

- 100 percent of installed appliances and exhaust fans are Energy Star qualified. (2 points).
 - 100 percent of installed water heaters as Energy Star qualified. (2 points).
 - 100 percent of toilets with flush capacity of more than 1.6 gallon flush capacity are replaced with new toilets with 1.6 gallon capacity or less, with Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Water Sense label. (1 point).
 - 100 percent of showerheads are replaced with new showerheads with EPA Water Sense label. (1 point).
 - 100 percent of faucets are replaced with new faucets with EPA Water Sense label. (1 point).
 - 100 percent Energy-efficient lighting including Energy Star qualified fixtures, compact fluorescent replacement bulbs in standard incandescent fixtures, and Energy Star Ceiling Fans. (1 point); *and*,
- (3) Participation in local green/energy efficient building standards. Applicants, who participate in a city, county or municipality program, will receive an additional 2 points. The applicant should be aware of and look for additional requirements that are sometimes embedded in the third-party program's rating and verification systems. (2 points).

Dated: August 11, 2011.

Robert Lewis,

Acting Administrator, Housing and Community Facilities Programs.

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ARCHITECTURAL AND TRANSPORTATION BARRIERS COMPLIANCE BOARD

On Behalf of the Accessibility Committee of the Federal Chief Information Officers Council; Listening Session Regarding Improving the Accessibility of Government Information

AGENCY: Federal Chief Information Officers Council, Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board.

ACTION: Notice of meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a listening session that the Federal Chief Information Officers Council will be conducting to hear from the public on ways the federal government can take stronger steps toward improving the acquisition and implementation of accessible technology for people with disabilities. In order to better understand the needs of diverse

communities, the Federal Chief Information Officers Council, in collaboration with the Chief Acquisition Officers Council, the General Services Administration Office of Governmentwide Policy, and the U.S. Access Board, will hold a virtual listening session, where participants may either call in or log onto a Web site to participate and express concerns and propose ideas.

DATES: The listening session will be held on September 8, 2011 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Eastern Time (E.T.).

ADDRESSES: The listening session will be held by telephone and online. Instructions on how to participate are at: <http://www.access-board.gov/sec508/session-instructions.htm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tim Creagan, Office of Technical and Information Services, Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board, 1331 F Street, NW., Suite 1000, Washington, DC 20004-1111. Telephone (202) 272-0016 (voice) or (202) 272-0074 (TTY). e-mail address creagan@access-board.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In 1998, Congress amended the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 to require Federal agencies to make their electronic and information technology accessible to people with disabilities. Inaccessible technology interferes with an ability to obtain and use information quickly and easily. Section 508 of the Rehabilitation Act (29 U.S.C. 794d) was created to eliminate barriers in information technology, open new opportunities for people with disabilities, and encourage development of technologies that will help achieve these goals. The law applies to all federal agencies when they develop, procure, maintain, or use electronic and information technology. Under Section 508, agencies must give employees with disabilities and members of the public with disabilities access to information that is comparable to access available to others without disabilities.

Effective implementation of Section 508 is an essential element of President Obama's principles of open government, requiring that all government and data be accessible to all citizens. In order for the goal of open government to be meaningful for persons with disabilities, technology must also be accessible, including digital content.

On July 19, 2010, the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) took steps to assure that the Federal government's progress in implementing Section 508 is stronger and achieves results more quickly by releasing a memorandum to agencies, titled

"Improving the Accessibility of Government Information" (see http://www.whitehouse.gov/sites/default/files/omb/assets/procurement_memo/improving_accessibility_gov_info_07192010.pdf).

The OMB has directed that a series of listening sessions be held to gain feedback on ways to improve Section 508 performance. The Federal Chief Information Officers Council, in collaboration with the Chief Acquisition Officers Council, the General Services Administration Office of Governmentwide Policy, and the U.S. Access Board, have held four listening sessions to engage citizens and federal employees and hear their concerns and ideas. Transcripts from the previous listening sessions can be found on the Federal Chief Information Officers Council Accessibility Committee webpage (<http://www.cio.gov/pages.cfm/page/Listening-Sessions>). This final listening session will be a virtual session, where participants may either call in or log onto a website to participate. The listening session will focus on what steps the federal government can take to increase the accessibility and usability of government information and data for persons with disabilities. Input from private industry is sought on the following questions:

- What is private industry doing to implement information technology (IT) accessibility that the federal government should follow?

- How can implementation of Section 508 be improved?

- What could the federal government ask for that would allow vendors to better show that their products meet accessibility provisions?

- What support do newly emerging technology companies need to build in accessibility in their product and service offerings?

Input is also sought on the following questions:

- What can the federal government do to use technology better or in new ways?

- What can the federal government do to make technology more accessible?

- What emerging technologies does the federal government use that you cannot?

- What technologies should the federal government use that would enhance your interactions with government agencies?

- What are state and local governments doing to implement information technology accessibility that the federal government should follow?

- What is academia doing to implement IT accessibility that the federal government should follow?
- What can the federal government do to influence technology accessibility?
- What can the federal government do to support the availability of effective communities of practice on IT accessibility?
- Would the IT industry benefit from a professional certification or credential that denotes a company's expertise in accessibility? If so, how could it be implemented and what role should the government play?

Feedback from the listening session will be used by, and shared across agencies to improve accessibility and usability of electronic and information technology. The listening session will be accessible. Computer assisted real-time transcription (CART) will be provided. Persons wishing to participate in the virtual listening session can either call in and speak their comments over the telephone or go online and type them on the afternoon of the listening session. Callers should dial 1-877-939-0745 and then enter 51300082 # to join the session; callers must use a touch-tone telephone. Persons going online should go to the Access Board's Web site at <http://www.access-board.gov/sec508/session-instructions.htm> for instructions.

David M. Capozzi,

Executive Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Pacific Islands Region Vessel and Gear Identification Requirements.

OMB Control Number: 0648-0360.

Form Number(s): NA.

Type of Request: Regular submission (revision and extension of a current information collection).

Number of Respondents: 295.

Average Hours per Response: Vessel marking, 45 minutes or 75 minutes, depending on type of vessel; gear-marking, 2 minutes per each piece of gear.

Burden Hours: 1,110.

Needs and Uses: This request is for revision and extension of a current information collection.

Regulations at 50 CFR part 665, and at 50 CFR part 300 subparts D and O, require that all vessels (and their gear) with permits issued under authority of the National Marine Fishery Service's (NMFS) Fishery Management Plan for United States (U.S.) Pacific Island Region Fisheries display the vessel's official number. The numbers must be of a specific size and format and located at specified locations. The display of the identifying number aids in fishery law enforcement.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: Annually.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

OMB Desk Officer:

OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to

OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: August 15, 2011.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

Title: Alaska Prohibited Species Donation Program.

OMB Control Number: 0648-0316.

Form Number(s): NA.

Type of Request: Regular submission (revision and extension of a current information collection).

Number of Respondents: 1.

Average Hours per Response: 40.

Burden Hours: 13.

Needs and Uses: This request is for revision and extension of a currently approved information collection.

A prohibited species donation (PSD) program for Pacific salmon and Pacific halibut has effectively reduced regulatory discard of salmon and halibut by allowing fish that would otherwise be discarded to be donated to needy individuals through tax-exempt organizations. Vessels and processing plants participating in the donation program voluntarily retain and process salmon and halibut bycatch. An authorized, tax-exempt distributor, chosen by NMFS, is responsible for monitoring the retention and processing of fish donated by vessels and processors. The authorized distributor also coordinates the processing, storage, transportation, and distribution of salmon and halibut.

The PSD program requires a collection-of-information so that the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) can monitor the authorized distributors' ability to effectively supervise program participants and ensure that donated fish are properly processed, stored, and distributed.

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions.

Frequency: Every three years.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer:

OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to *OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov*.

Dated: August 15, 2011.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of