activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the Federal Register, NMFS is forwarding copies of the application to the Marine Mammal Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: August 2, 2021.
Amy Sloan,
Acting Chief, Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RID 0648–XB290]

Pacific Island Fisheries; Marine Conservation Plan for American Samoa; Western Pacific Sustainable Fisheries Fund

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

ACTION: Notice of agency decision.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces approval of a marine conservation plan (MCP) for American Samoa.

DATES: This agency decision is effective from July 25, 2021, through July 24, 2024.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kate Taylor, Sustainable Fisheries, NMFS Pacific Island Regional Office, 808–725–5182.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 204(e) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act) authorizes the Secretary of State, with the concurrence of the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) and in consultation with the Council, to negotiate and enter into a Pacific Insular Area fishery agreement (PIAFA). A PIAFA would allow foreign fishing within the U.S. Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) adjacent to American Samoa, Guam, or the Northern Marianas Islands. The Governor of the Pacific Insular Area to which the PIAFA applies must request the PIAFA. The Secretary of State may negotiate and enter the PIAFA after consultation with, and concurrence of, the applicable Governor.

Before entering into a PIAFA, the applicable Governor, with concurrence of the Council, must develop and submit to the Secretary a three-year MCP for review and approval. The MCP must provide details on the uses for any funds collected by the Secretary. NMFS is the designee of the Secretary for MCP review and approval. The Magnuson-Stevens Act requires payments received under a PIAFA to be deposited into the United States Treasury and then conveyed to the Treasury of the Pacific Insular Area for which funds were collected.

In the case of violations by foreign fishing vessels in the EEZ around any Pacific Insular Area, amounts received by the Secretary attributable to fines and penalties imposed under the Magnuson-Stevens Act (including sums collected from the forfeiture and disposition or sale of property seized subject to its authority) are deposited into the Treasury of the Pacific Insular Area adjacent to the EEZ in which the violation occurred, after direct costs of the enforcement action are subtracted. The Pacific Insular Area government may use funds deposited into the treasury of the Pacific Insular Area for fisheries enforcement and for implementation of an MCP.

Federal regulations at 50 CFR 665.819 authorize NMFS to specify catch limits of longline-caught bigeye tuna for U.S. territories. NMFS may also authorize each territory to allocate a portion of that limit to U.S. longline fishing vessels that are permitted to fish under the Fishery Ecosystem Plan for Pelagic Fisheries of the Western Pacific (PEP). Payments collected under specified fishing agreements are deposited into the Western Pacific Sustainable Fisheries Fund. Any funds attributable to a particular fund, and any funds attributable to a particular territory, may be used only for implementation of that territory’s MCP.

An MCP must be consistent with the Council’s FEPs, must identify conservation and management objectives (including criteria for determining when such objectives are met), and must prioritize planned marine conservation projects. At its June 2021 meeting, the Council reviewed and concurred with the American Samoa MCP. On July 21, 2021, the Governor of American Samoa submitted the MCP to NMFS for review and approval. The following briefly describes the objectives of the MCP. Please refer to the MCP for planned projects and activities designed to meet each objective, the evaluative criteria, and priority ranking. The MCP contains six conservation and management objectives, listed below.

1. Maximize social and economic benefits through sustainable fisheries;
2. Support quality scientific research to assess and manage fisheries;
3. Promote an ecosystem approach in fisheries management;
4. Recognize the importance of island culture and traditional fishing in managing fishery resources and foster opportunities for participation;
5. Promote education and outreach activities and regional collaboration regarding fisheries conservation;
6. Encourage development of technologies and methods to achieve the most effective level of enforcement and to ensure safety at sea.

This notice announces that NMFS has reviewed the MCP and has determined that it satisfies the requirements of the Magnuson-Stevens Act. Accordingly, NMFS has approved the MCP for the 3-year period from July 25, 2021, through July 24, 2024. This MCP supersedes the MCP previously approved for the period July 25, 2018, through July 24, 2021 (83 FR 42490, August 22, 2018).

Dated: July 29, 2021.
Jennifer M. Wallace,
Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Science Advisory Board Meeting

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda for a meeting of the Science Advisory Board (SAB). The members will discuss issues outlined in the section on Matters to be considered.

DATES: The meeting is scheduled for August 25, 2021 from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT). These times and the agenda topics described below are subject to change.

For the latest agenda please refer to the SAB website: http://sab.noaa.gov/SABMeetings.aspx.
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: This is a virtual meeting. The webinar registration links for the August 25, 2021 meeting may be found on the website at http://sab.noaa.gov/SABMeetings.aspx.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Cynthia Decker, Executive Director, SSMC3, Room 11230, 1315 East-West Hwy., Silver Spring, MD 20910; Phone Number: 301–734–1156; Email: Cynthia.Decker@noaa.gov; or visit the SAB website at http://sab.noaa.gov/SABMeetings.aspx.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The NOAA Science Advisory Board (SAB) was established by a Decision Memorandum dated September 25, 1997, and is the only Federal Advisory Committee with responsibility to advise the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere on strategies for research, education, and application of science to operations and information services. SAB activities and advice provide necessary input to ensure that National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) science programs are of the highest quality and provide optimal support to resource management.

Status: The August 25, 2021 meeting will be open to public participation with a 5-minute public comment period at 3:20PM EDT. The SAB expects that public statements presented 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 a total time of three minutes. Written comments for the August 25, 2021 meeting should be received by the SAB Executive Director’s Office by August 18, 2021 to provide sufficient time for SAB review. Written comments received by the SAB Executive Director after these dates will be distributed to the SAB, but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting date.

Special Accommodations: This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for special accommodations may be directed to the Executive Director no later than 12 p.m. on August 18, 2021 for the August 25, 2021 meeting.

Matters to be Considered: The meeting on August 25, 2021 will consider (1) Climate Working Group Review of the NOAA Climate and Fisheries Implementation Approach; (2) SAB Climate Working Group Review of the NOAA Coastal Inundation at Climate Timescales white paper; (3) Priorities for Weather Research Draft Report; (4) Technology and Science Advisory Panel Draft Report. The full agenda will be published on the SAB website. Meeting materials, including work products, will also be available on the SAB website: http://sab.noaa.gov/SABMeetings.aspx.

Dated: July 19, 2021.

Eric Locklear,

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
Department of the Army
[Docket ID USA—2021–HQ–0018]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Department of the Army, Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Information collection notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Provost Marshal General announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by October 4, 2021.

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

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

• Mail: DoD cannot receive written comments at this time due to the COVID–19 pandemic. Comments should be sent electronically to the docket listed above.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number, and title 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.

Any associated form(s) for this collection may be located within this same electronic docket and downloaded for review/testing. Follow the instructions at http://www.regulations.gov for submitting comments. Please submit comments on any given form identified by docket number, form number, and title.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the Department of the Army, Office of the Provost Marshal General, Law Enforcement Division, ATTN: John M. Matthews, 2800 Army, Pentagon, DC 20301–2800 or call the Law Enforcement Division, at 703–614–6461.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:
Title: Associated Form; and OMB Number: Army Sex Offender Information; Department of the Army Form 190–45–SG (Army Law Enforcement Reporting and Tracking System (ALERTS)); OMB Control Number 0702–0128.

Needs and Uses: The information collection requirement is necessary to obtain and record the sex offender registration information of those sex offenders who live, work or go to school on Army installations. Respondents are any convicted sex offender required to register pursuant to any DoD, Army, State government, law, regulation, or policy where they are employed, reside, or are a student and live, work, or go to school on an Army installation. The information collected is used by Army law enforcement to ensure the sex offender is compliant with any court order restrictions.

Affected Public: Business or other for profit; Not-for-profit institutions and Individuals and Households.

Annual Burden Hours: 40.

Number of Respondents: 120.

Responses per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 120.

Average Burden per Response: 20 minutes.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondents are sex offenders required to register with the state and live, work or go to school on an Army Installation. The information collected is used by Army law enforcement and the garrison commander to ensure the sex offender is compliant with any specific court ordered restrictions on Army installations. Data from members