

**Authorization**

NMFS has determined that the level of taking for this LOA request is consistent with the findings made for the total taking allowable under the incidental take regulations and that the amount of take authorized under the LOA is of no more than small numbers. Accordingly, we have issued an LOA to WesternGeco authorizing the take of marine mammals incidental to its geophysical survey activity, as described above.

Dated: April 11, 2023.

**Kimberly Damon-Randall,**

*Director, Office of Protected Resources,  
National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

[RTID 0648-XC918]

**New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Ecosystem-Based Fishery Management Committee (EBFM) and Advisory Panel Chairs to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ).

Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

**DATES:** This hybrid meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 3, 2023, at 10 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** This meeting will be held at the Radisson Airport Hotel, 2081 Post Road, Warwick, RI 02886; phone: (401) 739-3000. Webinar registration URL information: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/783190259286204248>.

*Council address:* New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****Agenda**

The Ecosystem-Based Fishery Management (EBFM) Committee and

Advisory Panel Chairs will meet to review initial simulations and sample output from the Prototype Management Strategy Evaluation (pMSE). The simulations apply the management alternatives to a set of operating models to achieve objectives, all features that were identified at previous stakeholder workshops. The group will receive a short status report on applications for interested parties to develop and lead two online deep-dive workshops and one plenary meeting during August to mid-September. Other business will be discussed as necessary.

Although non-emergency issues not contained on the agenda may come before this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency. The public also should be aware that the meeting will be recorded. Consistent with 16 U.S.C. 1852, a copy of the recording is available upon request.

**Special Accommodations**

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, at (978) 465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: April 12, 2023.

**Rey Israel Marquez,**

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

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Telecommunications and Information Administration****Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Public Wireless Supply Chain Innovation Fund Program**

**AGENCY:** National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of information collection, request for comment.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Commerce, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), invites the 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. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment preceding the submission of the collection to OMB.

**DATES:** To ensure consideration, comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before June 16, 2023.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit written comments by mail to Carolyn Dunn, Grants Director, Innovation Fund, Office of International Affairs, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Room 4701, Washington, DC 20230, or by email to [innovationfund@ntia.gov](mailto:innovationfund@ntia.gov). Please reference *Innovation Fund Data Collection* in the subject line of your comments. Do not submit Confidential Business Information or otherwise sensitive or protected information.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or specific questions related to collection activities should be direct to Carolyn Dunn, Grants Director, Innovation Fund, Office of International Affairs, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW, Room 4701, Washington, DC 20230, or email at [innovationfund@ntia.gov](mailto:innovationfund@ntia.gov) or via telephone at 202-482-4103.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:****I. Abstract**

The Public Wireless Supply Chain Innovation Fund (Innovation Fund), authorized by Section 9202(a)(1) of the *William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021*, Public Law 116-283, 134 Stat. 3388 (Jan. 1, 2021) (*FY21 NDAA*) and appropriated by Div. A., Section 106 of the *CHIPS and Science Act of 2022*, Public Law 117-167, 136 Stat. 1392 (Aug. 9, 2022) provides funding for efforts that accelerate the development, deployment, and adoption of open and interoperable radio access networks (RAN) through a competitive grant program. NTIA will be publishing the program's Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) at [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) to describe the requirements under which it will award grants for the Public

Wireless Supply Chain Innovation Fund. The NOFO requires award recipients to submit a Baseline Report 45 days after grant award. Award recipients must follow the reporting requirements described in Section A.01 Report Requirement of the Department of Commerce Financial Assistance Standard Terms and Conditions (dated November 12, 2020). Additionally, in accordance with 2 CFR part 170, all recipients of a federal award made on or after October 1, 2010, must comply with reporting requirements under the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act of 2006 (Public Law 109–282).

NTIA will use the information collected from each award recipient to effectively administer and monitor the grant program to ensure the achievement of the Innovation Fund purposes and account for the expenditure of federal funds to deter waste, fraud, and abuse.

## II. Method of Collection

### *Public Wireless Supply Chain Innovation Fund*

The Baseline Report is a one-time collection of information from award recipients covering project plans and details about key outputs and outcomes that will be due within 45 days of the issuance of the award. NTIA will collect data through an electronic submission.

## III. Data

*OMB Control Number:* 0660–XXXX.  
*Form Number(s):* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission for new information collection.

*Affected Public:* Grant award recipients consisting of for-profit companies, non-profit companies, institutions of higher education, industry groups, and consortia including two or more such entities.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 30.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 20.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden*

*Hours:* 600.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$28,638.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Mandatory.

*Legal Authority:* Section 9202(a)(1) of the *William M. (Mac) Thornberry National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2021*, Public Law 116–283, 134 Stat. 3388 (Jan. 1, 2021) (FY21 NDAA) and Div. A., Section 106 of the *CHIPS and Science Act of 2022*, Public Law 117–167, 136 Stat. 1392 (Aug. 9, 2022).

## IV. Request for Comments

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

(a) Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility.

(b) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.

(c) Evaluate ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

(d) Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**Sheleen Dumas,**

*Department PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, Commerce Department.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### Patent and Trademark Office

[Docket No.: PTO–P–2022–0045]

### USPTO AI Inventorship: Notice of Public AI Inventorship Listening Session—West Coast

**AGENCY:** United States Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public listening session.

**SUMMARY:** The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) plays an important role in incentivizing and protecting innovation, including innovation enabled by artificial intelligence (AI), to ensure continued U.S. leadership in AI and other emerging technologies (ET). On February 14, 2023, the USPTO published a **Federal Register** Notice requesting comments regarding AI and

Inventorship. The USPTO is announcing a public listening session on May 8, 2023, titled “AI Inventorship Listening Session.” The purpose of the listening session is to seek stakeholder input on the current state of AI technologies and inventorship issues that may arise in view of the advancement of such technologies, as set forth in the questions posed in the **Federal Register** Notice of February 14, 2023.

**DATES:** The AI Inventorship Listening Session will be held on May 8, 2023, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. PT (1 p.m. to 6 p.m. ET). Anyone seeking to attend in-person or speak, in-person or virtually, at the listening session must register by 9 a.m. PT (12 p.m. ET) on May 2, 2023. Anyone seeking to attend virtually at the listening session must register by 2 p.m. PT (5 p.m. ET) May 7, 2023. Seating is limited for in-person attendance.

### **ADDRESSES:**

The public AI Inventorship Listening Session will take place virtually and in-person at Stanford University, Paul Brest Hall, 555 Salvatierra Walk, Stanford, CA 94305. All major entrances to the building are accessible to people with disabilities. Registration is required for both virtual and in person attendance. Information on registration is available at <https://www.uspto.gov/initiatives/artificial-intelligence/ai-and-emerging-technology-partnership-engagement-and-events>. Registrants must indicate whether they are registering as a listen-only attendee or as a speaker participant. More information about requests to participate as a speaker is provided below.

### **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Aleksandr Kerzhner, Supervisory Patent Examiner, 571–270–1760 or Srilakshmi Kumar, Supervisory Patent Examiner, 571–272–7769. You can also send inquiries to [AIPartnership@uspto.gov](mailto:AIPartnership@uspto.gov).

### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### **I. Background**

In June 2022, the USPTO announced the formation of the AI/ET Partnership, which provides an opportunity to bring stakeholders together through a series of engagements to share ideas, feedback, experiences, and insights on the intersection of intellectual property and AI/ET. To build on the AI/ET Partnership efforts, in February 2023, the USPTO issued a **Federal Register** Notice titled “Request for Comments Regarding Artificial Intelligence and Inventorship,” 88 FR 9492 (February 14, 2023) (available at <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2023/02/14/2023-03066/request-for->