

NMFS is required to publish the harvest guidelines for lobster Permit Area 1 around the NWHI. Although the lobster stock is not overfished, the NWHI lobster fishery has been closed since 2000: (1) as a precautionary measure to prevent overfishing of the lobster resources; (2) in compliance with an order of the U.S. District Court for the District of Hawaii to keep the crustacean fisheries closed until an environmental impact statement and a biological opinion have been prepared for the crustacean fisheries in the western Pacific region; and (3) consistent with Executive Orders 13178 and 13196, issued in December 2000 and January 2001, respectively, that appear to close indefinitely the NWHI crustacean fishery.

NMFS announces that it will not be publishing any harvest guideline for this fishery for the year 2003 and no harvest of NWHI lobster resources will be allowed. NMFS intends to conduct biological research on the status of NWHI lobster resources and to examine the resulting data for indications as to the appropriate direction for future fishery management actions.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: February 13, 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

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Coral, Golden Crab, Shrimp, Spiny Lobster, Red Drum, Coastal Migratory Pelagic Resources, and Snapper-Grouper Fisheries of the South Atlantic

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

ACTION: Issuance of an exempted fishing permit.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces the issuance of an exempted fishing permit (EFP) for the North Carolina Aquariums (applicant), headquartered in Raleigh, NC. The EFP would authorize the applicant, with certain conditions, to collect up to 50 red porgy and up to 500 lb (0.23 mt) of coral/live rock each year for 2 years in Federal waters off North Carolina for public display. This EFP is

similar to a previously approved EFP that expired on December 31, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Copies of the EFP are available from Peter Eldridge, Southeast Regional Office, NMFS, 9721 Executive Center Drive N., St. Petersburg, FL 33702.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The EFP is issued under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*), and regulations at 50 CFR 600.745(b).

The North Carolina Aquariums (NCA), is headquartered in Raleigh, NC. The EFP would authorize the applicant, with certain conditions, to collect up to 50 red porgy and up to 500 lb (0.23 mt) of coral/live rock each year for 2 years in Federal waters off North Carolina for public display.

The NCA, located at Roanoke Island, Pine Knoll Shores, and Kure Beach, are public, non-profit, self-supporting institutions established to promote an awareness, understanding, and appreciation of the diverse natural and cultural resources associated with North Carolina's ocean, estuaries, rivers, streams and other aquatic environments. The aquariums represent institutions of major educational and conservation value, offering free admission to school children in groups and extensive field study and outreach programs. The specimens will be maintained in the various NCA.

The proposed collection involves activities otherwise prohibited by regulations implementing the Fishery Management Plans of the South Atlantic Region for Coral, Coral Reefs, and Live/Hard Bottom Habitats, and Snapper-Grouper Fisheries. The applicant requires authorization to harvest and possess corals, live rock, and red porgy taken from Federal waters off North Carolina.

The EFP has a number of conditions concerning the harvest of prohibited species and corals, the gear that can be employed, and bycatch restrictions. The EFP requires an annual report that lists specimens that are taken.

A notice of receipt of the application for this permit was published in the **Federal Register** on November 21, 2002 (67 FR 70216). In addition to announcing the receipt of the application, public comments were requested. No public comments were received. Also, consistent with the requirements of 50 CFR 600.745(b)(3)(i), NMFS provided copies of the EFP

application and information to the State of North Carolina, the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, and the U.S. Coast Guard along with information on the EFP's effects on target species. All of the consulted entities supported the issuance of the EFP.

Failure of the permittee to comply with the terms and conditions of the EFP may be grounds for revocation, suspension or modification of this permit, as well as civil or criminal sanctions.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: February 13, 2003.

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

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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

National Senior Service Corps; Schedule of Income Eligibility Levels

AGENCY: Corporation for National and Community Service.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This Notice revises the schedules of income eligibility levels for participation in the Foster Grandparent Program (FGP) and the Senior Companion Program (SCP) of the Corporation for National and Community Service, published in 67 FR 18593, April 16, 2002.

DATES: These guidelines go into effect on March 1, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Corporation for National and Community Service, Ruth Archie, National Senior Service Corps, Attn: Ms. Ruth Archie, 1201 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20525, by telephone at (202) 606-5000, ext. 289, or e-mail: *rarchie@cns.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY: The revised schedules are based on changes in the Poverty Guidelines issued by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), published in 68 FR 6456-6458, February 7, 2003. In accordance with program regulations, the income eligibility level for each State, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and the District of Columbia is 125 percent of the DHHS Poverty Guidelines, except in those areas determined by the Corporation to be of higher cost of living. In such instances, the guidelines shall be 135 percent of the DHHS Poverty levels (See attached list of High Cost Areas). The

level of eligibility is rounded to the next higher multiple of \$5.00

In determining income eligibility, consideration should be given to the following, as set forth in 45 CFR 2551–2553 dated October 1, 1999, as amended per the **Federal Register**, Vol. 67, No. 188, Friday, September 27, 2002.

Allowable medical expenses are annual out-of-pocket expenses for health insurance premiums, health care services, and medications provided to the applicant, enrollee, or spouse and

were not and will not be paid for by Medicare, Medicaid, other insurance, or by any other third party and, must not exceed 15 percent of the applicable Corporation income guideline.

Annual income is counted for the past 12 months, for serving SCP and FGP volunteers, and is projected for the subsequent 12 months, for applicants to become SCP and FGP volunteers, and includes: The applicant or enrollee's income and the applicant to enrollee's

spouse's income, if the spouse lives in the same residence. Sponsors must count the value of shelter, food, and clothing, if provided at no cost the applicant, enrollee or spouse.

Any person whose income is not more than 100 percent of the DHHS Poverty Guideline for her/his specific family unit shall be given special consideration for participation in the Foster Grandparent and Senior Companion Programs:

2003 FGP/SCP INCOME ELIGIBILITY LEVELS

[Based on 125 Percent of DHHS Poverty Guidelines]

States	Family units of			
	One	Two	Three	Four
All, except High Cost Areas, Alaska & Hawaii	\$11,225	\$15,150	\$19,075	\$23,000

For family units with more than four members, add \$3,925 for each additional member in all States except designated High Cost Areas, Alaska and Hawaii.

2003 FGP/SCP INCOME ELIGIBILITY LEVELS FOR HIGH COST AREAS

[Based on 135 Percent of DHHS Poverty Guidelines]

States	Family units of			
	One	Two	Three	Four
All, except Alaska & Hawaii	\$12,125	\$16,365	\$20,605	\$24,840
Alaska	15,135	20,440	25,745	31,050
Hawaii	13,950	18,820	23,695	28,570

For family units with more than four members, add: \$4,240 for all areas, \$5,305 for Alaska, and \$4,875 for Hawaii, for each additional member.

The income eligibility levels specified above are based on 135 percent of the DHHS poverty guidelines and are applicable to the following high cost metropolitan statistical areas and primary metropolitan statistical areas:

High Cost Areas

(Including all Counties/Locations Included in that Area as Defined by the Office of Management and Budget)

Alaska

(All Locations)

California

Los Angeles/Compton/San Gabriel/Long Beach/Hawthorne (Los Angeles County)

Santa Barbara/Santa Maria/Lompoc (Santa Barbara County)

Santa Cruz/Watsonville (Santa Cruz County)

Santa Rosa/Petaluma (Sonoma County)

San Diego/El Cajon (San Diego County)

San Jose/Los Gatos (Santa Clara County)

San Francisco/San Rafael (Marin County)

San Francisco/Redwood City (San Mateo County)

San Francisco (San Francisco County)

Oakland/Berkeley (Alameda County)

Oakland/Martinez (Contra Costa County)

Anaheim/Santa Ana (Orange County)

Oxnard/Ventura (Ventura County)

Connecticut

Stamford (Fairfield)

District of Columbia/Maryland/Virginia

District of Columbia and surrounding Counties in Maryland and Virginia.

MD Counties: Anne Arundel, Calvert, Charles, Cecil, Frederick, Howard, Montgomery, Prince Georges, and Queen Anne's Counties.

Va Counties: Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, Prince William, Stafford, Alexandria City, Fairfax City, Falls Church City, Manassas City and Manassas Park City.

Hawaii

(All Locations)

Illinois

Chicago/Des Plaines/Oak Park/Wheaton/Woodstock (Cook, DuPage and McHenry Counties)

Massachusetts

Barnstable (Barnstable)

Edgartown (Dukes)

Boston/Malden (Essex, Norfolk, Plymouth, Middlesex and Suffolk Counties)

Worcester (Worcester City)

Brockton/Wellesley/Braintree/Boston (Norfolk County)

Dorchester/Boston (Suffolk County)

Worcester (City)(Worcester County)

New Jersey

Bergen/Passaic/Patterson (Bergen and Passaic Counties)

Jersey City (Hudson)

Middlesex/Somerset/Hunterdon

(Hunterdon, Middlesex and Somerset Counties)

Monmouth/Ocean/Spring Lake (Monmouth and Ocean Counties)

Newark/East Orange (Essex, Morris, Sussex and Union Counties)

Trenton (Mercer County)

New York

Nassau/Suffolk/Long Beach/Huntington (Suffolk and Nassau Counties)

New York/Bronx/Brooklyn (Bronx, King, New York, Putnam, Queens, Richmond and Rockland Counties)

Westchester/White Plains/Yonkers/Valhalla (Westchester County)

Ohio
Medina/Lorain/Elyria (Medina/Lorain
County)
Pennsylvania
Philadelphia/Doylestown/West Chester/
Media/Norristown (Bucks, Chester,

Delaware, Montgomery and
Philadelphia Counties)
Washington
Seattle (King County)

Wyoming

(All Locations)

The revised income eligibility levels
presented here are calculated from the
base DHHS Poverty Guidelines now in
effect as follows:

2003 DHHS POVERTY GUIDELINES FOR ALL STATES

States	Family Units of			
	One	Two	Three	Four
All, except Alaska & Hawaii	\$8,980	\$12,120	\$15,260	\$18,400
Alaska	11,210	15,140	19,070	23,000
Hawaii	10,300	13,940	17,550	21,160

For family units with more than four members, add: \$3,140 for all areas, \$3,930 for Alaska, and \$3,610 for Hawaii, for each additional member.

Authority: These programs are authorized pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5011 and 5013 of the Domestic Volunteer Service Act of 1973, as amended. The income eligibility levels are determined by the current guidelines published by DHHS pursuant to Sections 652 and 673(2) of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1981 which requires poverty guidelines to be adjusted for Consumer Price Index changes.

Dated: February 13, 2003.

Tess Scannell,

Director, National Senior Service Corps.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

SUMMARY: The Leader, Regulatory Management Group, 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 22, 2003.

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 Leader, Regulatory Management Group, 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 14, 2003.

John D. Tressler, Leader,

Regulatory Management Group, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

Office of Postsecondary Education

Type of Review: Revision of a currently approved collection.

Title: Reporting Forms on Teacher Quality and Preparation.

Frequency: Annually.

Affected Public:

State, Local, or Tribal Gov't, SEAs or LEAs (primary), Not-for-profit institutions (primary).

Reporting and Recordkeeping Hour Burden: Responses: 1309; Burden Hours: 127624.

Abstract: The Higher Education Act of 1998 calls for annual reports from states and institutions of higher education on the quality of teacher education and related matters (Pub. L. 105-244, Section 207:20 U.S.C. 1027). The purpose of the reports is to provide greater accountability in the preparation of America's teaching forces and to provide information and incentives for its improvement. Most institutions of higher education that have teacher preparation programs must report annually to their states on the performance of their program completers on teacher certification tests. States, in turn, must report test performance information, institution by institution, to the Secretary of Education, along with institutional ranking. They must also report on their requirements for licensing teachers, state standards, alternative routes to certification, waivers, and related items. Annually reports from institutions are due to the states, beginning April 7 each year; reports from the states are due annually to the Secretary, beginning October 7 each year; the Secretary's report is due annually to Congress, beginning April 7 each year. These dates are one year later than the dates in the legislation.

Written requests for information should be addressed to Vivian Reese, Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Room 4050, Regional Office Building 3, Washington, DC 20202-4651 or to the e-mail address Vivian.reese@ed.gov. Requests may also be faxed to 202-708-9346. *Please specify the complete title of the information collection when making your request.*

Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be directed to Joseph Schubart at his e-mail address Joe.Schubart@ed.gov. Individuals who use a