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II. Method of Collection

On paper (faxed or mailed) or electronically. The Annual RCR Ex-Vessel Volume and Value Report, Crab Inter-Cooperative IFQ Transfer, and Transfer of Crab IPQ may be completed online.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0648-0514.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular Submission (extension of a currently approved collection).

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

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,920.

Estimated Time per Response: 2.5 hours for Application for Crab Individual Fishing Quota (IFQ) permit; 2.5 hours for Application for Crab Individual Processor Quota (IPQ) permit; 2.5 hours for Application for annual crab harvesting cooperative IFQ permit; 30 minutes for Application for Registered Crab Receiver (RCR) permit; 35 minutes for Application for crab IFQ hired master; 35 minutes for Application for Federal crab vessel permit; 2.5 hours for Application to become an eligible crab community organization (ECCO); 2 hours for Application for eligibility to receive Crab QS/IFQ or PQS/IPQ by transfer; 2 hours for Application for transfer of Crab QS/IFQ or PQS/IPQ; 2 hours for Application to transfer QS/IFQ to or from an ECCO; 2 hours for Application for Transfer of IFQ between Crab Harvesting Cooperatives; 30 minutes for RCR fee submission form; 40 hours for Right of First Refusal Provisions (ROFR); 30 minutes for ROFR Waiver; and 4 hours to file an appeal to NMFS Permit Decisions.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 4,472.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$ 12,425 in recordkeeping/reporting costs.

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: January 13, 2011.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Alaska Region; Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Crab Arbitration

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 March 21, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 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 Patsy A. Bearden, (907) 586-7008 or patsy.bearden@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This is an extension of a currently approved collection.

The Crab Rationalization Program allocates Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands (BSAI) crab resources among harvesters, processors, and coastal communities through a limited access system that balances the interests of these groups who depend on these fisheries. Program components include quota share allocation, processor quota share allocation, individual fishing quota and individual processing quota issuance, quota transfers, use caps, crab harvesting cooperatives, protections for Gulf of Alaska groundfish fisheries, arbitration system, monitoring, economic data collection, and cost recovery fee collection.

The Crab Rationalization Program Arbitration System is established by the contracts required pursuant to 50CF 680.20, including the process by which the Market Report and Non-Binding Price Formula are produced, as well as the negotiation approaches, the Binding Arbitration process, and fee collection.

II. Method of Collection

Responses are mailed, except the Non-Binding Price Formula Report may be submitted electronically.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0648-0516.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular Submission (extension of a currently approved collection).

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

Estimated Number of Respondents: 49.

Estimated Time per Response: Market Reports and Non-Binding Price Formula Reports, 40 hours each; Annual Arbitration Organization Reports, 4 hours; Miscellaneous Organization Reports, 1 hour; establishing price for arbitration negotiations, 45 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 743.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$ 5,374 in recordkeeping/reporting costs.

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: January 13, 2011.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XA153

Fisheries of the South Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico; South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council's Scientific and Statistical Committee will hold a meeting of its SSC to discuss the findings of its Socio-Economic sub-panel. *See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.*

DATES: The meeting will be held March 3, 2011, via conference call. *See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held by conference call from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m., EST on Thursday, March 3, 2011.

Listening stations are available at the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive #201, North Charleston, SC 29405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kim Iverson, Public Information Officer, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, North Charleston, SC 29405; telephone: (843) 571-4366; e-mail: Kim.Iverson@safmc.net.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Magnuson-Stevens Reauthorized Act, the SSC is the body responsible for reviewing the Council's scientific materials. The SSC will discuss recommendations of the Council's Social and Economic Sciences sub-Panel and develop recommendations for Regulatory Amendment 9 to the

Snapper-Grouper Regulatory FMP. The amendment addresses commercial trip limits alternatives for greater amberjack, vermilion snapper, black sea bass, and gag.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (*see ADDRESSES*) at least 3 business days prior to the meeting.

Dated: January 12, 2011.

Tracey L. Thompson,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XA133

National Annual Catch Limit Science Workshop; Meeting Announcement

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces a workshop which will focus potential areas of improvement in scientific information needed to support Annual Catch Limits (ACL) and Accountability Measures (AM). The meeting will be held on February 15-17, 2011, at the Crowne Plaza, Silver Spring, MD. Meeting topics are provided under the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this notice.

DATES: The meeting will be held on February 15-17, 2011, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. EST.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Crowne Plaza, Silver Spring, 8777 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD, telephone 1-877-270-1393.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Richard Methot, Office of Science and Technology, NMFS at richard.methot@noaa.gov, or at (206) 860-3365.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NOAA Fisheries Service is announcing a National Annual Catch Limit (ACL) Science Workshop on February 15-17, 2011, in Silver Spring, MD. The meeting will be held in conjunction with the regional Fishery Management Councils (Councils) and will involve NOAA Fisheries Service staff, Council representatives and nationally recognized fishery science experts.

The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA) was amended in 2007, to include a requirement to implement ACLs and accountability measures in the nation's fisheries. This mandate, and the subsequent update of National Standard 1 Guidelines, substantially changed the nature and amount of data needed to manage the nation's fisheries. The workshop will focus on scoping potential improvements in the state of scientific information needed to support implementation of the MSA, particularly the determination and implementation of Annual Catch Limits (ACL). The scope of this science issues associated with ACLs is quite broad, and not all topics can be fully covered. The proposed topics to be addressed include:

- Identifying data needs, and related costs, of conducting additional stock assessments.
- Calculating and communicating uncertainty in stock assessments.
- Considering socio-economic and ecosystem considerations, in the definition of optimum yield.
- Developing cost-effective approaches to developing ACLs and AMs for data-poor stocks.
- How to best use cooperative research programs to augment needed data.
- Coordinating the roles of Science Centers, SSCs, and peer review systems in providing the best scientific information available.
- Identifying improvements to commercial and recreational fishery monitoring programs to provide scientists and managers with the data they need.

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 Mark Nelson at (301) 713-2341 at least five working days prior to the meeting.