2019 NDAA (Pub. L. 115–232) amended the MMPA to allow incidental take regulations for military readiness activities to be issued for up to seven years.

Summary of Request

On October 9, 2020, NMFS received an adequate and complete application from the Navy requesting authority for take of marine mammals, by Level A and Level B harassment incidental to training (categorized as military readiness activities) from the use of active sonar and other transducers and explosives (occurring at or near the surface of the water) in the TMAA Study Area. The requested regulations would be valid for seven years, from 2022 through 2029.

This will be the third time NMFS has promulgated incidental take regulations pursuant to the MMPA relating to similar military readiness activities in the GOA TMAA, following those effective from May 4, 2011 to May 4, 2016 (76 FR 25479; May 4, 2011) and from April 26, 2017 to April 26, 2022 (82 FR 19530; April 27, 2017).

Description of the Specified Activity

The TMAA Study Area is a temporary area established in conjunction with the Federal Aviation Administration that is a surface, undersea space, and airspace maneuver area within the GOA for ships, submarines, and aircraft to conduct required training activities. As depicted in Figure 1–1 of the Navy’s application, the TMAA is a polygon roughly resembling a rectangle oriented from northwest to southeast, approximately 300 nautical miles (nmi) (556 kilometers [km]) in length by 150 nmi (278 km) in width, located south of Montague Island and east of Kodiak Island.

The following types of training activities to be issued for up to seven years could result in the take of marine mammals that would be considered military readiness activities:

1. The use of Lookouts to observe for biological resources and certain biologically important areas to contribute to fitness impacts (see Figure 11–1 of the Navy’s application).
2. The use of active sonar or explosives in certain biologically important areas to reduce the probability or severity of impacts when they are more likely to contribute to fitness impacts (see Figure 11–1 of the Navy’s application).
3. Limiting levels of sound or explosive blasts more likely to result in injury or more serious behavioral disruption;

Proposed mitigation measures for the proposed activities to be included:

1. The use of Lookouts to observe for biological resources and certain biologically important areas to contribute to fitness impacts (see Figure 11–1 of the Navy’s application).
2. The use of active sonar or explosives in certain biologically important areas to reduce the probability or severity of impacts when they are more likely to contribute to fitness impacts (see Figure 11–1 of the Navy’s application).
3. Limiting levels of sound or explosive blasts more likely to result in injury or more serious behavioral disruption;

The Navy also proposes to undertake monitoring and reporting efforts to track compliance with incidental take authorizations and to help investigate the effectiveness of implemented mitigation measures in the TMAA Study Area. This includes Adaptive Management, the Integrated Comprehensive Monitoring Program, the Strategic Planning Process, and Annual Monitoring and Activity Reports. As an example, under the Integrated Comprehensive Monitoring Program, the monitoring relating to the effects of Navy training activities on protected marine species are designed to increase the understanding of the likely occurrence of marine mammals in the vicinity of the action (i.e., presence, abundance, distribution, and density of species) and to increase the understanding of the nature, scope, or context of the likely exposure of marine mammals to any of the potential stressors associated with the action.

Information Solicited

Interested persons may submit information, suggestions, and comments concerning the Navy’s request (see ADDRESSES). NMFS will consider all information, suggestions, and comments related to the request during the development of proposed regulations governing the incidental taking of marine mammals by the Navy, if appropriate.


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Director, Office of Protected Resources,
National Marine Fisheries Service.
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COMMITTEE FOR PURCHASE FROM PEOPLE WHO ARE BLIND OR SEVERELY DISABLED

Procurement List; Proposed deletions

AGENCY: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled.

ACTION: Proposed deletions from the Procurement List.

SUMMARY: The Committee is proposing to delete product(s) from the Procurement List that were furnished by nonprofit agencies employing persons who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before: February 07, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, 1401 S Clark Street, Suite 715, Arlington, Virginia, 22202–4149.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information or to submit comments contact: Michael R. Jurkowski, Telephone: (703) 603–2117, Fax: (703) 603–0655, or email CMTEFedReg@AbilityOne.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice is published pursuant to 41 U.S.C. 8503 (a)(2) and 41 CFR 51–2.3. Its purpose is to provide interested persons an opportunity to submit comments on the proposed actions.

Deletions

The following product(s) are proposed for deletion from the Procurement List:

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Designated Source of Supply: Cambria County Association for the Blind and Handicapped, Johnstown, PA

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COUNCIL ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

Guidance Document Online Portal

AGENCY: Council on Environmental Quality.

ACTION: Notice of online portal for agency guidance documents.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Executive Order (E.O.) 13891, “Promoting the Rule of Law Through Improved Agency Guidance Documents,” dated October 9, 2019, and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Memorandum M-20-02, dated October 31, 2019, the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) is providing notice of where the public may access CEQ guidance documents.

ADDRESSES: The portal may be found at https://www.whitehouse.gov/ceq/resources/.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Amy B. Coyle, Deputy General Counsel, Council on Environmental Quality, 730 Jackson Place NW, Washington, DC 20503, 202–395–5750, amy.b.coyle@ceq.eop.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: E.O. 13891, “Promoting the Rule of Law Through Improved Agency Guidance Documents,” requires that each agency establish or maintain on its website a single, searchable, indexed database that contains or links to all agency guidance documents in effect. In accordance with E.O. 13891 and OMB’s implementing guidance, set forth in OMB Memorandum M–20–02, CEQ has complied with this requirement through its website portal, which is available to the public at whitehouse.gov/ceq/resources. As required by E.O. 13891, the website also reiterates that: (1) The contents of the guidance documents accessed through the portal lack the force and effect of law, unless expressly authorized by statute or incorporated into a contract; and (2) these documents are intended only to provide clarity to the public regarding existing requirements under statutes and regulations administered by CEQ. Under the E.O., CEQ may not cite, use, or rely on any guidance document that is not posted on or linked to the website portal, except to establish historical facts.

CEQ will also include on its website portal a link to its final rule establishing CEQ’s internal agency procedures for issuing guidance documents, required by section 4 of E.O. 13891. The final rule relating to CEQ’s guidance document procedures is published elsewhere in this issue of the Federal Register.


Mary B. Neumayr,
Chairman.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No. ED–2020–SCC–0167]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and Approval; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Student Aid (FSA), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is proposing a revision of a currently approved collection.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before February 8, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for proposed information collection requests should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this information collection request by selecting “Department of Education” under “Currently Under Review,” then check “Only Show ICR for Public Comment” checkbox. Comments may also be sent to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Beth Grebelinger, (202) 377–4018.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department of Education (ED), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed, revised, and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the public’s reporting burden. It also helps the public understand the Department’s information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. ED is soliciting comments on the proposed information collection request (ICR) that is described below. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note