with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. We invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. Public comments were previously requested via the Federal Register on December 1, 2020, during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Commerce.

Title: Southeast Region IFQ Programs. OMB Control Number: 0648–0551. Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular submission—extension and revision of a current information collection.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,164.

Estimated Time per Response:
- Dealer Landing Transaction Report, 6 minutes (electronic form)
- Dealer Landing Transaction Report, 5 minutes (paper form used in catastrophic conditions only)
- Dealer Cost Recovery Fee Submission through pay.gov, 3 minutes
- IFQ Notification of Landing, 5 minutes
- Transfer Shares, 3 minutes
- Share Receipt, 2 minutes
- Transfer Allocation, 3 minutes
- IFQ Online Account Application, 13 minutes
- Wreckfish Quota Share Transfer, 20 minutes
- Landing Transaction Correction Request, 5 minutes
- Commercial Reef Fish Landing Location Request, 5 minutes
- Account Update, 2 minutes
- Trip Ticket Update, 2 minutes
- Gulf Reef Fish Notification of Landing, 3 minutes
- IFQ Close Account, 3 minutes

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,109.

Needs and Uses: The National Marine Fisheries Service’s Southeast Regional Office manages three commercial individual fishing quota (IFQ) and individual transferable quota (ITQ) programs in the U.S. southeast region under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act). The IFQ programs for red snapper, and groupers and tefilishes occur in Federal waters of the Gulf of Mexico (Gulf), and the ITQ program for wreckfish occurs in Federal waters of the South Atlantic.

The NMFS Southeast Regional Office proposes to extend and revise parts of the information collection currently approved under OMB Control Number 0648–0551. This collection of information tracks the transfer and use of IFQ and ITQ shares, and IFQ allocation and landings by commercial fishermen necessary for NMFS to operate, administer, and review management of the IFQ and ITQ programs. Regulations for the IFQ and ITQ programs are located at 50 CFR part 622.

For the Gulf IFQ programs, the revisions would collect additional business and demographic information on the IFQ Online Account Application, as well as add a requirement to input the vessel signature personal identification number (PIN) a second time on the Dealer Landing Transaction Report if a criterion is met.

NMFS would revise the IFQ Online Account Application to obtain ownership percentage data for any business that participates in the Gulf IFQ programs, as well as the type of business, and confirmation of whether the business is small or large, as defined by Small Business Administration standards.

NMFS would revise the Dealer Landing Transaction Report to add a requirement for a shareholder to input the vessel signature PIN a second time if the landing transaction would result in a 10 percent overage of their catch allocation during that fishing year. NMFS proposes to add a feature to the Dealer Landing Transaction Report that would notify the shareholder that a 10 percent overage would occur and in which categories, and require the vessel signature PIN to accept the overage. Although the 10 percent overage is utilized infrequently, this would provide the shareholder the opportunity to transfer allocation and avoid using the 10 percent overage.

The purpose of revising the IFQ Online Account Application is to better comply with National Standard 4 (NS4) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, the Regulatory Flexibility Act (RFA), and the Small Business Administration’s regulations implementing the RFA, Executive Order 12898, and the “fairness and equitable distribution” provisions of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, including NS4 and section 303(b)(6). The purpose of revising the Dealer Landing Transaction Report is to better inform participants in the Gulf IFQ programs and require an additional verification from them when the existing responsibility measure of a 10 percent overage of their allocation would occur.

If implemented by NMFS, these administrative revisions would slightly increase the estimated time per response to complete the IFQ Online Account Application. NMFS estimates the time per response would increase from 10 to 13 minutes. However, NMFS does not expect the estimated time per response for the Dealer Landing Transaction Report to change. The cost of both the IFQ Online Account Application and the Dealer Landing Transaction Report would remain the same. NMFS proposes no other revisions to the existing information collections for the IFQ and ITQ programs approved in OMB Control Number 0648–0551.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Frequency: Annually, quarterly, and on occasion.

Respondent’s Obligation: Mandatory, required to obtain or retain benefits.

Legal Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.

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

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments,” or by using the search function and entering either the title of the collection or the OMB Control Number 0648–0551.

Sheleem Dumas,
Department PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Commerce Department.

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programs, with a particular emphasis on the topics identified in the section on Matters to Be Considered.

DATES: The announced meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, April 7, 2021, and Thursday, April 8, 2021 from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. EDT.

ADDRESSES: This will be a virtual meeting. Information about how to participate will be posted to the OEAB website at https://oeab.noaa.gov/.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. David McKinnie, Designated Federal Officer, Ocean Exploration Advisory Board, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, david.mckinnie@noaa.gov or (206) 526–6950.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NOAA established the OEAB under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) and legislation that gives the agency statutory authority to operate an ocean exploration program and to coordinate a national program of ocean exploration. The OEAB advises NOAA leadership on strategic planning, exploration priorities, competitive ocean exploration grant programs, and other matters as the NOAA Administrator requests.

OEAB members represent government agencies, the private sector, academic institutions, and not-for-profit institutions involved in all facets of ocean exploration—from advanced technology to citizen exploration. In addition to advising NOAA leadership, NOAA expects the OEAB to help to define and develop a national program of ocean exploration—a network of stakeholders and partnerships advancing national priorities for ocean exploration.

Matters to be Considered: The OEAB will discuss the following topics: (1) Ocean exploration in the context of administration priorities, (2) Annual review of the Office of Ocean Exploration and Research competitive grants program, (3) Office of Ocean Exploration and Research updates, and (4) other matters as described in the agenda. The agenda and other meeting materials will be made available on the OEAB website at https://oeab.noaa.gov/.

Status: The meeting will be open to the public with a 15-minute public comment period on the second day of the meeting, Thursday, April 8, 2021, from 3:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. EDT (please check the final agenda on the OEAB website to confirm the time). The public may listen to the meeting and provide comments during the public comment period via teleconference. Participation will be on the meeting agenda on the OEAB website.

The OEAB expects that public statements at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted verbal or written statements. In general, each individual or group making a verbal presentation will be limited to three minutes. The Designated Federal Officer must receive written comments by April 2, 2021, to provide sufficient time for OEAB review. Written comments received after April 2, 2021, will be distributed to the OEAB, but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting date.

Special Accommodations: Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Designated Federal Officer by April 2, 2021.


David Holst,
Director Chief Financial Officer/CAO, Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Gulf of Mexico 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 Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council will hold a one-day meeting via webinar of its Shrimp Advisory Panel (AP).

DATES: The webinar will convene on Tuesday, March 23, 2021, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., EST. For agenda details, see SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held via webinar. Please visit the Gulf Council website www.gulfcouncil.org for meeting materials and webinar registration information.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 4107 W Spruce Street, Suite 200, Tampa, FL 33607; telephone: (813) 348–1630.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Matt Freeman, Economist, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; matt.freeman@gulfcouncil.org, telephone: (813) 348–1630. The Council’s website, www.gulfcouncil.org also has details on the meeting location, proposed agenda, webinar listen-in access, and other materials.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following items are on the agenda, though agenda items may be addressed out of order (changes will be noted on the Council’s website when possible.)

Tuesday, March 23, 2021; 8:30 a.m.–5 p.m.

Meeting will begin with adoption of agenda; approval of minutes from the November 16, 2020 webinar; and, a review of scope of work with its members. The AP will receive an update on Council actions in response to motions from the November 2020 Shrimp AP meeting and on National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Shrimp Working Groups; review 2019 Gulf Shrimp Fishery Effort and Landings; review 2019 Royal Red Index; and, receive information on the Biological Review of Texas Closure. The AP will receive an update on Effort Data Collection; Status of 3G cellular Electronic Logbooks (cELBs); Pilot Program using P-Sea WindPlot; Alternative Options for Consideration; and, Background—Council letter regarding the P-Sea WindPlot pilot program.

The AP will discuss Aquaculture Opportunity Areas in the Gulf of Mexico, Background—Council letter requesting establishment of fishery stakeholder advisory panel; Recommendations for Conducting a Kemp’s Ridley Sea Turtle Stock Assessment; and, Research Projects to Improve Bycatch Estimates in the Shrimp Industry.

The AP will receive public testimony and discuss Other Business: Timeline for Shrimp AP Recruitment.

—Meeting Adjourns

The meeting will be broadcast via webinar. You may register by visiting www.gulfcouncil.org and clicking on the AP meeting on the calendar.

The Agenda is subject to change, and the latest version along with other meeting materials will be posted on www.gulfcouncil.org as they become available.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agenda may come before the group for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act), those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Actions will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice...