

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Patsy A. Bearden, (907) 586-7008 or Patsy.Bearden@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**I. Abstract**

This request is for renewal of a currently approved information collection.

A prohibited species donation (PSD) program for Pacific salmon and Pacific halibut has effectively reduced regulatory discard of salmon and halibut by allowing fish that would otherwise be discarded to be donated to needy individuals through tax-exempt organizations. Vessels and processing plants participating in the donation program voluntarily retain and process salmon and halibut bycatch. An authorized, tax-exempt distributor, chosen by NMFS, is responsible for monitoring the retention and processing of fish donated by vessels and processors. The authorized distributor also coordinates the processing, storage, transportation, and distribution of salmon and halibut.

The PSD program requires a collection-of-information so that NMFS can monitor the authorized distributors' ability to effectively supervise program participants and ensure that donated fish are properly processed, stored, and distributed.

II. Method of Collection

Respondents must submit the application to become an authorized distributor by mail or courier; no form exists for this application.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0648-0316.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission (renewal of a currently approved collection).

Affected Public: Non-profit institutions.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 21.

Estimated Time per Response: Application to become a NMFS Authorized Distributor, 40 hours; Distributor's List of PSD Program Participants, 12 minutes; Distributor's Tracking of Products & Retention of Records, 12 minutes; Processor product tracking requirements, 6 minutes; and PSD fish package labeling, 10 minutes.
Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 535.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$2 in recordkeeping/reporting costs.

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: February 4, 2011.

Gwellnar Banks,

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

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Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Meeting of the Atlantic Highly Migratory Species Advisory Panel

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: NMFS will hold a 3-day Atlantic Highly Migratory Species (HMS) Advisory Panel (AP) meeting in April 2011. The intent of the meeting is to consider options for the conservation and management of Atlantic HMS. The meeting is open to the public.

DATES: The AP meeting will be held on April 5, 2011, through April 7, 2011.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held in Silver Spring, MD 20910.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brian Parker or Margo Schulze-Haugen at (301)-713-2347.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*, as amended by the Sustainable Fisheries Act, Public Law

104-297, provided for the establishment of an AP to assist in the collection and evaluation of information relevant to the development of any Fishery Management Plan (FMP) or FMP amendment for Atlantic HMS. NMFS consults with and considers the comments and views of AP members when preparing and implementing FMPs or FMP amendments for Atlantic tunas, swordfish, billfish, and sharks.

The AP has previously consulted with NMFS on: Amendment 1 to the Billfish FMP (April 1999), the HMS FMP (April 1999), Amendment 1 to the HMS FMP (December 2003), the Consolidated HMS FMP (October 2006), Amendments 1, 2, and 3 to the Consolidated HMS FMP (April and October 2008, February and September 2009, and May 2010), and an Advanced Notice of the Proposed Rule (ANPR) for the future management of the shark fishery and the ANPR for Atlantic HMS published June 2009 (September 2010).

At the April 2011 AP meeting, NMFS plans to discuss Atlantic bluefin tuna management, implementation of 2010 ICCAT measures, an update on recreational monitoring methods for HMS fisheries, vessel monitoring systems and potential regulatory changes, a summary of the Future of the Shark Fishery workshops and other shark issues, and permitting and management options for swordfish and smoothhound in the trawl fisheries. The meeting may also continue discussions of other potential changes to the management of Atlantic HMS fisheries, including electronic dealer reporting, revitalizing the swordfish fishery, and items contained in the Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that published on June 1, 2009 (74 FR 26174). Information on the venue and agenda will be provided at a later date.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Brian Parker at (301) 713-2347 at least 7 days prior to the meeting.

Dated: February 7, 2011.

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