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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Arkansas Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a meeting of the Arkansas Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 4:00 p.m. and adjourn at 8:00 p.m. on June 11, 1998, at the North Little Rock Hilton, Two Riverfront Place, North Little Rock, Arkansas 72114. The purpose of the meeting is project planning.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Melvin L. Jenkins, Director of the Central Regional Office, 913-551-1400 (TDD 913-551-1414). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, May 11, 1998.

Carol-Lee Hurley,

Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of Public Meeting of the Rhode Island Advisory Committee

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights, that a meeting of the Rhode Island Advisory Committee to the Commission will convene at 9:00 a.m. and adjourn at 12:30 p.m. on June 5, 1998, at the Rhode Island State House,

Room 102, Providence, Rhode Island 02903. The purpose of the meeting is for the Committee to discuss the status of their project, "An Examination of the Impact of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996 on Legal Immigrants in Rhode Island," and plan future events.

Persons desiring additional information, or planning a presentation to the Committee, should contact Committee Chairperson Robert Lee, 401-351-2712, or Ki-Taek Chun, Director of the Eastern Regional Office, 202-376-7533 (TDD 202-376-8116). Hearing-impaired persons who will attend the meeting and require the services of a sign language interpreter should contact the Regional Office at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date of the meeting.

The meeting will be conducted pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the Commission.

Dated at Washington, DC, May 11, 1998.

Carol-Lee Hurley,

Chief, Regional Programs Coordination Unit.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Fish Tagging Report

ACTION: Proposed Collection; Comment Request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before July 20, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or

copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Dave Rosenthal, Southeast Fisheries Science Center, 75 Virginia Beach Drive, Miami, FL 33149 (305) 361-4253.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

The Cooperative Gamefish Tagging Program (CGFTP) was initiated in 1971 as part of a comprehensive research program resulting from passage of Public Law 86-395 and other legislative acts under which the National Marine Fisheries Service operates. The program attempts to determine the migratory patterns and other biological information of billfish, tunas, and other highly migratory species. The Fish Tagging Report card and the Fish Tag Issue Report card are necessary when a tag is used. They are provided to the angler with the tags. When an angler receives the tags, he/she returns the Tag Issue Report card to NMFS to register the series of tags that were issued. When the angler releases a fish, he/she takes the Fish Tagging Report Card with a tag attached, removes the numbered tag, applies the tag to the fish, and then mails the completed card (which has a number matching the tag number) to NMFS, where the data is stored.

II. Method of Collection

Fishermen volunteer to tag and release their catch. When requested, NMFS provides the volunteers with fish tags for their use when they release their fish. Usually a group of five tags are sent at one time. When the angler receives their tags, they respond by completing the Tag Issue Report card and submits this to NMFS. When a tag is applied to a fish, the corresponding data is reported on the Fish Tagging Report card and submitted to NMFS. When a tagged fish is recaptured, the tag has the address of NMFS and a tag number. The person with the tagged fish can mail it back to NMFS where information on the fish is recorded and matched with the release data. The Tag Recapture Card is cleared under OMB Approval Number 0648-0259.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0247.

Type of Review: Regular Submission.

Affected Public: Individuals.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10,000.

Estimated Time per Response: 2 minutes.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: 300.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0 (no capital expenditures are required).

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: May 14, 1998.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Southeast Region Gear Identification Requirements

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before July 20, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington, D.C. 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Edward E. Burgess, 9721 Executive Center Drive North, St. Petersburg, FL, 33702, 813-570-5326.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Under the provisions of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.) NOAA is responsible for management of the Nation's marine fisheries. As part of its efforts to enforce fishery regulations, NOAA has included in some of those regulations requirements that fishing gear be marked. The ability to link gear to its owner or operator is essential for enforcement in these fisheries, and the identification of gear is also useful in actions concerning the damage or loss of gear. NOAA has previously received Paperwork Reduction Act clearance for all of its gear-marking requirements under one Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number, 0648-0305, but for internal management reasons NOAA intends that future clearances will be obtained on a regional or fishery basis. This notice is for the requirements imposed in the Southeast Region for the following: coral aquacultured live rock; golden crab traps; reef fish traps and floats; Spanish mackerel gillnet floats; spiny lobster traps; snapper-grouper traps (pots); stone crab traps.

II. Method of Collection

Fishermen in selected fisheries must mark their fishing gear. Aquacultured live rock which is not geologically distinguishable from naturally occurring substrate must be marked or tagged. Each fish or spiny lobster trap or pot must be marked with a tag and a buoy must be used to mark the traps. Gillnets for Spanish mackerel on the east coast of Florida must be marked with floats.

III. Data

OMB Number: New Number to be Assigned.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Business and other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,000.

Estimated Time Per Response: Each trap will require 7 minutes to mark. It will take 10 seconds to mark each coral rock and it will take 20 minutes to mark a Spanish mackerel gillnet float.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 2,187.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$15,275.

IV. Request for Comments

Comments are invited on: (a) 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; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden (including hours and cost) of the proposed collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for OMB approval of this information collection; they also will become a matter of public record.

Dated: May 14, 1998.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Marine Recreational Fishery Statistics Survey

ACTION: Proposed collection; comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before July 20, 1998.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to Stephen Meyers, Fisheries