

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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Fisheries Off West Coast States and in the Western Pacific; Western Pacific Crustacean Fisheries; 2006 Harvest Guideline

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

ACTION: Notification of harvest guideline for crustaceans.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces that the annual harvest guideline for the commercial lobster fishery in the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands (NWHI) for calendar year 2006 is established at zero lobsters.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Harman, NMFS Pacific Islands Regional Office, at (808) 944-2207.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the regulations implementing the Fishery Management Plan for Crustacean Fisheries of the Western Pacific Region (Crustaceans FMP) at 50 CFR 660.50(b)(2), every year NMFS is required to publish a harvest guideline for lobster Permit Area 1, which encompasses the Exclusive Economic Zone around the NWHI.

The fishery has been closed since 2000 for several reasons, including: (a) as a precautionary measure to prevent overfishing of the lobster resources while NMFS conducts biological research and assessment on the lobster stocks; (b) to comply with an order of the U.S. District Court for the District of Hawaii to keep the NWHI commercial lobster fishery closed until an environmental impact statement and a biological opinion have been prepared for the Crustaceans FMP; and (c) to be consistent with the NWHI Coral Reef Ecosystem Reserve, and the current process of designating certain waters of the NWHI as a national marine sanctuary.

NMFS announces the harvest guideline for the NWHI commercial lobster fishery for calendar year 2006 is established as zero lobsters, and no harvest of NWHI lobster resources is allowed. NMFS intends to continue to study and assess the status of the lobster populations in the NWHI and examine the resulting information to determine the appropriate direction for future fishery management actions.

Dated: February 14, 2006.

James P. Burgess,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**Department of the Navy****Notice of Availability for the Draft 2006 Supplemental Environmental Assessment to the 2002 Rim of the Pacific Programmatic Environmental Assessment, Hawaii; Correction**

AGENCY: Department of the Navy, DOD.

ACTION: Notice; correction.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Navy published a document in the **Federal Register** of January 20, 2006, concerning the draft 2006 Supplemental Environmental Assessment to the 2002 Programmatic Environmental Assessment (Supplemental PEA) for the Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) Hawaii exercise. The notice incorrectly identified the United States National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Atmospheric and Oceanic Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce, as a cooperating agency.

Correction

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pacific Fleet Environmental Office at 808-474-7836 or write to Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet (N01CE1), 250 Makalapa Drive, Pearl Harbor, HI 96860.

Correction: The United States National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Atmospheric and Oceanic Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce, is not a cooperating agency in the preparation of the Supplemental PEA.

Dated: February 14, 2006.

Eric McDonald,

Lieutenant Commander, Judge Advocate General's Corps, U.S. Navy, Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests**

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of the Chief Information Officer, invites comments on the proposed information collection

requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before April 24, 2006.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35) requires that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) provide interested Federal agencies and the public an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. OMB may amend or waive the requirement for public consultation to the extent that public participation in the approval process would defeat the purpose of the information collection, violate State or Federal law, or substantially interfere with any agency's ability to perform its statutory obligations. The IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of the Chief Information Officer, publishes that notice containing proposed information collection requests prior to submission of these requests to OMB. Each proposed information collection, grouped by office, contains the following: (1) Type of review requested, e.g. new, revision, extension, existing or reinstatement; (2) Title; (3) Summary of the collection; (4) Description of the need for, and proposed use of, the information; (5) Respondents and frequency of collection; and (6) Reporting and/or Recordkeeping burden. OMB invites public comment. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: February 13, 2006.

Angela C. Arrington,

IC Clearance Official, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Federal Student Aid

Type of Review: Extension.

Title: Federal Perkins/NDL Loan Assignment Form.

Frequency: On Occasion.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profit; Individuals or household; Not-for-profit institutions.

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden:

Responses: 21,262.

Burden Hours: 8,505.

Abstract: This form is used to collect pertinent data regarding student loans from institutions participating in the Federal Perkins Loan Program. The Perkins Assignment Form serves as the transmittal document in the assignment of such loans to the Federal government.

Requests for copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 2992. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Potomac Center, 9th Floor, Washington, DC 20202-4700. Requests may also be electronically mailed to IC DocketMgr@ed.gov or faxed to 202-245-6623. Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to the e-mail address IC DocketMgr@ed.gov. Individuals who use a telecommunications device for the deaf (TDD) may call the Federal Information Relay Service (FIRS) at 1-800-877-8339.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**A National Dialogue: The Secretary of Education's Commission on the Future of Higher Education**

AGENCY: A National Dialogue: The Secretary of Education's Commission on the Future of Higher Education, Department of Education.

ACTION: Notice of public hearing.

SUMMARY: This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda of an upcoming public hearing with members of A National Dialogue: The Secretary of Education's Commission on the Future of Higher Education (Commission). Notice of this meeting is required by section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and is intended to notify the public of their opportunity to attend.

DATES: Monday, March 20, 2006; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The public hearing will be held in Boston, MA, at the Fairmont

Copley Plaza, 138 St. James Avenue, Boston, MA.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cheryl Oldham, Executive Director, A National Dialogue: The Secretary of Education's Commission on the Future of Higher Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., Washington, DC 20202-3510; telephone: (202) 205-8741.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission is established by the Secretary of Education to begin a national dialogue about the future of higher education in this country. The purpose of this Commission is to consider how best to improve our system of higher education to ensure that our graduates are well prepared to meet our future workforce needs and are able to participate fully in the changing economy. The Commission shall consider Federal, State, local and institutional roles in higher education and analyze whether the current goals of higher education are appropriate and achievable. The Commission will also focus on the increasing tuition costs and the perception of many families, particularly low-income families, that higher education is inaccessible.

The agenda for this public hearing will begin with presentations from panels of invited speakers addressing the four areas of focus for the Commission: access, accountability, affordability, and quality. After the presentations by invited speakers, there will be time reserved for comments from the public.

If you are interested in participating in the public comment period to present comments to the Commission, you are requested to reserve time on the agenda of the meeting by e-mail or phone. Please include your name, the organization you represent if appropriate, and a brief description of the issue you would like to present.

Participants will be allowed approximately three to five minutes to present their comments, depending on the number of individuals who reserve time on the agenda. At the meeting, participants are also encouraged to submit four written copies of their comments. Persons interested in making comments are encouraged to address the following issues and questions:

- (1) How accessible is higher education today? Is this changing?
- (2) Do students have access to the institutions best suited to their needs and abilities?
- (3) What is the real cost of educating college students? How fast is it rising?
- (4) What is the true price of a college education?
- (5) What is the quality of higher education in America?

(6) How well are universities meeting specific national needs?

Given the expected number of individuals interested in providing comments at the meeting, reservations for presenting comments should be made as soon as possible. Persons who are unable to obtain reservations to speak during the meeting are encouraged to submit written comments. Written comments will be accepted at the meeting site or may be mailed to the Commission at the address listed above.

Individuals who will need accommodations for a disability in order to attend the meeting (e.g., interpreting services, assistive listening devices, or materials in alternative format) should notify Carrie Marsh at (202) 205-8741 no later than March 3, 2006. We will attempt to meet requests for accommodations after this date but cannot guarantee their availability. The meeting site is accessible to individuals with disabilities.

Individuals interested in attending the meeting must register in advance because of limited space issues. Please contact Carrie Marsh at (202) 205-8741 or by e-mail at Carrie.Marsh@ed.gov.

Opportunities for public comment are available through the Commission's Web site at <http://www.ed.gov/about/bdscomm/list/hiedfuture/index.html>. Records are kept of all Commission proceedings and are available for public inspection at the staff office for the Commission from the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Dated: February 13, 2006.

Margaret Spellings,

Secretary, U.S. Department of Education.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Office of Environmental Management; Environmental Management Advisory Board Meeting**

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces a meeting of the Environmental Management Advisory Board (EMAB). The Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) requires that public notice of these meetings be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Wednesday, March 22, 2006, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Thursday, March 23, 2006, 9 a.m.-12 p.m.