DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648–XF172

North Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.


DATES: The meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 28, 2017, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Wednesday, March 29, 2017, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in the Harbor Room at The Best Western Kodiak Inn, 236 Rezanof Drive, Kodiak, AK 99615. The meeting will be available by teleconference at: (907) 271–2896.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Diana Evans, Council staff; telephone: (907) 271–2809.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Agenda

Tuesday March 28, 2017 Through Wednesday March 29, 2017

The agenda will include: (a) Budget Planning for 2018; (b) Review proposed rule for EM Implementation; (c) Preparation for 2019 contract; (d) Draft 2016 cost report and e) scheduling and other business. The Agenda is subject to change, and the latest version will be posted at http://www.npfmc.org/.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Shannon Gleason at (907) 271–2809 at least 7 working days prior to the meeting date.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648–XF183

Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice; public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council’s (Pacific Council) Groundfish Endangered Species Workgroup will hold a meeting, which is open to the public. Members of the public can participate: in person; via teleconference; and/or through “Go To Meeting.”

DATES: The meeting will begin at 9 a.m. on Wednesday, February 15, 2017 and again at 9 a.m. on Thursday, February 16 and continue until business is finished on each day.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Regional Administrator’s Conference Room, Building 1, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Western Regional Center, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, Seattle, WA 98115–6349, telephone: (206)–526–6150. Members of the public who wish to attend the meeting in person must contact Mr. Kevin Duffy; email: kevin.duffy@noaa.gov; phone: (206) 526–4743, at least one week prior to the meeting to arrange entrance to this NOAA facility.

Council address: Pacific Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220–1384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Kit Dahl, Pacific Council, at (503) 820–2422; toll-free 1–866–806–7204.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The primary purpose of the meeting is to review recent information on take of species listed under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) in the Pacific Coast groundfish fishery (other than salmonids) and provide recommendations to the Pacific Council on any additional mitigation measures needed, to meet the requirements of the ESA, as implemented through the terms and conditions in the most recent biological opinion for the fishery.

DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DOD–2017–OS–0006]

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary of Defense, DoD.

ACTION: Rescindment of a system of records notice.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Privacy Act of 1974 and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Circular No. A–130, notice is hereby given that the Department of Defense proposes to delete a system of records, DGC 20, DoD Presidential Appointee Vetting File, last published at 65 FR 75246 on December 1, 2000. This system of records was
originally created to facilitate the White House Presidential Appointee vetting process by assisting potential nominees as they completed the vetting documents.

Based on a recent review of DGC 20, DoD Presidential Appointee Vetting File, it was determined that this system of records is now appropriately covered under and is maintained in accordance with the government-wide Office of Government Ethics system of records notice OGE/GOVT–1, Executive Branch Personnel Financial Disclosure Reports and Other Name-Retrieved Ethics Program Records (December 9, 2013, 78 FR 73863). Accordingly, DGC 20 is duplicative and can be deleted.

DATES: Comments will be accepted on or before March 6, 2017. This proposed action will be effective the date following the end of the comment period unless comments are received which result in a contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:


Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

* Mail: Department of Defense, Office of the Deputy Chief Management Officer, Directorate for Oversight and Compliance, 4800 Mark Center Drive, Mailbox #24, Suite 08D09B, Alexandria, VA 22350–1700.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name and docket number for this Federal Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mrs. Luz D. Ortiz, Chief, Records, Privacy and Declassification Division (RPDD), 1155 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–1155, or by phone at (571) 372–0478.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of the Secretary systems of records notices subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, have been published in the Federal Register and are available from the address in


The Office of the Secretary proposes to delete one system of records notice from its inventory of record systems subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended. The proposed deletion is not within the purview of subsection (r) of the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552a), as amended, which requires the submission of a new or altered system report.

Based on a recent review of DGC 20, DoD Presidential Appointee Vetting File, it has been determined that the records are covered under and is maintained in accordance with OGE/GOVT–1, Executive Branch Personnel Public Financial Disclosure Reports and Other Name-Retrieved Ethics Program Records (December 9, 2013, 78 FR 73863). Therefore, DGC 20, DoD Presidential Appointee Vetting File can be deleted.


Aaron Siegel,
Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

SYSTEM NAME AND NUMBER:

DoD Presidential Appointee Vetting File, DGC 20.

HISTORY: December 1, 2000, 65 FR 75246.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Office of the Secretary

TRICARE: Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Uniformed Services (CHAMPUS); Fiscal Year 2017 Diagnosis Related Group (DRG) Updates and Notice of Termination of Future Federal Register Notices Regarding the DRG Update

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of DRG revised rates and notice to terminate future Federal Register publication of the DRG Updates.

SUMMARY: This notice describes the changes made to the TRICARE DRG-based payment system in order to conform to changes made to the Medicare Prospective Payment System (PPS). It also provides the updated fixed loss cost outlier threshold, cost-to-charge ratios, and the data necessary to update the Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 rates. This notice also announces there will be no future Federal Register notices published for the annual DRG updates, as all information included in this notice will now be published on the Defense Health Agency’s official Web site at http://www.health.mil. As a result, FY 2017 is the last year for publication of the DRG notice.

DATES: The rates, weights, and Medicare PPS changes which affect the TRICARE DRG-based payment system contained in this notice are effective for discharges occurring on or after October 1, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Defense Health Agency (DHA), TRICARE, Medical Benefits and Reimbursement Section, TRICARE, telephone (303) 676–3690. Questions regarding payment of specific claims under the TRICARE DRG-based payment system should be addressed to the appropriate contractor.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The final rule published on September 1, 1987 (52 FR 32992) set forth the basic procedures used under the CHAMPUS DRG-based payment system. This was subsequently amended by final rules published August 31, 1988 (53 FR 33461); October 21, 1988 (53 FR 41331); December 16, 1988 (53 FR 50515); May 30, 1990 (55 FR 21863); October 22, 1990 (55 FR 42560); and September 10, 1998 (63 FR 48439).

An explicit tenet of these final rules, and one based on the statute authorizing the use of DRGs by TRICARE, is that the TRICARE DRG-based payment system is modeled on the Medicare PPS; and that, whenever practicable, the TRICARE system will follow the same rules that apply to the Medicare PPS. The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) publishes these changes annually in the Federal Register and discusses in detail the impact of the changes.

In addition, this notice updates the rates and weights in accordance with our previous final rules. The actual changes we are making, along with a description of their relationship to the Medicare PPS, are detailed in this notice. While the initial intent of this notice was to provide notification of the revised DRG weights and rates affecting the DRG based payment system, its relevance has been subsequently overshadowed by the public’s online accessibility to the TRICARE manuals and reimbursement rates on the official Web site of the Military Health System (MHS) and the DHA (http://www.health.mil). As a result, the public has ready online access to all information published in this notice (e.g., DRG weights and rates, to include adjusted standardized amounts, wage indexes and Indirect Medical Education (IDME) factors, and changes to rate variables, etc.) in either the TRICARE