ACTION: Notice of advisory committee renewal.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Secretary of Commerce has determined that the renewal of the Census Advisory Committee on the African American Population, Census Advisory Committee on the American Indian and Alaska Native Populations, Census Advisory Committee on the Asian Population, Census Advisory Committee on the Hispanic Populations and Census Advisory Committee on the Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander Population are in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed by law on the U.S. Department of Commerce.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact Jeri Green, Chief, Census Advisory Committee Office, U.S. Census Bureau, Washington, DC 20233, telephone 301–763–2075, Jeri.Green@Census.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Title 5 United States Code App. 2, and the General Services Administration (GSA) rule on Federal Advisory Committee Management, Title 41 Code of Federal Regulations Part 101–6, and after consultation with GSA, the Secretary of Commerce has determined that the renewal of the Census Advisory Committee on the African American Population, Census Advisory Committee on the American Indian and Alaska Native Populations, Census Advisory Committee on the Asian Population, Census Advisory Committee on the Hispanic Populations and Census Advisory Committee on the Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander Population are in the public interest in connection with the performance of duties imposed by law on the U.S. Department of Commerce.

These committees were established in 1970 to obtain expertise relating to major programs, such as the decennial census and American Community Survey. Meeting the standards set forth in Executive Order 12838, in that its charter is of compelling national interest and that other methods of obtaining public participation have been considered, the committees were rechartered in March 2002, February 2004, February 2006, and again in February 2008. These committees will consist of nine members with a substantial interest in the conduct and outcome of the Census Bureau’s communication, decennial, demographic, geographic, Information Technology, and other programs. The committees include representatives from the public and private sectors, community-based organizations, academic institutions, and the public-at-large, which are further diversified by ethnicity, life experience, geographic area, and other variables.

These committees will function solely as advisory bodies and in compliance with provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act. Copies of the revised charters are filed with the appropriate committees of Congress and with the Library of Congress.


Robert M. Groves,
Director, Bureau of the Census.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Socioeconomic Research and Monitoring for the Gray’s Reef National Marine Sanctuary

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

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 May 21, 2010.

ADDITIONS: 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 dhynex@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be sent to Dr. Vernon Leeworthy, 301–713–7261 or Bob.Leeeworthy@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The purpose of this information collection is to obtain socioeconomic information in the Grays Reef National Marine Sanctuary (GRNMS). The GRNMS has recently revised its management plan. Two issues emerged as top priorities leading to efforts to change management strategies and regulations: (1) Prohibition of spear fishing and (2) research only area. Information was obtained to assess the potential socioeconomic impacts of the prohibition of spear fishing and research only area alternatives. Preferred alternatives have been chosen and the regulatory process to implement the regulations is underway. The study involves surveys of recreational user groups, which are potentially impacted by the regulations, to assess their knowledge, attitudes and perceptions of the management strategies and regulations and how they were actually impacted post implementation, and to guide education and outreach efforts.

Information will be collected on spatial use for all user groups to assess the extent of potential displacement of activity from the research only area alternative. For business operations, costs and earnings will be obtained to assess the impact of regulatory alternatives on business profits. Socioeconomic/demographic information on owners/operators and number of employees and family members of owners/operators will also be obtained.

For members of households that participate in recreational fishing or recreational SCUBA diving, information will be collected on socioeconomic/demographic profiles, spending associated with their activity, economic user value associated with their activity, and knowledge, attitudes and perceptions about GRNMS management strategies and regulations.

II. Method of Collection

Interviews will generally be used. For business operations, a team will go to the business establishment and work with the business owner/staff to compile the information requested. Questionnaire forms and maps will be used to guide the information collection. For members of private households engaging in recreational activities, combinations of face-to-face, mail and Internet surveys will be conducted.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: None.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Individuals or households; business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 360.

Estimated Time Per Response: Recreational fishing charter/party boat
operations, 2 hours; members of private households participating in recreational activities, 30 minutes; and dive charter/guide operations, 2 hours.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 195.

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.


Gwellnar Banks, Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Application(s) for Duty–Free Entry of Scientific Instruments

Pursuant to Section 6(c) of the Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials Importation Act of 1966 (Pub. L. 89–651, as amended by Pub. L. 106–36; 80 Stat. 897; 15 CFR part 301), we invite comments on the question of whether instruments of equivalent scientific value, for the purposes for which the instruments shown below are intended to be used, are being manufactured in the United States.

Comments must comply with 15 CFR 301.5(a)(3) and (4) of the regulations and be postmarked on or before April 12, 2010. Address written comments to Statutory Import Programs Staff, Room 3720, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. 20230. Applications may be examined between 8:30 A.M. and 5:00 P.M. at the U.S. Department of Commerce in Room 3720.

Docket Number: 10–004. Applicant: State University of New York at Geneseo, Erwin Hall 218, 1 College Circle, Geneseo, NY 14454. Instrument: MultiView 2000TS Microscope System. Manufacturer: Nanonics Imaging Ltd., Israel. Intended Use: This instrument will be used, among other things, to study the folding structure of A–β proteins around nanostructures. This instrument combines an optical microscope with a scanning probe imaging system. Specifically, this instrument can perform near-field scanning optical microscopy. A pertinent feature of this instrument is the ability to switch between scanning the tip and the sample stage. It is also well suited for soft materials than other instruments, as it detects the probe coming close to the sample surface by monitoring a frequency shift in a nanotuning fork. Other unique features include the ability to use conventional AFM type silicon cantilevers as well as cantilevered optical fiber probes with exposed probe geometry, providing normal force sensing; the capability to image side walls with an exposed tip glass AFM probe and the ability to image in both NSOM and AFM with AC operating modes. Justification for Duty–Free Entry: No instruments of same general category are believed to be manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: March 10, 2010.


Christopher Cassel, Director, IA Subsidies Enforcement Office.

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Docket Number: 10–003. Applicant: St. Lawrence University, 23 Romoda Drive, Canton, NY 13617. Instrument: Electron Microscope. Manufacturer: FEI, Czech Republic. Intended Use: This instrument will be used in the advanced study of diverse fields such as geochemistry, sedimentology and neurophysiology. This instrument has several SE detectors that are optimized for use in high–vacuum, low–vacuum and ultra–low vacuum environments and can be freely switched between these three modes. This allows for the investigation of conductive, non–conductive and high vacuum incompatible specimens. Justification for Duty–Free Entry: No instruments of same general category are manufactured in the United States. Application accepted by Commissioner of Customs: March 3, 2010.


Christopher Cassel, Director, IA Subsidies Enforcement Office.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Availability of Grant Funds for Fiscal Year 2010: Amendment

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