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Synopsis

As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3507), the Commission is notifying the public that it received OMB approval on March 24, 2021, for the information collection requirements contained in 47 CFR 54.502(d) and (e), published at 84 FR 70026, December 20, 2019. Under 5 CFR part 1320, an agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it displays a current, valid OMB Control Number.

No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act that does not display a current, valid OMB Control Number. The OMB Control Number is 3060-0806.

The foregoing notice is required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13, October 1, 1995, and 44 U.S.C. 3507.

The total annual reporting burdens and costs for the respondents are as follows:

OMB Control Number: 3060-0806.

OMB Approval Date: March 24, 2021.

OMB Expiration Date: December 31, 2021.

Title: Universal Service—Schools and Libraries Universal Service Program, FCC Forms 470 and 471.

Form No.: FCC Forms 470 and 471.

Respondents: Not-for-profit institutions, and State, Local or Tribal governments.

Number of Respondents and Responses: 43,000 respondents and 67,100 responses.

Estimated Time per Response: 3.5 hours for FCC Form 470 (3 hours for response; 0.5 hours for recordkeeping); 4.5 hours for FCC Form 471 (4 hours for response; 0.5 hours for recordkeeping).

Frequency of Response: Recordkeeping, on occasion and annually reporting requirements.

Obligation to Respond: Required to obtain or retain benefits. Statutory authority for this information collection is contained in sections 47 U.S.C. 151-154, 201-205, 218-220, 254, 303(r), 403 and 405 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

Total Annual Burden: 273,950 hours.

Total Annual Cost: No Cost.

Nature and Extent of Confidentiality: There is no assurance of confidentiality provided to respondents concerning this information collection. However, respondents may request materials or

information submitted to the Commission or to the Administrator be withheld from public inspection under 47 CFR 0.459 of the FCC's rules.

Privacy Act Impact Assessment: No impact(s).

Needs and Uses: Collection of the information on FCC Forms 470 and 471 is necessary so that the Commission and USAC have sufficient information to determine if entities are eligible for funding pursuant to the schools and libraries support mechanism, to determine if entities are complying with the Commission's rules, and to prevent waste, fraud, and abuse. In addition, the information is necessary for the Commission to evaluate the extent to which the E-rate program is meeting the statutory objectives specified in section 254(h) of the 1996 Act, and the Commission's performance goals established in the *E-rate Modernization Order* and *Second E-rate Modernization Order*.

In December 2019, the Commission adopted the *Category Two Order*, which modified E-Rate program rules to, among other things: Make permanent the category two budget approach, which provides applicants with a set amount of category two funding for a five-year period; allow applicants to apply for category two funding on a school district-wide or library system-wide basis, rather than an entity-level basis; and decrease the administrative burden on applicants requesting funding for category two services. The Commission sought to modify the FCC Form 471 to implement these changes for funding year 2021, as set forth in the *Category Two Order*.

The submission was made for proposed non-substantive changes to an existing information collection pursuant to 44 U.S.C. 3507. The submission sought to make non-substantive changes to certain fields, instructions, and the filing process for the FCC Form 471 to implement the changes adopted by the Commission in the *Category Two Order*, FCC 19-117. The submission also sought to make non-substantive changes to the instructions and process by which applicants fill out the FCC Form 471 to improve the user experience and reduce the administrative burden. There are no proposed changes for the FCC Form 470. The FCC Form 471 is contained in an online database.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene Dortch,

Secretary, Office of the Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 622

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RTID 0648-XA938

Fisheries of the Caribbean, Gulf of Mexico, and South Atlantic; Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic; 2021-2022 Recreational Fishing Season for Black Sea Bass

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

ACTION: Temporary rule; recreational season length.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces that the length of the recreational fishing season for black sea bass in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ) of the South Atlantic will extend throughout the species' 2021-2022 fishing year. Announcing the length of the recreational season for black sea bass is one of the accountability measures (AMs) for the recreational sector. This announcement allows recreational fishers to maximize their opportunity to harvest the recreational annual catch limit (ACL) for black sea bass during the fishing season while managing harvest to protect the black sea bass resource.

DATES: This rule is effective from 12:01 a.m. eastern time on April 1, 2021, through March 31, 2022, unless changed by subsequent notification in the **Federal Register**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nikhil Mehta, NMFS Southeast Regional Office, telephone: 727-824-5305, email: nikhil.mehta@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The South Atlantic snapper-grouper fishery includes black sea bass south of 35°15.19' N latitude and is managed under the Fishery Management Plan for the Snapper-Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic Region (FMP). The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council prepared the FMP and the FMP is implemented by NMFS under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act) by regulations at 50 CFR part 622.

The recreational fishing year for black sea bass is April 1 through March 31. The recreational AM for black sea bass requires that before the April 1 start date of each recreational fishing year, NMFS projects the length of the recreational fishing season based on when NMFS

projects the recreational ACL will be met, and announces the recreational season end date in the **Federal Register** (50 CFR 622.193(e)(2)). The purpose of this AM is to have a more predictable recreational season length while still constraining harvest at the recreational ACL to protect the stock from experiencing adverse biological consequences.

The recreational ACL for the 2021–2022 black sea bass fishing year is 310,602 lb (140,887 kg), gutted weight, 366,510 lb (166,246 kg), round weight (50 CFR 622.193(e)(2)).

NMFS estimates that recreational landings of black sea bass for the 2021–2022 fishing year will be less than the 2021–2022 recreational ACL. To make this determination, NMFS compared recreational landings in the last three fishing years when data were available to the recreational ACL for the 2021–2022 black sea bass fishing year. Recreational landings in the past three recent fishing seasons with available data have been below the ACL, and NMFS expects similar landings for the 2021–2022 fishing season. Therefore, because NMFS projects that the recreational landings will be less than the 2021–2022 recreational ACL, NMFS does not expect to close the recreational sector during the fishing year and announces that the season end date for recreational fishing for black sea bass in the South Atlantic EEZ south of 35°15.19' N latitude is March 31, 2022.

Classification

NMFS issues this action pursuant to section 305(d) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act. This action is required by 50 CFR 622.193(e)(2), which was issued pursuant to section 304(b), and is exempt from review under Executive Order 12866.

Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), there is good cause to waive prior notice and an opportunity for public comment on this action, as notice and comment would be unnecessary and contrary to the public interest. Such procedures are unnecessary because the rule establishing the AM has already been subject to notice and comment. Such procedures are contrary to the public interest because of the need to immediately announce the notice of the recreational season length since the season starts April 1, 2021, and all that remains is to notify the public.

For the aforementioned reasons, the Acting Assistant Administrator for NMFS also finds good cause to waive the 30-day delay in the effectiveness of this action under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3).

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

Dated: March 26, 2021.

Jennifer M. Wallace,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 648

[Docket No. 210325–0071]

RIN 0648–BK11

Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Herring; Framework Adjustment 8

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

ACTION: Interim final rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: This rule approves and implements the 2021–2023 Atlantic herring fishery specifications and management measures. Framework Adjustment 8 is required to set the specifications for 2021–2023 and adjusts measures in the herring fishery to allow greater opportunity to catch Atlantic mackerel. The specifications and management measures are intended to meet conservation objectives while providing vessels with sustainable levels of access to the fishery.

DATES:

Effective date: This action is effective March 29, 2021.

Comments due date: Comments must be received on or before May 3, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the analyses supporting this rulemaking, including the Framework Adjustment 8 environmental assessment (EA) prepared by the New England Fishery Management Council (Council) are available from: Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950, telephone (978) 465–0492. The supporting documents are also accessible via the internet at: <https://www.nefmc.org/management-plans/herring> or <http://www.regulations.gov>.

You may submit comments, identified by NOAA–NMFS–2021–0025, by the following method:

Electronic Submission: Submit all electronic public comments via the Federal e-Rulemaking Portal. Go to www.regulations.gov and enter NOAA–

NMFS–2021–0025 in the Search box. Click the “Comment” icon, complete the required fields, and Enter or attach your comments.

Instructions: Comments sent by any other method or received after the end of the comment period, may not be considered by NMFS. All comments received are a part of the public record and will generally be posted for public viewing on www.regulations.gov without change. All personal identifying information (*e.g.*, name, address, etc.), confidential business information, or otherwise sensitive information submitted voluntarily by the sender will be publicly accessible. NMFS will accept anonymous comments (enter “N/A” in the required fields if you wish to remain anonymous).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Aly Pitts, Fishery Management Specialist, (978) 281–9352.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

Regulations implementing the Atlantic Herring Fishery Management Plan (FMP) appear at 50 CFR part 648, subpart K. The regulations at § 648.200 require the Council to recommend herring specifications for NMFS’ review and publication in the **Federal Register**, including: The overfishing limit (OFL); acceptable biological catch (ABC); annual catch limit (ACL); management uncertainty; optimum yield (OY); domestic annual harvest (DAH); domestic annual processing (DAP); U.S. at-sea processing; border transfer; the sub-ACL for each management area, including seasonal periods as allowed by § 648.201(d) and modifications to sub-ACLs as allowed by § 648.201(f); and the amount to be set aside for the research set aside (RSA) (0–3 percent of the sub-ACL from any management area) for up to 3 years. These regulations also provide the Council with the discretion to recommend river herring and shad catch caps as part of the specifications in addition to modifying the incidental possession limit during a closure of a sub-ACL and modifying seasonal area closures.

The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (MSA) permits NMFS to approve, partially approve, or disapprove measures proposed by the Council based only on whether the measures are consistent with the fishery management plan, plan amendment, the MSA and its National Standards, and other applicable law. We intended to propose measures recommended by the Council in September 2020. However, given the greatly reduced catch limits in the