II. Method of Collection

Dockside and telephone interviews are used. In lieu of telephone interviews, respondents may also provide information online via a web tool.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0648–0380.
Form Number: None.
Type of Review: Regular submission (revision and extension of a current information collection).
Affected Public: Individuals or households; business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Unduplicated Respondents: 15,024.
Estimated Time per Response: 11 minutes for a telephone interview; 5 minutes for a dockside interview; 1½ minutes to respond to a follow-up validation call for dockside interviews; 1 minute for a biological sampling of catch.
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 3,608.
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: November 18, 2013.

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

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
RIN 0648–XC994

Fishing Capacity Reduction Program for the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery

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

ACTION: Notice of loan repayment.

SUMMARY: NMFS issues this notice to inform interested parties that the Washington pink shrimp sub-loan in the fishing capacity reduction program for the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery has been repaid. Therefore, buyback fee collections on Washington pink shrimp will cease for all landings after October 31, 2013.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before 5 p.m. EST December 9, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Send comments about this notice to Paul Marx, Chief, Financial Services Division, NMFS, Attn: Washington Pink Shrimp Buyback, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael A. Sturtevant at (301) 427–8799 or Michael.A.Sturtevant@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On November 16, 2004, NMFS published a Federal Register document (69 FR 67100) proposing regulations to implement an industry fee system for repaying the reduction loan. The final rule was published July 13, 2005 (70 FR 40225) and fee collection began on September 8, 2005. Interested persons should review these for further program details.

The Washington pink shrimp sub-loan of the Pacific Coast Groundfish Capacity Reduction (Buyback) loan in the amount of $239,399.63 will be repaid in full upon receipt of buyback fees on landings through October 31, 2013. NMFS has received $402,528.12 in buyback fees not yet forwarded to NMFS for Washington pink shrimp landings through October 31, 2013 should be forwarded to NMFS immediately. Any overpayment of buyback fees submitted to NMFS will be refunded on a pro-rata basis to the fish buyers/processors based upon best available fish ticket landings data. The fish buyers/processors should return excess buyback fees collected to the harvesters, including buyback fees collected but not yet remitted to NMFS for landings after October 31, 2013. Any discrepancies in fees owed and fees paid must be resolved immediately. After the sub-loan is closed, no further adjustments to fees paid and fees received can be made. Fish dealers whose fees for 2013 were not yet due as they have accumulated less than $100 in fees should forward their fees at this time for landings through October 31, 2013.

Dated: November 18, 2013.

Donna Rivelli,
Acting Director, Office of Management and Budget, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
RIN 0648–XC989

North Pacific 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 North Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) Individual Fishing Quota (IFQ) Implementation Team will meet in Anchorage, AK.

DATES: The meeting will be held on December 9, 2013, from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Council conference room, 650 W. 4th Avenue, Room 205, Anchorage, AK. Council address: North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 W. 4th Ave., Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501–2252.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jane DiCosimo, Council staff, telephone: (907) 271–2809.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Team will review:
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
RIN 0648–XC996
Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council), its Highly Migratory Species (HMS) Committee, and its Executive Committee will hold public meetings.

DATES: The meetings will be held Monday, December 9, 2013 through Thursday, December 12, 2013. See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION for specific dates and times.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Westin Annapolis, 100 Westgate Circle, Annapolis, MD 21401, telephone: (410) 972–4300.

Council address: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N. State St., Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 526–5255.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christopher M. Moore, Ph.D., Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; telephone: (302) 526–5255.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Monday, December 9, 2013
3 p.m. until 5 p.m.—The HMS Committee will meet.

Tuesday, December 10, 2013
9 a.m. until 9:30 a.m.—The Executive Committee will meet in a CLOSED SESSION.
9:30 a.m. until 12 p.m.—The Executive Committee will meet.
1 p.m.—The Council will convene.
1 p.m. until 1:10 p.m.—A photo of the Council will be taken.
1:10 p.m. until 2 p.m.—Framework 9 to the Mackerel, Smid, and Butterfish (MSB) Fishery Management Plan (FMP) will be discussed.
2 p.m. until 3 p.m.—There will be a River Herring and Shad Approach discussion.
3 p.m. until 4 p.m.—A Data Portal Presentation will occur.
4 p.m. until 5 p.m.—A Surfclam Presentation will occur.

Wednesday, December 11, 2013
The Demersal Committee will meet as a Committee of the Whole with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission’s (ASMFC) Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Board.

9 a.m. until 5 p.m.—The Council will finalize summer flounder, scup, and black sea bass recreational management measures for 2014 in conjunction with the ASMFC’s Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Board.

Thursday, December 12, 2013
9 a.m. until 9:30 a.m.—Spiny Dogfish Trip Limits will be discussed.
9:30 a.m. until 10 a.m.—A Stakeholder Survey on Ecosystem-based Fisheries Management Presentation will occur.

10 a.m. until 1 p.m.—The Council will hold its regular Business Session to receive Organizational Reports, the South Atlantic and the New England Liaison Reports, the Executive Director’s Report, the Science Report, Committee Reports, and conduct any continuing and/or new business.

Agenda items by day for the Council’s Committees and the Council itself are:

On Monday, December 9—The HMS Committee will develop Council comments on Draft Amendment 7 (bluefin tuna management measures) for submission to NMFS.

On Tuesday, December 10—The Executive Committee will meet in a closed session to review the recommendations for the Ricks E Savage Award. The Executive Committee will meet to review the Draft Implementation Plan and public comments, and approve the 2014 Implementation Plan for Council consideration.

The Council will convene at 1 p.m. There will be a Council photo session. The Council will discuss Framework 9 to the MSB FMP to review and approve options to address unobserved slippage on observed trips. The Council will review and adopt plan to move forward with the river herring and shad strategy implementing the motion made at the October 2013 meeting. The Council will receive a Data Portal Presentation to review project goals, methods and illustrative draft maps of Mid-Atlantic fishing activity summarized by port and gear groups and provide advice to project team on best approaches and opportunities for engaging fishermen to review, discuss and improve project data and maps. The Council will receive a report of the National Science Foundation Coupled Natural and Human Systems Surfclam Study: Climate change and responses in a coupled marine system and an update on the Science Center for Marine Fisheries (SceMFIS).

On Wednesday, December 11—The Council in conjunction with the ASMFC’s Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Board will review the associated Monitoring Committee’s and Advisory Panel’s specification recommendations for 2014 and adopt 2014 recreational management measures for summer flounder, scup, and black sea bass.

On Thursday, December 12—The Council will review options for spiny dogfish trip limits in federal waters for the 2014–15 fishing years. The Council will receive a presentation on the Stakeholder Survey on Ecosystem-based Fisheries Management. The Council will