

ACTION: Notice.

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.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before June 30, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Walter Ikehara, (808) 944-2275 or Walter.Ikehara@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Abstract**

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) requires longline vessel operators to notify NMFS in the event an endangered short-tailed albatross is hooked or entangled during fishing operations. Following the retrieval of the seabird from the ocean, as required by Federal regulations, the vessel captain must record the condition of the injured short-tailed albatross on a recovery data form. The information will be used by a veterinarian in providing advice to the captain caring for the short-tailed albatross. If the albatross is dead, the captain must attach an identification tag to the carcass to assist the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) biologists in follow-up studies on the specimen. This collection is one of the terms and conditions contained in the biological opinion issued by USFWS, and is intended to maximize the probability of the long-term survival of short-tailed albatross accidentally taken by longline gear.

II. Method of Collection

Information is submitted in hard copy.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0456.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations; individuals or households.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1.

Estimated Time per Response: 60 minutes each for notification, reporting, and tagging and specimen handling.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 3.

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: April 25, 2008.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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

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General Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section to the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission; Meeting Announcement

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces a meeting of the General Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section to the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) on June 2, 2008. Meeting topics are provided under the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

DATES: The meeting will be held on June 2, 2008, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (or until business is concluded), Pacific time.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Large Conference Room at NMFS,

Southwest Fisheries Science Center, 8604 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla, California, 92037-1508. Please notify Allison Routt prior to May 19, 2008, of your plans to attend the meeting.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Allison Routt at (562)980-4019 or (562)980-4030.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the Tuna Conventions Act, as amended, the Department of State has appointed a General Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section to the IATTC. The U.S. Section consists of the four U.S. Commissioners to the IATTC and the representative of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for Oceans and Fisheries. The Advisory Committee supports the work of the U.S. Section in a solely advisory capacity with respect to U.S. participation in the work of the IATTC, with particular reference to the development of policies and negotiating positions pursued at meetings of the IATTC. NMFS, Southwest Region, administers the Advisory Committee in cooperation with the Department of State.

Meeting Topics

The General Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section to the IATTC will meet to receive and discuss information on: (1) 2007 and 2008 IATTC activities, (2) status of the stocks and status of the fishery in 2007, (3) recent and upcoming meetings of the IATTC and its working groups, (4) conservation and management measures for yellowfin and bigeye tuna for 2008 and beyond, measures to be taken in the absence of conservation and management measures, (5) regulation of U.S. vessels if no IATTC conservation and management measures for 2008 and beyond are adopted, (6) exemption for small U.S. purse vessels, (7) measures to be taken in cases of non-compliance with the IATTC's conservation and management measures, (8) management of fishing capacity, (9) measures to address bycatch (such as juvenile tunas, sea turtles, seabirds, and sharks), (10) financial issues pertinent to the financial solvency of the IATTC, (11) IATTC cooperation with other regional fishery management organizations, (12) implementing legislation for the Antigua Convention, (13) administrative matters pertaining to the General Advisory Committee, and other issues as they arise.

Special Accommodations

The meeting location is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids

should be directed to Allison Routt at (562) 980-4019 or (562) 980-4030 by May 19, 2008.

Dated: April 24, 2008.

Emily H. Menashes,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Unified Synthesis Product Development Committee

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of Open Meeting.

SUMMARY: A major activity of the Climate Change Science Program (CCSP) is the production of a series of 21 Synthesis and Assessment Products (SAPs) that are designed to inform and aid decision making by policy makers, resource managers, stakeholders, the media, and the general public on issues related to global climate change. The Unified Synthesis Product (USP) Development Committee (USPDC), established by a Decision Memorandum on February 29, 2008, is the Federal Advisory Committee charged with responsibility to develop a draft USP that will synthesize the information contained in the 21 SAPs in the context of other recent climate and global change scientific studies and formal assessments. Please note that meeting location, times, and agenda topics described here are subject to change. Meeting information will be available online on the USPDC website: http://www.climate.noaa.gov/index.jsp?pg=/.ccsp/unified_synthesis.jsp

DATES: The meeting will convene at 8 a.m. on Monday, May 19, 2008 and adjourn at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 20, 2008. Written comments (at least 35 copies) should be received by the USPDC Designated Federal Official (DFO) by May 2, 2008 to provide sufficient time for review. Written comments received after May 2 will be distributed to the USPDC, but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting date.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Christopher D. Miller, USPDC DFO and the Program Manager, NOAA/OAR/Climate Program Office, Climate Change Data and Detection Program Element,

1315 East-West Highway, Room 12239, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910; telephone 301-734-1241, e-mail: Christopher.D.Miller@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

STATUS: The meeting will be open to public participation and will include a 30-minute public comment period on May 19, 8 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. (check the USPDC website to confirm this time and the room in which the meeting will be held). In general, each individual or group making a verbal presentation will be limited to a total time of five (5) minutes. Seats will be available to the public on a first-come, first-served basis. **MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED:** The meeting will finalize plans for completion and submission of the First Draft of the CCSP Unified Synthesis Product to the National Research Council for peer review.

Dated: April 24, 2008.

William J. Brennan,

Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for International Affairs, and Acting Director, Climate Change Science Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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U.S. Climate Change Science Program Synthesis and Assessment Product Draft Report 3.4 "Abrupt Climate Change"

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of availability and request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration publishes this notice to announce a 45-day public comment period for the draft report titled, U.S. Climate Change Science Program Synthesis and Assessment Product 3.4 "Abrupt Climate Change." This draft report is being released solely for the purpose of pre-dissemination peer review under applicable information quality guidelines. This document has not been formally disseminated by NOAA. It does not represent and should not be construed to represent any Agency policy or determination. After consideration of comments received on the draft report, a revised version along with the comments received will be published on the CCSP web site.

DATES: Comments must be received by June 16, 2008.

ADDRESSES: The draft Synthesis and Assessment Product: 3.4 is posted on the CCSP Web site at: <http://www.climate-science.gov/Library/sap/sap3-4/default.php>

Detailed instructions for making comments on this draft report are provided on the SAP 3.4 webpage. Comments must be prepared in accordance to these instructions and must be submitted to:

3.4-abrupt@climate-science.gov

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Fabien Laurier, Climate Change Science Program Office, 1717 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 250, Washington, DC 20006, Telephone: (202)419-3481.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The CCSP was established by the President in 2002 to coordinate and integrate scientific research on global change and climate change sponsored by 13 participating departments and agencies of the U.S. Government. The CCSP is charged with preparing information resources that promote climate-related discussions and decisions, including scientific synthesis and assessment analyses that support evaluation of important policy issues.

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William J. Brennan,

Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for International Affairs, and Acting Director, Climate Change Science Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

National Security Education Board Group of Advisors Meeting

AGENCY: Under Secretary of Defense Personnel and Readiness, DoD.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to Public Law 92-463, notice is hereby given of a forthcoming meeting of the National Security Education Board Group of Advisors. The purpose of the meeting is to review and make recommendations to the Board concerning requirements established by the David L. Boren National Security Education Act, Title VIII of Public Law 102-183, as amended.

DATES: May 12-13, 2008.

ADDRESSES: Glastonbury Riverfront Community Center, 300 Welles Street, Glastonbury, CT 06033.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Kevin Gormley, Program Officer,