

New Bedford Harbor Trustee Council has been established to plan, implement, and oversee restoration activities using monies resulting from settlement with the parties responsible for the releases. Acting on behalf of state and Federal interests and with powers from federal and state hazardous waste laws, the Massachusetts Executive Office of Environmental Affairs, the U.S. Department of the Interior (U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service), and the U.S. Department of Commerce (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration/National Marine Fisheries Service) developed a restoration program for the New Bedford Harbor environment.

This information collection establishes a universe of acceptable restoration projects and provides an opportunity for the public to formally suggest restoration ideas which the Trustee Council could undertake. Each restoration idea is evaluated and ranked by applying a point score based upon the importance of the particular criteria and how well the project meets that criteria. At the conclusion of the evaluation process, the scores will be tallied and preferred alternatives will be recommended to the Trustee Council. All alternatives will be subject to public review through hearings and comment periods. Public comment will be considered by the Trustees who will make final recommendations. The Trustees final recommendations will be forwarded to the U.S. District Court for approval. If approval is received, the Trustees will implement individual projects.

II. Method of Collection

Forms have been designed to assist the respondents in describing their restoration idea and how it meets the Trustee Council's established criteria. The form and instructions are available upon request. Completed forms may be submitted either in writing or electronically.

III. Data

OMB Number: 0648-0302.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Individuals or households, business and other for-profit, not for profit institutions, Federal government, and state, local or tribal government.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 50.

Estimated Time Per Response: 1 hour.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 100.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: No capital expenditures 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: June 1, 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 Vessel 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, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before August 4, 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 a requirement that fishing vessels display the vessel's official number in a specific way. The display of the number assists law enforcement officials in monitoring fishing and other activities and to ascertain whether the vessel is participating in activities authorized for that vessel.

NOAA has previously received Paperwork Reduction Act clearance for all of its vessel-identification requirements under one Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number, 0648-0306, 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 fisheries: coastal migratory pelagics; Columbian waters; coral; spiny lobster; reef fish; rock shrimp; shrimp; snapper-grouper; golden crab; and stone crab.

II. Method of Collection

The vessel's official number must be displayed in a specified size on the port and starboard sides of the deckhouse and on a weather deck.

III. Data

OMB Number: None.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Business and other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 7,000.

Estimated Time Per Response: 45 minutes (15 minutes for each of 3 specified locations).

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 5,250.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$210,000.

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: June 1, 1998.

Linda Engelmeier,

Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of Management and Organization.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Vessel Identification Requirements for Fishing in the Southern Ocean Areas of the Convention of Antarctic Marine Living Resources

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 August 4, 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 Robin Tuttle, Office of Science and Technology, National Marine Fisheries Service, Room 14212, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301-713-2282).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

Under the provisions of the Convention of Antarctic Marine Living Resources a requirement had been imposed that vessels operating in certain areas of the southern oceans and fishing for finfishes, krill, or crab display the vessel's official number in a specific way. The display of the number assists law enforcement officials in monitoring fishing and other activities and to ascertain whether the vessel is participating in activities authorized for that vessel.

NOAA has previously received Paperwork Reduction Act clearance for all of its vessel-identification requirements under one Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number, 0648-0306, but for internal management reasons NOAA intends that future clearances will be obtained on a regional or fishery basis.

II. Method of Collection

The vessel's official number must be displayed in a specified size on the port and starboard sides of the deckhouse and on a weather deck.

III. Data

OMB Number: None.

Form Number: N/A.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Business and other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1.

Estimated Time Per Response: 45 minutes (15 minutes for each of 3 specified locations).

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$40.

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.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

NOAA Satellite Ground Station Customer Questionnaire

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 August 4, 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 George Winston, E/SP3, 4700 Silver Hill Road, Suitland, MD 20233-9909 (301-457-5681).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

NOAA retransmits low-resolution satellite imagery and other meteorological data to a worldwide user community having specialized electronic equipment and satellite receiving-station capabilities. Imagery and data are provided from GOES, TIROS, and METEOSAT satellites. NOAA requires a minimal amount of information from persons to determine their station location and receiving status, the satellite(s) from which they wish to receive products, and related data. Current system users are also periodically asked to update their information. The form is always available on the World-Wide-Web for users needing to change their information.