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).


Title: Green Sturgeon ESA 4(d) Rule Take Exceptions and Exemptions. OMB Control Number: 0648–0613.

Form Number(s): NA

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

Number of Respondents: 46.

Average Hours per Response:

- Scientific research, monitoring or habitat restoration exceptions, state and individual research plans/applications, 40 hours each; fishery management and evaluation plans and tribal plans, 160 hours each; reports, 5 or 20 hours, depending on the research or plan.
- Burden Hours: 1,760.

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

The Southern Distinct Population Segment of North American green sturgeon (Acipenser medirostris; hereafter, “Southern DPS”) was listed as a threatened species in April 2006. Protective regulations under section 4(d) of the Endangered Species Act (ESA) were promulgated for the species on June 2, 2010 (75 FR 30714) (the final ESA 4(d) Rule). To comply with the ESA and the protective regulations, entities must obtain take authorization prior to engaging in activities involving take of Southern DPS fish unless the activity is covered by an exception or exemption. Certain activities described in the “exceptions” provision of 50 CFR 223.210(b) are not subject to the take prohibitions if they adhere to specific criteria and reporting requirements. Under the “exception” provision of 50 CFR 223.210(c), the take prohibitions do not apply to scientific research, scientific monitoring, and fisheries activities conducted under an approved 4(d) program or plan; similarly, take prohibitions do not apply to tribal resource management activities conducted under a Tribal Plan for which the requisite determinations described in 50 CFR 223.102(c)(3) have been made. In order to ensure that activities qualify under exceptions to or exemptions from the take prohibitions, local, state, and federal agencies, non-governmental organizations, academic researchers, and private organizations are asked to voluntarily submit detailed information regarding their activity on a schedule to be determined by National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) staff. This information is used by NMFS to (1) track the number of Southern DPS fish taken as a result of each action; (2) understand and evaluate the cumulative effects of each action on the Southern DPS; and (3) determine whether additional protections are needed for the species, or whether additional exceptions may be warranted.

Affected Public: State, local and tribal governments, not-for-profit institutions.

Frequency: Annually, biannually and on occasion.

Respondent’s Obligation: Required to obtain or maintain benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482–0336, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at Jessup@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: October 22, 2013.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Foreign-Trade Zones Board

[Order No. 1919]

Approval of Subzone Status, Talbots Import, LLC, Lakeville, Massachusetts

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a–b11), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

Whereas, the Foreign-Trade Zones Act provides for “. . . the establishment
. . . of foreign-trade zones in ports of entry of the United States, to expedite and encourage foreign commerce, and for other purposes,” and authorizes the Foreign-Trade Zones Board to grant to qualified corporations the privilege of establishing foreign-trade zones in or adjacent to U.S. Customs and Border Protection ports of entry.

Whereas, the Board’s regulations (15 CFR Part 400) provide for the establishment of subzones when existing zone facilities cannot serve the specific use involved;

Whereas, the City of New Bedford, grantee of FTZ 28, has made application to the Board for the establishment of a subzone at the facility of Talbots Import, LLC, located in Lakeville, Massachusetts (FTZ Docket B–61–2013, docketed 06–13–13);

Whereas, notice inviting public comment has been given in the Federal Register (78 FR 37203, June 20, 2013), and the application has been processed pursuant to the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations; and,

Now, therefore, the Board hereby approves subzone status at the facility of Talbots Import, LLC, located in Lakeville, Massachusetts (Subzone 28G), as described in the application and Federal Register notice, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations, including Section 400.13.

Signed at Washington, DC, this 30th day of September 2013.

Paul Piquado,
Assistant Secretary for Commerce for Import Administration, Alternate Chairman, Foreign-Trade Zones Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Foreign-Trade Zones Board
[B–90–2013]

Foreign-Trade Zone 1 and 111—New York, New York: Application for Merger and Reorganization Under Alternative Site Framework

An application has been submitted to the Foreign-Trade Zones (FTZ) Board by the City of New York, grantee of FTZ 1 and 111, requesting authority to reorganize under the alternative site framework (ASF) adopted by the FTZ Board (15 CFR Sec. 400.2(c)) and merge FTZ 1 and FTZ 111 under FTZ 1. The ASF is an option for grantees for the establishment or reorganization of zones and can permit significantly greater flexibility in the designation of new subzones or “usage-driven” FTZ sites for operators/users located within a grantee’s “service area” in the context of the FTZ Board’s standard 2,000-acre activation limit for a zone. The application was submitted pursuant to the Foreign-Trade Zones Act, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a–81u), and the regulations of the Board (15 CFR part 400). It was formally docketed on October 21, 2013.

FTZ 1 was approved by the FTZ Board on January 30, 1936 (Board Order 2) and reorganized/expanded on February 23, 1942 (Board Order 7, 7 FR 2074, 3/14/1942), March 23, 1942 (Board Order 8, 7 FR 2883, 4/17/1942), June 23, 1943 (Board Order 9, 8 FR 8885, 6/29/1943), November 18, 1943 (Board Order 10, 9 FR 1917, 2/18/1944), December 12, 1945 (Board Order 11, 10 FR 15190, 12/19/1945), October 17, 1946 (Board Order 14, 11 FR 12588, 10/25/1947), August 25, 1950 (Board Order 23, 15 FR 5920, 8/31/1950), October 16, 1951 (Board Order 26, 16 FR 10829, 10/24/1951), May 19, 1967 (Board Order 73, 32 FR 7726, 5/26/1967), September 26, 1972 (Board Order 89, 37 FR 20893, 10/4/1972), June 27, 1974 (Board Order 99, 39 FR 24541, 7/3/1974), September 25, 1978 (Board Order 134, 43 FR 45424, 10/2/1978), and November 16, 1998 (Board Order 1010, 63 FR 65171, 11/25/1998).

FTZ 1 currently includes the following sites: Site 1 (23 acres)—Building 77, Brooklyn Navy Yard, Brooklyn; Site 2 (352 acres)—Howland Hook Marine Terminal Facility and Port Ivory Factory, North Washington/Western Avenues and Richmond Terrace/Western Avenue, Staten Island; Site 3 (.55 acres)—International Gem Tower, 50 West 47th Street, New York; Site 4 (.5 acres)—Malca Amit, 153–66 Rockaway Boulevard, Jamaica; and, Site 5 (.57 acres)—World Diamond Tower, 520 5th Avenue, New York.

FTZ 111 was approved by the FTZ Board on November 30, 1984 (Board Order 280, 49 FR 49203, 12/11/1984). FTZ 111 currently consists of one site: Site 1 (1,713 acres)—JFK International Airport—Cargo Center, Main Terminal Complex, Queens.

The grantee’s proposed service area under the ASF would be New York, Bronx, Kings, Queens, and Richmond Counties, New York, as described in the application. If approved, the grantee would be able to serve sites throughout the service area based on companies’ needs for FTZ designation. The proposed service area is within and adjacent to the New York/Newark and John F. Kennedy International Airport Customs and Border Protection ports of entry.

The applicant is requesting authority to reorganize the zones under the ASF, to merge FTZ 1 and FTZ 111, and to include Sites 1–3 and 5 of FTZ 1 and Site 1 of FTZ 111 as “magnet” sites. The applicant is also requesting that Site 4 of FTZ 1 be included as a “usage-driven site” and that Site 1 of FTZ 111 be renumbered as Site 6 of FTZ 1 in the merged zone. The ASF allows for the possible exemption of one magnet site from the “sunset” time limits that generally apply to sites under the ASF, and the applicant proposes that Site 1 of FTZ 1 be so exempted.

In accordance with the FTZ Board’s regulations, Elizabeth Whiteman of the FTZ Staff is designated examiner to evaluate and analyze the facts and information presented in the application and case record and to report findings and recommendations to the FTZ Board.

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the FTZ Board’s Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is December 24, 2013. Rebuttal comments in response to material submitted during the foregoing period may be submitted during the subsequent 15-day period to January 8, 2014.

A copy of the application will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 21013, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230–0002, and in the “Reading Room” section of the FTZ Board’s Web site, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz. For further information, contact Elizabeth Whiteman at Elizabeth.Whiteman@trade.gov or (202) 482–0473.

Dated: October 21, 2013.

Elizabeth Whiteman,
Acting Executive Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
International Trade Administration

Environmental Technologies Trade Advisory Committee Public Meeting

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, DOC.

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of a