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Regulations under the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act require publication of this notification to provide interested parties the opportunity to comment on applications for proposed EFPs.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before November 22, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to Patricia A. Kurkul, Regional Administrator, NMFS, Northeast Regional Office, 1 Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930. Mark the outside of the envelope "Comments on the Massachusetts Flounder Trawl Study." Comments may also be sent via facsimile (fax) to (978) 281-9135, or submitted via e-mail to the following address: DA6327@noaa.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tobey Curtis, Fishery Management Specialist, (978) 281-9273, fax (978) 281-9135.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A complete application for an EFP was submitted on October 23, 2006, by David Chosid and Michael Pol of the Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries (DMF). The project was funded by the Saltonstall-Kennedy Grant Program. The primary goal of the research is to test the efficacy of two experimental flounder trawl designs to reduce the bycatch of cod and sublegal-sized flounders. The intent of the researchers is that the experimental nets, if successful, could potentially be an acceptable alternative trawl design to be used in the future in flounder fisheries and/or in Special Access Programs.

The project continues previous work conducted by DMF, which has preliminarily shown that these net designs significantly reduce the bycatch of cod and sublegal yellowtail flounder, as compared to the standard 2-seam flounder trawl. Specifically, DMF will test the effectiveness of two modified 2-seam flounder trawl designs, referred to as the "Ribas" net and the "Topless" net. The Ribas net is constructed of 6-inch (15.24 cm) diamond mesh with 75 meshes of 6.5-inch (16.51 cm) square knotless mesh in the codend, 25 meshes wide on the top and bottom. The 6-inch (15.24 cm) diamond mesh normally found on the top middle of flounder nets is replaced with 25 meshes wide of 8-inch (20.32 cm) square mesh from the

headrope to the codend. This design has a headrope and footrope length of 60 ft (18.3 m). The Topless net has an identical bottom half and codend to the Ribas net, but has no top wings, and much of the top webbing of the net is removed. The headrope of the Topless net tapers into the top belly of the net, and has a length of 89 ft (27.1 m).

The species of principal interest in the study are cod and yellowtail flounder, but the study will also have implications for other flatfishes, including winter flounder, witch flounder, and American plaice. All fish would be sorted and weighed, and fish of legal size would be retained for sale. All discards would be released as quickly as practicable to reduce incidental mortality. Based on catch data from previous experimental tows, the researchers anticipate that a total of 79,300 lb (35,970 kg) of fish would be harvested throughout the course of the study along with 204,479 lb (92,750 kg) of regulatory discards. All proceeds from the sale of the fish will be returned to DMF for the purpose of enhancing future research.

All at-sea research would be conducted from the F/V Mary Elena (Permit # 330739, O.N. 970254). The vessel intends to fish in the Eastern and Western U.S./Canada Management Areas. The vessel would fish exclusively outside of all closed areas. A total of 11 days would be used for testing the experimental trawls, carried out under A days-at-sea (DAS). An anticipated 70, 2-hour tows, using a twin trawl rig, would be conducted during that time. This effort would result in a total of 140 hours of bottom time for the experimental trawls.

Based on preliminary review of this project, and in accordance with NOAA Administrative Order 216-6, a Categorical Exclusion (CE) from requirements to prepare either an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) or an Environmental Assessment (EA) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) appears to be justified. The applicant may request minor modifications and extensions to the EFP throughout the year. EFP modifications and extensions may be granted without further notice if they are deemed essential to facilitate completion of the proposed research and have minimal impacts that do not change the scope or impact of the initially approved EFP request.

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

Dated: November 2, 2006.

James P. Burgess,
Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 103106A]

U.S. Climate Change Science Program Synthesis and Assessment Product Draft Prospectus 1.2

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

ACTION: Notice of availability and request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration publishes this notice to announce the availability of the draft Prospectus for one of the U.S. Climate Change Science Program (CCSP) Synthesis and Assessment Products for public comment. This draft Prospectus addresses the following CCSP Topic: Product 1.2 Past Climate Variability and Change in the Arctic and at High Latitudes.

After consideration of comments received on the draft Prospectus, the final Prospectus along with the comments received will be published on the CCSP web site.

DATES: Comments must be received by December 7, 2006.

ADDRESSES: The draft Prospectus is posted on the CCSP Program Office web site. The web addresses to access the draft Prospectus is:

Product 2.4
<http://www.climatechange.gov/Library/sap/sap2-4/default.htm>

Detailed instructions for making comments on the draft Prospectus is provided with the Prospectus. Comments should be prepared in accordance with these instructions.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Fabien Laurier, Climate Change Science Program Office, 1717 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 250, Washington, DC 20006, Telephone: (202) 419 3481.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The CCSP was established by the President in 2002 to coordinate and integrate scientific research on global change and climate change sponsored by 13 participating departments and agencies of the U.S. Government. The CCSP is charged with preparing information resources that

support climate-related discussions and decisions, including scientific synthesis and assessment analyses that support evaluation of important policy issues. The Prospectus addressed by this notice provides a topical overview and describes plans for scoping, drafting, reviewing, producing, and disseminating one of 21 final synthesis and assessment Products that will be produced by the CCSP.

Dated: November 1, 2006.

William J. Brennan,

Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for International Affairs, and Acting Director, Climate Change Science Program.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 103106B]

U.S. Climate Change Science Program Synthesis and Assessment Product Draft Prospectus 3.4

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

ACTION: Notice of availability and request for public comments.

SUMMARY: The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration publishes this notice to announce the availability of the draft Prospectus for one of the U.S. Climate Change Science Program (CCSP) Synthesis and Assessment Products for public comment. This draft Prospectus addresses the following CCSP Topic:

Product 3.4 Abrupt Climate Change.

After consideration of comments received on the draft Prospectus, the final Prospectus along with the comments received will be published on the CCSP web site.

DATES: Comments must be received by December 7, 2006.

ADDRESSES: The draft Prospectus is posted on the CCSP Program Office Web site. The Web addresses to access the draft Prospectus is:

<http://www.climatechange.gov/Library/sap/sap2-4/default.htm>

Detailed instructions for making comments on the draft Prospectus is provided with the Prospectus. Comments should be prepared in accordance with these instructions.

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William J. Brennan,

Deputy Assistant Secretary of Commerce for International Affairs, and Acting Director, Climate Change Science Program.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Establishment of Agreed Import Levels for Certain Cotton, Wool, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textiles and Textile Products Produced or Manufactured in the People's Republic of China; Correction

November 2, 2006.

In the letter to the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection published in the **Federal Register** on October 27, 2006 (71 FR 62999), on page 62999, in Column 3, in the table listing restraint levels, please change "Restraint Period" to "Restraint Level" and change the limit for Category 222 from "18,631,460 kilograms" to "18,361,460." A letter has been sent to the Commissioner, Bureau of Customs and Border Protection to make the same changes.

Philip J. Martello,

Acting Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

[OMB Control No. 9000-0007]

Federal Acquisition Regulation; Information Collection; Summary Subcontract Report

AGENCIES: Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

ACTION: Notice of request for comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0007).

SUMMARY: Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat will be submitting to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension of a currently approved information collection requirement concerning summary subcontract report. A request for public comments was published in the **Federal Register** at 71 FR 42838, July 28, 2006. No comments were received. The OMB clearance currently expires on October 31, 2006.

Public comments are particularly invited on: Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Submit comments on or before December 7, 2006.

ADDRESSES: Submit comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of the collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to the General Services Administration, Regulatory Secretariat (VIR), 1800 F Street, NW, Room 4035, Washington, DC 20405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rhonda Cundiff, Contract Policy Division, GSA, (202) 501-0044.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: