

*Workshop Dates, Times, and Locations*

1. April 24, 2008, from 10:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. North Tampa Branch Library, 8916 North Boulevard, Tampa, FL 33604.
2. May 22, 2008, from 9:30 p.m. - 3 p.m. Northeast Regional Library, 1241 Military Cutoff Road, Wilmington, NC 28405.
3. June 19, 2008, from 10 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Rosedale Library, 4036 Jefferson Highway, Jefferson, LA 70121.

*Registration*

To register for a scheduled Atlantic Shark Identification Workshop, please contact Eric Sander by email at [esander@peoplepc.com](mailto:esander@peoplepc.com) or by phone at (386) 852-8588.

*Registration Materials*

To ensure that workshop certificates are linked to the correct permits, participants will need to bring the following items to the workshop:

Atlantic shark dealer permit holders must bring proof that the individual is an agent of the business (such as articles of incorporation), a copy of the applicable permit, and proof of identification.

Atlantic shark dealer proxies must bring documentation from the shark dealer acknowledging that the proxy is attending the workshop on behalf of the Atlantic shark dealer, a copy of the appropriate permit, and proof of identification.

*Workshop Objectives*

The shark identification workshops are designed to reduce the number of unknown and improperly identified sharks reported in the dealer reporting form and increase the accuracy of species-specific dealer-reported information. Reducing the number of unknown and improperly identified sharks will improve quota monitoring and the data used in stock assessments. These workshops will train shark dealer permit holders or their proxies to properly identify Atlantic shark carcasses.

**Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshop**

Effective January 1, 2007, shark limited access and swordfish limited access permit holders must submit a copy of their Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshop certificate in order to renew either permit (71 FR 58057; October 2, 2006). As such, vessel owners who have not attended a workshop and received a NMFS certificate must attend one of the workshops offered in April, May, or June 2008 to fish with or renew either

permit. Additionally, new shark and swordfish limited access permit applicants must attend a Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshop and must submit a copy of their workshop certificate before such permits will be issued.

In addition to certifying permit holders, all longline and gillnet vessel operators fishing on a vessel issued a limited access swordfish or limited access shark permit are required to attend a Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshop. Vessels that have been issued a limited access swordfish or limited access shark permit may not fish unless both the vessel owner and operator have valid workshop certificates. Vessel operators must possess on board the vessel valid workshop certificates for both the vessel owner and the operator at all times. Seven free Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshops were held in 2006, and 34 were held in 2007.

*Workshop Dates, Times, and Locations*

1. April 8, 2008, from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Magnolia Plantation Hotel, 16391 Robinson Road, Gulfport, MS 39503.
2. May 21, 2008, from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Hilton Garden Inn, 5353 N. Virginia Dare Trail, Kitty Hawk, NC 27949.
3. June 18, 2008, from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Holiday Inn Harborside & Gulfview Beach Resort, 401 2nd Street, Indian Rocks Beach, FL 33795.
4. June 25, 2008, from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Holiday Inn, 151 Route 72 East, Manahawkin, NJ 08050.

*Registration*

To register for a scheduled Protected Species Safe Handling, Release, and Identification Workshop, please contact Aquatic Release Conservation ((877) 411-4272), 1870 Mason Ave., Daytona Beach, FL 32117.

*Registration Materials*

To ensure that workshop certificates are linked to the correct permits, participants will need to bring the following items with them to the workshop:

Individual vessel owners must bring a copy of the appropriate permit(s), a copy of the vessel registration or documentation, and proof of identification.

Representatives of a business owned or co-owned vessel must bring proof that the individual is an agent of the business (such as articles of incorporation), a copy of the applicable permit(s), and proof of identification.

Vessel operators must bring proof of identification.

*Workshop Objectives*

The protected species safe handling, release, and identification workshops are designed to teach longline and gillnet fishermen the required techniques for the safe handling and release of entangled and/or hooked protected species, such as sea turtles, marine mammals, and smalltooth sawfish. Identification of protected species will also be taught at these workshops in an effort to improve reporting. Additionally, individuals attending these workshops will gain a better understanding of the requirements for participating in these fisheries. The overall goal for these workshops is to provide participants the skills needed to reduce the mortality of protected species, which may prevent additional regulations on these fisheries in the future.

**Grandfathered Permit Holders**

Participants in the industry-sponsored workshops on safe handling and release of sea turtles that were held in Orlando, FL (April 8, 2005) and in New Orleans, LA (June 27, 2005) were issued a NOAA workshop certificate in December 2006 that is valid for three years. Grandfathered permit holders must include a copy of this certificate when renewing limited access shark and limited access swordfish permits each year. Failure to provide a valid NOAA workshop certificate may result in a permit denial.

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**James P. Burgess**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*  
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**COMMISSION OF FINE ARTS****Notice of Meeting**

The next meeting of the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts is scheduled for 20 March 2008, at 10 a.m. in the Commission's offices at the National Building Museum, Suite 312, Judiciary Square, 401 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20001-2728. Items of discussion may include buildings, parks and memorials.

Draft agendas and additional information regarding the Commission are available on our Web site: <http://www.cfa.gov>. Inquiries regarding the agenda and requests to submit written or oral statements should be addressed to Thomas Luebke, Secretary, U.S.

Commission of Fine Arts, at the above address, or call 202-504-2200. Individuals requiring sign language interpretation for the hearing impaired should contact the Secretary at least 10 days before the meeting date. Dated in Washington DC, 29 February 29, 2008.

**Thomas Luebke, AIA,**

*Secretary.*

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## **CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

### **Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Corporation for National and Community Service.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Corporation for National and Community Service (hereinafter the "Corporation"), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) (44 U.S.C. Sec. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirement on respondents can be properly assessed.

Currently, the Corporation is soliciting comments concerning the proposed renewal and revision of its AmeriCorps\*VISTA Project Progress Report (OMB Control Number 3045-0043). The previously approved Progress Report will expire on October 1, 2008.

This reinstatement with changes reflects the Corporation's intent to modify selected sections of the collection instrument to reduce the burden on respondents and to reflect changes in data considered "core reporting" information to meet a variety of needs, including adding new data elements as needed to ensure information collection captures appropriate data for the Corporation's required performance measurement and other reporting.

Copies of the information collection request can be obtained by contacting the office listed in the addresses section of this notice.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the individual and office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section by May 5, 2008.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by the title of the information collection activity, by any of the following methods:

(1) *By mail sent to:* Corporation for National and Community Service; Attn, Craig Kinnear, Program Analyst, Room 9103A; 1201 New York Avenue, NW., Washington DC, 20525.

(2) By hand delivery or by courier to the Corporation's mailroom at Room 8100 at the mail address given in paragraph (1) above, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

(3) *By fax to:* (202) 565-2789, Attention Craig Kinnear, Program Analyst.

(4) *Electronically through the Corporation's e-mail address system:* [ckinnear@cns.gov](mailto:ckinnear@cns.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Craig Kinnear, (202) 606-6708, or by e-mail at [ckinnear@cns.gov](mailto:ckinnear@cns.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Corporation is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Corporation, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are expected to respond, including the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology (e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses).

### **Background**

The Progress Report (PPR) was designed to assure that AmeriCorps\*VISTA sponsors address and fulfill legislated program purposes, meet agency program management and grant requirements, and assess progress toward project plan goals agreed upon in the signing of the Memorandum of Agreement.

### **Current Action**

The Corporation seeks to revise the previously used PPR to: (a) Reduce

respondent burden; (b) enhance data collected via this information collection tool; (c) establish reporting periods consistent with the Corporation's integrated grants management and reporting policies.

The current PPR is used by AmeriCorps\*VISTA sponsors and grantees to report progress toward accomplishing work plan goals and objectives, reporting actual outcomes related to self-nominated performance measures meeting challenges encountered, describing significant activities, and requesting technical assistance. The PPR is also used to collect demographic data elements used by the Corporation for aggregate reporting purposes. Submissions of the PPR are done quarterly.

The revised PPR will be divided into two separate parts in order to reduce burden and to increase data integrity. All demographic data elements will be removed from the quarterly submissions and added to an annual VISTA Progress Report Supplement (VPRS) due 30 days after the end of the fiscal year. The quarterly reports will retain their purpose of providing monitoring and oversight of individual projects, while the annual data collection will serve the purpose of aggregate performance reporting for the VISTA program. Burden will be reduced by collecting the demographic data elements once a year instead of quarterly. Data integrity will be increased by tying data elements to specific fiscal years rather than project reporting cycles.

The Corporation anticipates making available to all AmeriCorps\*VISTA sponsors and grantees both sections of the revised PPR by July 1, 2008.

*Type of Review:* Renewal.

*Agency:* Corporation for National and Community Service.

*Title:* AmeriCorps\*VISTA Program Progress Report (PPR).

*OMB Number:* 3045-0043.

*Agency Number:* None.

*Affected Public:* AmeriCorps\*VISTA and sponsoring organizations, site supervisors, and members.

*Total Respondents:* 1,100.

*Frequency:* Quarterly for the PPR; annually for the VPRS.

*Average Time Per Response:* 7 hours for the PPR; 9 hours for the VPRS.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 40,700 hours for both the PPR and VPRS.

*Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):* None.

*Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance):* None.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the