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Members of the public are entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be emailed to David Barreras at [dbarreras@usccr.gov](mailto:dbarreras@usccr.gov).

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Regional Programs Unit Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Records of the meeting will be available via [www.facadatabase.gov](http://www.facadatabase.gov) under the Commission on Civil Rights, Kansas Advisory Committee link. Persons interested in the work of this Committee are directed to the Commission's website, <https://www.usccr.gov>, or may contact the Regional Programs Unit at the above email or street address.

#### Agenda

- I. Welcome & Roll Call
- II. Chair's Comments
- IV. Committee Discussion
- V. Next Steps
- VI. Public Comment
- VII. Adjournment

**Exceptional Circumstance:** Pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.150, the notice for this meeting is given fewer than 15 calendar days prior to the meeting because of the exceptional circumstances of pending expiration of Committee member appointment terms.

Dated: January 18, 2022.

**David Mussatt,**

*Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Office of the Secretary

[Docket No. 220112-0012]

#### Department of Commerce's Identification of Federal Financial Assistance Infrastructure Programs Subject to the Build America, Buy America Provisions of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of availability of Department of Commerce's Identification of Federal Financial Assistance Infrastructure Programs Subject to the Build America, Buy

America Provisions of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act report.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce (DOC) is publishing a report on DOC federal financial assistance infrastructure programs subject to the Build America, Buy America Act Provisions of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (Pub. L. 117-58). The report is entitled "Department of Commerce's Identification of Federal Financial Assistance Infrastructure Programs Subject to the Build America, Buy America Provisions of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act."

**DATES:** The DOC report will be available to the public on January 21, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** The "Department of Commerce's Identification of Federal Financial Assistance Infrastructure Programs Subject to the Build America, Buy America Provisions of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act" report is accessible at: <https://www.commerce.gov/oam/policy/financial-assistance-policy>. Members of the public who are unable to access the report electronically may request a copy of the report from DOC's Information Contact identified below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Questions regarding the report should be directed to John Geisen, Financial Assistance Policy and Oversight Division Director at 202-482-4248 or [jgeisen@doc.gov](mailto:jgeisen@doc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On November 15, 2021, President Biden signed into law the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA), which includes the "Build America, Buy America Act" (Act). The Act ensures that Federal infrastructure programs require the use of materials produced in the United States, increases the requirement for American-made content, and strengthens the waiver process associated with Buy American provisions. The Act requires that within 60 days of its enactment, January 14, 2022, each federal agency must submit to the Office of Management and Budget and Congress a report (60-day report) listing all Federal financial assistance programs for infrastructure administered by the agency. In these 60-day reports, agencies are required to identify and provide a list of which of these programs are "deficient," as defined in the Act. These agency reports must also be published in the **Federal Register**.

The DOC report satisfies the requirements of section 70913 of the Act and is accessible at: <https://>

[www.commerce.gov/oam/policy/financial-assistance-policy](https://www.commerce.gov/oam/policy/financial-assistance-policy).

**Barry E. Berkowitz,**

*Senior Procurement Executive and Director, Office of Acquisition Management.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

[RTID 0648-XB398]

### Review and Comment of National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Tribal Consultation Policy and Procedures: Extension of Public Comment Period

**AGENCY:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice; extension of public comment period.

**SUMMARY:** NOAA is extending the public comment period associated with its request for information (RFI) on its policies and guidance documents for government-to-government consultation with federally recognized Indian Tribes. The RFI was published in the **Federal Register** on Wednesday, November 24, 2021. The public comment period on the RFI was originally scheduled to end January 24, 2022. NOAA is extending that comment period by 30 days and will now consider comments received through February 24, 2022.

**DATES:** The deadline for receipt of comments on the RFI published on November 24, 2021 (83 FR 26009), is extended by 30 days to February 24, 2022.

**ADDRESSES:** Responses should be submitted via email to [heather.sagar@noaa.gov](mailto:heather.sagar@noaa.gov). Include "NOAA Tribal Consultation Policy" in the subject line of the message.

**Instructions:** Response to this request for information (RFI) is voluntary. Email attachments will be accepted in plain text, Microsoft Word, or Adobe PDF formats only. Each individual or institution is requested to submit only one response. NOAA may post responses to this RFI, without change, on a Federal website. It is, therefore, requested that no business proprietary information, copyrighted information, or personally identifiable information be submitted in response to this RFI. Please note that the U.S. Government will not pay for response preparation, or for the use of any information contained in the response.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Heather Sagar, [heather.sagar@noaa.gov](mailto:heather.sagar@noaa.gov), (301) 427-8019.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** On Wednesday, November 24, 2021, NOAA published an RFI seeking comments from Tribal Nations, Tribal officials, members of the public, and other interested parties to help identify appropriate updates or revisions to the following NOAA policies and guidance documents, which facilitate NOAA's implementation of E.O. 13175: (1) Tribal Consultation Handbook titled *NOAA Procedures for Government-to-Government Consultation With Federally Recognized Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Corporations (2013)*; (2) NOAA Administrative Order 218–8 titled *Policy on Government-to-Government Consultation with Federally Recognized Indian Tribes and Alaska Native Corporations (Reaffirmed in 2018)*; and (3) a traditional ecological knowledge (TEK) guidance currently titled *NOAA Fisheries and National Ocean Service Guidance and Best Practices for Engaging and Incorporating Traditional Ecological Knowledge in Decision-Making (2019)*. NOAA proposes revisions to its Tribal Consultation Handbook to reflect lessons learned and improved practices to better facilitate meaningful and effective tribal consultations. NOAA also proposes minor revisions to Administrative Order 218–8 to reflect necessary updates since its issuance in 2014. We are also seeking comments on the existing TEK Guidance, which has not been previously made available for public comment. Though the TEK Guidance is only currently implemented by NOAA Fisheries and the National Ocean Service, NOAA is now extending the applicability of the TEK Guidance to all NOAA Offices. NOAA is interested in whether updates or revisions are appropriate for this TEK Guidance, including terminology. Updates or revisions to NOAA's Tribal Consultation Handbook, Administrative Order, and TEK Guidance will be informed by the input we receive from federally recognized Indian Tribes, the public, and other interested parties.

NOAA has decided to extend the public comment period on the RFI by 30 days to Thursday, February 24, 2022, to allow opportunity for the public to continue to provide information on these important documents. All three documents can be viewed at this NOAA website: <https://www.noaa.gov/legislative-and-intergovernmental-affairs/noaa-tribal-resources-updates>.

Dated: January 14, 2022.

**Richard W. Spinrad,**

*Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere and NOAA Administrator.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648–XB707]

#### Marine Mammals; Issuance of Permits

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

**ACTION:** Notice; issuance of permits.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that individuals and institutions have been issued Letters of Confirmation (LOCs) for activities conducted under the General Authorization for Scientific Research on marine mammals. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for a list of names and addresses of recipients.

**ADDRESSES:** The LOCs and related documents are available for review upon written request via email to [NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov](mailto:NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Amy Hapeman (LOC Nos. 24033, 25471, 25529, and 25638), Carrie Hubard (LOC Nos. 20346, 24045, 24067, 25527, and 25574), Erin Markin (LOC No. 23796), Shasta McClenahan, Ph.D. (LOC No. 23069), Courtney Smith, Ph.D. (LOC Nos. 19540 and 22587), and Sara Young (LOC Nos. 20386, 25751 and 25811) at the email listed above or 301–427–8401.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The requested LOCs have been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing the taking and importing of marine mammals (50 CFR part 216). The General Authorization allows for bona fide scientific research that may result only in taking by Level B harassment of marine mammals. The following LOCs were issued in Fiscal Year 2021 (October 1, 2020–September 30, 2021).

*File No. 24033:* Issued to Eric Montie, Ph.D., University of South Carolina Beaufort, One University Boulevard, Bluffton, South Carolina 29909, on October 23, 2020. This LOC authorizes vessel-based surveys for behavioral observations, photo-identification, passive acoustics, and photography/videography of bottlenose dolphins (*Tursiops truncatus*) in the coastal waters of Bluffton and Hilton Head,

South Carolina. The objectives of the research are to better understand the acoustic ecology of bottlenose dolphins and their prey and to estimate the carrying capacity of bottlenose dolphins in South Carolina and its relation to water quality. The LOC replaces No. 20066 on April 1, 2021 and expires on March 31, 2026.

*File No. 24067:* Issued to Jacqueline Bucsa, George Mason University, 1450 Exploratory Hall, Fairfax, Virginia 22030, on January 28, 2021. This LOC authorizes vessel-based surveys for behavioral observations and photo-identification of bottlenose dolphins in the lower Chesapeake Bay and coastal waters of Virginia. The objectives of the research are to develop an understanding of prey selection by bottlenose dolphins, specifically mother-calf pairs, and to examine how they meet their unique, high energy demands. The LOC expires on January 31, 2023.

*File No. 24045:* Issued to Jeremy Kiszka, Ph.D., Florida International University, 3000 NE 151st Street, Marine Science Building, Room 250D, North Miami, Florida 33181 on February 10, 2021. This LOC authorizes vessel-based surveys for photo-identification, photography, videography, and behavioral observations of bottlenose and Atlantic spotted (*Stenella frontalis*) dolphins. Research may occur in Biscayne Bay and coastal waters of Broward and Miami Dade counties, Florida out to 200 m depth. The objectives of the research are to examine the distribution, behavior and abundance of dolphins in the study area. The LOC expires on February 10, 2024.

*File No. 23069:* Issued to Florida Atlantic University's Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute, 777 Glades Road, Boca Raton, Florida 33431 (Responsible Party [RP]: Daniel Flynn, Ph.D.; Principal Investigator [PI]: Steven Burton) on March 16, 2021. This LOC authorizes monthly vessel-based photo-identification and observational surveys of cetaceans in Florida for research projects involving cetacean biology, ecology, behavior, social structure, health, and anthropogenic activities. The authorized research area includes intercoastal and coastal waters of Florida from Sebastian Inlet to Jupiter Inlet, including the Indian River Lagoon and the Atlantic Ocean. Authorized species include Atlantic spotted, bottlenose, pantropical spotted (*Stenella attenuata*), Risso's (*Grampus griseus*), and rough-toothed (*Steno bredanensis*) dolphins; and humpback (*Megaptera novaeangliae*), long-finned pilot (*Globicephala macrorhynchus*), pygmy