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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Atlantic Mackerel Fishery; Scoping Process

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

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS); notice of scoping meetings; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) announces its intention to prepare, in cooperation with NMFS, a SEIS in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act to assess potential effects on the human environment of alternative measures for managing the Atlantic mackerel (*Scomber scombrus*) fishery pursuant to the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Amendment 9 to the Atlantic Mackerel, Squid and Butterfish Fishery Management Plan (FMP) is under development and a NOI was previously published on November 29, 2001. Issues scoped under the previous NOI include: a multi-year specification process, the expiration of the moratorium on entry into the *Illex* squid fishery, revisions to the overfishing definition for *Loligo* squid, measures to minimize the adverse effects of fishing on essential fish habitat, and measures to reduce discards and bycatch. This notice further expands the scope of measures under consideration to include controlled access measures for the Atlantic mackerel fishery. This notice also announces a public process for determining the scope of issues to be addressed and for identifying the significant issues relating to the possible development of a limited access program for the Atlantic mackerel fishery. The intended effect of this

notice is to alert the interested public of the scoping process and to provide for public participation. During this scoping period, the Council is seeking comments on the possible development of a limited access program for Atlantic mackerel only.

DATES: Written comments on the intent to prepare an SEIS must be received on or before 5 p.m., local time, April 4, 2005. The first public scoping meeting will be held at 10 a.m. on March 17, 2005, at the Ramada Inn Outer Banks Resort and Conference Center located at 1701 S. Virginia Dare Trail, Kill Devil Hills, NC 27948 (telephone 252-441-2151). The second scoping meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on March 28, 2005, at the Hotel Viking, One Bellevue Avenue, Newport, RI 02840 (telephone 401-848-4864).

ADDRESSES: Written comments on the possible development of a limited access program for the Atlantic mackerel fishery for inclusion in the SEIS for Amendment 9 to the FMP should be directed to Mr. Daniel T. Furlong, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, Room 2115 Federal Building, 300 S. New St., Dover, DE 19904, (telephone 302-674-2331). Comments may also be sent via fax to 302-674-5399 or by e-mail to MackLA9@noaa.gov. Please include in the subject line of e-mail comments the following document identifier: "Scoping Comments-Mackerel Limited Access." The scoping document may also be obtained from the Council office at the address and telephone number above or via the Internet at <http://www.nero.noaa.gov/nero/>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Daniel T. Furlong, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, Room 2115 Federal Building, 300 S. New St., Dover, DE 19904, (telephone 302-674-2331).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On July 5, 2002 (67 FR 44794), NMFS announced that it was considering proposed rulemaking to control future access to the Atlantic mackerel fishery if a management program was implemented to limit the number of participants in the fishery. The purpose of this "control date" was to discourage speculative entry into the Atlantic mackerel fishery while the Council and NMFS discussed whether and how access to the Atlantic mackerel fishery should be controlled. The Council recently voted to include the possible development of a limited access program to the Atlantic mackerel fishery in Amendment 9 at its January 2005 meeting. The issue was subsequently discussed at a meeting of the Councils' Atlantic Mackerel, Squid and Butterfish Committee (Committee)

on February 18, 2005, in Cape May, NJ. The Committee agreed to seek public comment on the following questions relative to limiting access to the Atlantic mackerel fishery: (1) Is limited access to the Atlantic mackerel fishery warranted or should no action be taken? (2) If limited access in the mackerel fishery is warranted, then what type of system is appropriate? (3) What criteria should the Council consider to qualify vessels for limited access to the mackerel fishery? (4) What is the appropriate qualifying period and should the control date be used in the definition of the qualifying period? (5) Should the Council consider the implementation of a trigger which would initiate controlled access at a future date? (6) What provisions for vessel upgrades, if any, should the Council consider if limited access is implemented in the mackerel fishery? (7) Under limited access conditions, should rules governing at sea processing and transfers at sea in the mackerel fishery be established? and (8) To what extent does the lack of joint management of the Atlantic mackerel resource with Canada affect the development of a limited access program in the portion of the fishery under US jurisdiction?

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Debbie Donnangelo at the Mid-Atlantic Council, telephone (302) 674-2331, at least 5 days prior to the scoping meetings.

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

Dated: February 28, 2005.

Alan D. Risenhoover,

*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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Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings and Hearings

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

ACTION: Notice of public hearings.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) announces the dates and locations of public hearings to solicit comments on proposed options for ocean salmon fishery management measures for the 2005 season.

DATES: Written comments on the salmon management options must be received by March 29, 2005, at 4:30 p.m., Pacific time.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be sent to Mr. Donald Hansen, Chairman, Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 200, Portland, OR 97220-1384, telephone: 503-820-2280 (voice) or 503-820-2299 (fax). For specific hearing locations, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Chuck Tracy, telephone: 503-820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: *March 28-29, 2005:* Public hearings will be held to receive comments on the proposed ocean salmon fishery management options adopted by the Council. All public hearings begin at 7 p.m. on the dates and at the locations specified here.

March 28, 2005: Chateau Westport, Beach Room, 710 W Hancock, Westport, WA 98595, telephone 360-268-9101.

March 28, 2005: Red Lion Hotel, South Umpqua Room, 1313 N Bayshore Drive, Coos Bay, OR 97420, telephone 541-269-4099.

March 29, 2005: Fort Bragg Town Hall, 363 North Main Street, Fort Bragg, CA 95437, telephone 707-961-2825.

Special Accommodations

The meetings are 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 (voice), or 503-820-2299 (fax) at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: February 28, 2005.

Alan D. Risenhoover,

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

Office of the Secretary

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the

following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. chapter 35).

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by April 4, 2005.

Title, Form, and OMB Number: Application for Appointment as Reserves of the Air Force or USAF Without Component; Air Force (AF) Form 24; OMB Number 0701-0096.

Type of Request: Extension.

Number of Respondents: 5,899.

Responses Per Respondent: 1.

Annual Responses: 5,899.

Average Burden per Response: 20 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 1,966.

Needs and Uses: The information collection requirement is necessary for providing necessary information to determine if applicant meets qualifications established for appointment as a Reserve (Air National Guard or the United States (ANGUS) and U.S. Air Force Reserves (USAFR)) or in the USAF without component. Use of the Social Security Number (SSN) is necessary to make positive identification of an applicant and his or her records.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to obtain or retain benefits.

OMB Desk Officer: Mr. Lewis Oleinick.

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Mr. Oleinick at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

DOD Clearance Officer: Ms. Patricia Toppings.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Ms. Toppings, WHS/ESCD/Information Management Division, 1225 South Clark Street, Suite 504, Arlington, VA 22202-4326.

Dated: February 28, 2005.

Patricia L. Toppings,

Alternate OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: DoD, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, TRICARE Management Activity.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Department of Defense, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, TRICARE Management Activity announces a proposed public information collection and seeks public comment on the provisions thereof. Comments are invited on: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performances 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 of the proposed information collection; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the information collection on respondents, including through the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by May 3, 2005.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be submitted to: Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, TRICARE Management Activity, Skyline Five, Suite 810, 5111 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, VA 22041-3206.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request more information on this proposed information collection or to obtain a copy of the proposal and associated collection instruments, please write to the above address or call Capt. Deborah McKay, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, TRICARE Management Activity at (703) 681-0064.

Title and OMB Number: A Case Control Study to Identify Risk Factors Associated with Myocarditis or Pericarditis Among Smallpox Primary Vaccinees in the U.S. Military; OMB Number 0720-TBD.

Needs and Uses: Section 743 of the Strom Thurmond National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999 authorized the Secretary of Defense to establish a center devoted to " * * * longitudinal study to evaluate data on the health conditions of members of the Armed Forces upon their return from deployment * * * " Based upon this