

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Jim Seger, Staff Officer (Economist), telephone: (503) 820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The purpose of the TIQC working meeting is to begin development of alternatives for an individual quota program to cover limited entry trawl landings in the West Coast groundfish fishery. Committee charge, decision rules, and the purpose, need and objectives for an individual quota program will also be addressed.

Although nonemergency issues not contained in this announcement may come before the TIQC for discussion, during this meeting those issues may not be the subject of a TIQC recommendation for a final Council action that results in Council recommendation to NOAA fisheries. Recommendations for such final action by the Council 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 Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the GMT's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Ms. Carolyn Porter at (503) 820-2280 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: October 7, 2003.

Richard W. Surdi,

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

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 100703B]

Endangered Species; File No. 1448

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

ACTION: Receipt of application

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the Northeast Fisheries Science Center, National Marine Fisheries Service, 166 Water Street, Woods Hole, MA 02543-1097, has applied in due form for a permit to take loggerhead (*Caretta caretta*), leatherback (*Dermochelys*

coriacea), Kemp's ridley (*Lepidochelys kempii*), green (*Chelonia mydas*), and hawksbill (*Eretmochelys imbricata*) sea turtles for purposes of scientific research.

DATES: Written or telefaxed comments must be received on or before November 13, 2003.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301) 713-2289; fax (301) 713-0376; and Northeast Region, NMFS, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930-2298; phone (978) 281-9200; fax (978) 281-9371.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patrick Opay, (301) 713-1401 or Sarah Wilkin, (301) 713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR 222-226).

The applicant proposes to conduct biological sampling of sea turtles incidentally taken in commercial fisheries in state waters and the Exclusive Economic Zone in the northwest Atlantic Ocean. The primary objectives of the proposed research are to determine the size and composition of populations of sea turtles found in the commercial fishing areas and to establish individual identities of turtles which will permit subsequent determination of growth rates, possible stock origins and movement patterns. The research will contribute to the understanding of the pelagic ecology of these species, permit more complete models of their population dynamics, and allow more reliable assessments of commercial fishery impacts.

The researchers will sample turtles which have already been taken in legally operating commercial fisheries operating from the Gulf of Maine through North Carolina. The applicant proposes to photograph, measure, scan for PIT tags, biopsy sample, flipper tag and transport 300 loggerhead, 85 leatherback, 10 Kemp's ridley, 10 green, and 10 hawksbill sea turtles annually. The applicant is requesting a 5 year permit. No mortalities are expected as a result of this research.

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this application should be mailed to the Chief, Permits,

Conservation and Education Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

Comments may also be submitted by facsimile at (301) 713-0376, provided the facsimile is confirmed by hard copy submitted by mail and postmarked no later than the closing date of the comment period. Please note that comments will not be accepted by e-mail or by other electronic media.

Dated: October 8, 2003.

Jill Lewandowski,

Acting Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D.093003A]

Marine Mammals; File No. 699-1720

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

ACTION: Issuance of permit.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Dr. Kathryn Ono, Department of Biological Sciences, University of New England, 11 Hills Beach Road, Biddeford, Maine, 04005 has been issued a permit to take (*Phoca vitulina concolor*), gray seals (*Halichoerus grypus*), harp seals (*Phoca groenlandica*) and hooded seals (*Cystophora cristata*) for purposes of scientific research.

ADDRESSES: The permit and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910; phone (301) 713-2289; fax (301) 713-0376; and Northeast Region, NMFS, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930-2298; phone (978) 281-9200; fax (978) 281-9371.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sarah Wilkin or Jennifer Jefferies, (301) 713-2289.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On July 29, 2003, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (68 FR 44526) that a

request for a scientific research permit to take "the species identified above" had been submitted by the above-named individual. The requested permit has been issued under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216).

The purpose of the research is to assess the health of the Northeast Atlantic harbor seal population residing along the coast of Maine. The permit authorizes the applicant to take up to 200 harbor seals annually by capture, and physically restrain and sample 20 young of the year pups. Morphometric measurements, samples of blood, feces, and skin biopsies will be taken, and flipper tags attached. Annually, up to 10 pups will have satellite tags attached to allow movement tracking and behavioral analysis. Accidental mortality of 2 harbor seals annually is authorized. Accidental capture and immediate release of 5 gray seals, 3 harp seals, and 3 hooded seals annually is also authorized. Additionally, Level B Harassment (disturbance of animals on haul-outs) is authorized for 400 harbor seals, 5 grey seals, 3 harp seals and 3 hooded seals annually. The research will study movement and migration patterns for young of the year pups. The movements, disease load, survival and behavior of wild-caught pups will be compared with rehabilitated pups from the same population and cohort to determine baseline "normal" behavior. The Permit will expire September 30, 2008.

Dated: October 2, 2003.

Stephen L. Leathery,

Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Sunshine Act Meeting

TIME AND DATE: 2 p.m., Tuesday, October 21, 2003.

PLACE: 1155 21st. St., NW., Washington, DC, Room 1012.

STATUS: Closed.

MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED: Enforcement matters.

CONTACT PERSON FOR MORE INFORMATION: Jean A. Webb, 202-418-5100.

Jean A. Webb,

Secretary of the Commission.

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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. 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 its proposed Learn and Serve America Progress Report for all 2003 grantees. Copies of the information collection request can be obtained by contacting the office listed below in the **ADDRESSES** section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section by December 15, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Send comments to the Corporation for National and Community Service, Attention Mr. Mark Abbott, Associate Director for Grants Management, Learn and Serve America, 1201 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20525.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mark W. Abbott at (202) 606-5000, ext 120 or by e-mail at mabbott@cns.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Corporation is seeking 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 to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques.

Background

Currently, Learn and Serve America collects progress reports twice per grant cycle. The progress reports are used to evaluate grantees progress towards meeting performance measures and to help evaluate grantees' Continuation Applications for second and third year funding requests. This year all grantees will be strongly encouraged to file progress reports on eGrants, the Corporation's web-based grant management system.

Current Action

The Corporation is seeking public comment for approval of the twice yearly program Progress Report.

Type of Review: New information collection.

AGENCY: Corporation for National and Community Service.

Title: Learn and Serve America Progress Report.

OMB Number: None.

Agency Number: None.

Affected Public: Current LSA Grantees.

Total Respondents: 134.

Frequency: Twice per year.

Average Time Per Response: 2 hours.

Estimated Total Burden Hours: 536 hours.

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 information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: October 7, 2003.

Amy B. Cohen,

Director, Learn and Serve America.

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