed whales, 10 melon-headed whales, 25 white-sided dolphins, 10 white-beaked dolphins, 10 Risso's dolphins, 200 pilot whales, 100 harbor porpoises, 10 killer whales, 10 sperm whales, 10 Cuvier's beaked whales, 10 Mesoplodon whales, 20 pygmy/dwarf sperm whales, 10 pygmy killer whales, 10 blue whales, 10 sei whales, 25 minke whales, 100 fin whales, 100 humpback whales, 300 Northern right whales, 1400 harbor seals, 400 gray seals, 25 harp seals, 25 hooded seals, 10 hawksbill sea turtles, 100 leatherback sea turtles, 600 loggerhead sea turtles, 100 Kemp's ridley sea turtles, and 50 green sea turtles. The study area would include U.S. waters offshore of southern New Jersey out to a distance of 20 nautical miles. A five-year permit is requested.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: July 10, 2007.

**P. Michael Payne,**

Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education  
Division, Office of Protected Resources,  
National Marine Fisheries Service.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

[No. DoD-2007-HA-0073]

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

In compliance with Section 3506 (c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs announces a new information collection. 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 of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Consideration will be given to all comments received by September 14, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Mail:* Federal Docket Management System Office, 1160 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-1160.

*Instructions:* All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs (OASD), TRICARE—Health Program Analysis and Evaluation, ATTN: LtCol Lorraine Babeu, 5111 Leesburg Pike, Suite 810A, Falls Church, VA 22041-3206, or call (703) 681-0039.

*Title and OMB Number:* Public Perceptions of Military Health Care; OMB Control Number 0720-TBD.

*Needs and Uses:* The goal of this survey effort is to determine the public's perceptions of Military Health Care and compare and contrast that with their perceptions of U.S. Health Care.

*Affected Public:* Individuals or Households.

*Annual Burden Hours:* 133.

*Number of Respondents:* 1,000.

*Responses Per Respondent:* 1.

*Average Burden Per Response:* .133 (8 minutes).

*Frequency:* Annually.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### Summary of Information Collection

The goal of this survey effort is to understand and compare the public's perceptions of Military health care to that of Health Care in general in the United States. The Military Health Care System's vision statement is—"A world class health system that supports the military mission by fostering, protecting, sustaining and restoring health". Recent developments have tarnished that vision. The media have focused attention on the plight of wounded military personnel in the direct care environment, Walter Reed specifically. They have published various articles and stories on the shortfalls of Military Health Care to include support services (Medical Evaluation Boards, Physical Evaluation Boards, Housing, Pay, etc.) as provided in accounts from beneficiary and other sources. There are numerous and ongoing anecdotal accounts of red tape, bureaucracy, physician shortages (particularly mental health care workers), substandard care, neglect, problems with consults and appointments, and overall perceived deep and systemic failures of the Military Health Care System. HA/TMA is very concerned about the implications of these negative accounts of Military Health Care on the perceptions of the public regarding the provision of health care, ancillary and support services. HA/TMA would like to understand the extent to which the public holds negative perceptions of the

system, what their perceptions were/are about Military Health Care in general and what can be done, if anything, to help regain the public's trust in this important resource since this current breach occurred. We would also like to compare and contrast the public's perceptions of Military Health Care with those of Health Care in the public arena as a way to gain more insight into the issue. Moreover, health care for military personnel and their family members has often been cited as one of the key recruitment and retention tools for the Department. Data from this survey will help establish a baseline for understanding the public's attitude about Military Health Care and help determine if changes in the system based on recommended interventions such as increased staffing, computerized medical records, streamlined processes and procedures, etc., will improve the public's perceptions or attitudes. For the purposes of this survey, Military Health Care is defined as medical and dental care for individuals entitled to health care under 10 USC, Chapter 55.

Dated: July 9, 2007.

**Patricia L. Toppings,**

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison  
Officer, Department of Defense.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

[USN-2007-0040]

### United States Marine Corps; Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

**AGENCY:** United States Marine Corps, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice to add a records system.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Marine Corps is adding a system of records notice from its inventory of records systems subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, as amended (5 U.S.C. 552a).

**DATES:** The addition will be effective on August 15, 2007 unless comments are received that would result in a contrary determination.

**ADDRESSES:** Send comments to Headquarters, U.S. Marine Corps, FOIA/PA Section (CMC-ARSE), 2 Navy Annex, Room 1005, Washington, DC 20380-1775.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ms. Tracy D. Ross at (703) 614-4008.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The U.S. Marine Corps' records system notices for records systems subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, have been published in the