

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration****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: Socio-Economic Survey of Hired Captains and Crew in New England and Mid-Atlantic Commercial Fisheries.

OMB Control Number: 0648–0636.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular (reinstatement with changes of a previously approved information collection).

Number of Respondents: 452.

Average Hours per Response: 20 minutes.

Burden Hours: 151.

Needs and Uses: Abstract.

This request is for a reinstatement with change of a previously approved collection.

The NOAA Fisheries, Northeast Fisheries Science Center, Social Science Branch (SSB) seeks to conduct surveys to provide for the ongoing collection of social and economic data related to the fishing industry in the New England and Mid-Atlantic States. The purpose of this survey is to assess the current social and economic conditions of commercial fishing crews for which little is known. The proposed survey is as a follow-up to a baseline study conducted in 2011/2012. The intent of the proposed study is to assess how and why commercial crew working conditions may have changed since the initial 2011/2012 assessment. Data needed for this assessment support fishery performance measures developed by the SSB, which include information on financial viability, distributional outcomes, stewardship, governance, and well-being. Data to be collected include demographic information on crew, wage calculations systems, individual and community well-being, fishing practices, job satisfaction, job opportunities, and attitudes toward fisheries management.

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Magnuson-Stevens Conservation and Management Act (MSA) both contain requirements for considering the social and economic impacts of fishery management

decisions. There is a need to understand how such fishery management policies and programs will affect the social and economic characteristics of those involved in the commercial fishing industry. To help meet these requirements of NEPA and MSA, the SSB will collect data on an ongoing basis to track how socio-economic characteristics of fisheries are changing over time and the impact of fishery management policies and programs implemented in New England and the Mid-Atlantic regions.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: Every three–five years.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

This information collection request may be viewed at reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

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 or fax to (202) 395–5806.

Dated: May 21, 2018.

Sarah Brabson,

NOAA PRA Clearance Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Office of the Secretary****Charter Renewal of Department of Defense Federal Advisory Committees**

AGENCY: Department of Defense.

ACTION: Renewal of Federal Advisory Committee.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense (DoD) is publishing this notice to announce that it is renewing the charter for the Board of Visitors for the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation (“the Board”).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jim Freeman, Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, 703–692–5952.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Board’s charter is being renewed pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 2166(e)(1) and in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended) and 41 CFR 102–3.50(a). The Board’s charter and contact information for the Board’s Designated Federal Officer (DFO) can be found at <http://www.facadatabase.gov/>.

The Board provides the Secretary of Defense and the Deputy Secretary of

Defense, through the Secretary of the Army, independent advice and recommendations on matters pertaining to the operations and management of the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation (“the Institute”). The Board shall (a) Inquire into the curriculum, instruction, physical equipment, fiscal affairs, and academic methods of the Institute; other matters relating to the Institute that the Board decides to consider; and any other matter that the Secretary of Defense determines appropriate (10 U.S.C. 2166(e)(4)(A)); (b) Review the curriculum to determine whether it complies with applicable U.S. laws and regulations, is consistent with U.S. policy goals toward Latin America and the Caribbean, and adheres to current U.S. doctrine (10 U.S.C. 2166(e)(4)(B)(i)–(iii); and (c) Determine whether the instruction under the curriculum of the Institute appropriately emphasizes human rights, the rule of law, due process, civilian control of the military and the role of the military in a democratic society (10 U.S.C. 2166(d)(1)(e)(4)(B)(iv)).

The Board will be composed 14 members, 6 of whom are designated by the Secretary of Defense including, to the extent practicable, persons from academia, religious institutions, and human rights communities. The Secretary of Defense will also affirm the appointments, designated in statute, of the senior military officer responsible for training and doctrine in the U.S. Army (or designee) and the Commanders of the Combatant Commands with geographic responsibility for the Western Hemisphere (U.S. Northern Command and the U.S. Southern Command) (or the designees of those officers). The Board will also be composed of: (a) Two Members of the Senate (the Chair and Ranking Member of the Armed Services Committee or a designee of either of them); (b) Two Members of the House of Representatives (the Chair and Ranking Member of the Armed Services Committee or a designee of either of them; and (c) One person designated by the Secretary of State (10 U.S.C. 2166(e)(1)). All members of the Board are appointed to provide advice on behalf of the Government on the basis of their best judgment without representing any particular point of view and in a manner that is free from conflict of interest. Except for reimbursement of official Board-related travel and per diem, Board members serve without compensation.

The public or interested organizations may submit written statements to the Board membership about the Board’s mission and functions. Written

statements may be submitted at any time or in response to the stated agenda of planned meeting of the Board. All written statements shall be submitted to the DFO for the Board, and this individual will ensure that the written statements are provided to the membership for their consideration.

Dated: May 21, 2018.

Shelly Finke,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Reserve Forces Policy Board; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense.

ACTION: Notice of Federal Advisory Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: The Department of Defense (DoD) is publishing this notice to announce that the following Federal Advisory Committee meeting of the Reserve Forces Policy Board (RFPB) will take place.

DATES: The RFPB will hold a meeting on Wednesday, June 6, 2018 from 8:40 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The portion of the meeting from 8:40 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. will be closed to the public. The portion of the meeting from 1:15 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. will be open to the public.

ADDRESSES: The RFPB meeting address is the Pentagon, Room 3E863, Arlington, VA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Alexander Sabol, (703) 681-0577 (Voice), 703-681-0002 (Facsimile), *Alexander.J.Sabol.Civ@Mail.Mil* (Email). Mailing address is Reserve Forces Policy Board, 5113 Leesburg Pike, Suite 601, Falls Church, VA 22041. Website: <http://rfpb.defense.gov/>. The most up-to-date changes to the meeting agenda can be found on the website.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Due to circumstances beyond the control of the Department of Defense (DoD) and the Designated Federal Officer, the Reserve Forces Policy Board was unable to provide public notification required by 41 CFR 102-3.150(a) concerning the meeting on June 6, 2018, of the Reserve Forces Policy Board. Accordingly, the Advisory Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.150(b), waives the 15-calendar day notification requirement.

This meeting is being held under the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Government in the Sunshine Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b, as amended), and 41 CFR 102-3.140 and 102-3.150.

Purpose of the Meeting: The purpose of the meeting is to obtain, review, and evaluate information related to strategies, policies, and practices designed to improve and enhance the capabilities, efficiency, and effectiveness of the Reserve Components.

Agenda: The RFPB will hold a meeting from 8:40 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The portion of the meeting from 8:40 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. will be closed to the public and will consist of remarks to the RFPB from following invited speakers: The Performing the Duties of the Under Secretary of Defense for Personnel and Readiness will discuss the readiness of the force, personnel system reforms, and future strategies for Reserve Component use given the new National Military Strategy challenges in a constrained fiscal environment; the Vice Chief, National Guard Bureau will discuss the implications of the new National Defense Strategy on the National Guard and risks associated with meeting current and emerging threats while continuing to meet homeland defense requirements; the Chief of the Cyber Warfare Branch of the National Guard Bureau will discuss the USCYBERCOM's training and certification program of the Air National Guard's Cyber Mission Force Teams; the Secretary of the Army will discuss the Army's posture and progress on meeting the recommendations from the Report of the National Commission on the Future of the Army and plans to adapt the Total Army to meet the future challenges of the new National Defense Strategy and the integration of the Reserve Components' forces within the strategy; and the Director of the Air National Guard will discuss the priorities of the Air Guard, the Air Force Reserve Commission initiatives, and the Air Guard's challenges to balance force structure, pilot shortages, readiness and modernization while supporting the new National Defense Strategy. The portion of the meeting from 1:15 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. will be open to the public and will consist of briefings from the following: The Chair of the RFPB's Subcommittee on Supporting and Sustaining Reserve Component Personnel will provide an update to the RFPB for its consideration on the subcommittee's review and proposed recommendation to the Secretary of Defense concerning the DoD's Integrated

Pay and Personnel System as it pertains to the Reserve Components; the Subcommittee on Ensuring a Ready, Capable, Available, and Sustainable Operational Reserve will provide an update to the RFPB for its consideration on the subcommittee's review and proposed recommendation to the Secretary of Defense concerning the DoD's "Operational Reserve" definition; and the Chair of the RFPB's Subcommittee on Enhancing DoD's Role in the Homeland will provide an update to the RFPB for its consideration on the subcommittee's review and proposed recommendations to the Secretary of Defense concerning the authority to use the National Guard in their Title 32 status for domestic and Homeland Security operations.

Meeting Accessibility: Pursuant to section 10(a)(1) of the FACA and 41 CFR 102-3.140 through 102-3.165, and subject to the availability of space, the meeting is open to the public from 1:15 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. All members of the public who wish to attend the public meeting must contact Mr. Alex Sabol, the Designated Federal Officer, not later than 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 5, 2018, as listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section to make arrangements for a Pentagon escort, if necessary. Public attendees requiring escort should arrive at the Pentagon Metro Entrance at 12:45 p.m. to provide sufficient time to complete security screening to attend the beginning of the Open Meeting at 1:15 p.m. on June 6. To complete the security screening, please be prepared to present two forms of identification. One must be a picture identification card. In accordance with section 10(d) of the FACA, 5 U.S.C. 552b(c), and 41 CFR 102-3.155, the DoD has determined that the portion of this meeting scheduled to occur from 8:40 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. will be closed to the public. Specifically, the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness), in coordination with the Department of Defense FACA Attorney, has determined in writing that this portion of the meeting will be closed to the public because it is likely to disclose classified matters covered by 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1).

Written Statements: Pursuant to section 10(a)(3) of the FACA and 41 CFR 102-3.105(j) and 102-3.140, interested persons may submit written statements to the RFPB about its approved agenda or at any time on the RFPB's mission. Written statements should be submitted to the RFPB's Designated Federal Officer at the address, email, or facsimile number listed in the **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** section. If