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Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Northeast Multispecies Days-at-Sea Leasing Program

AGENCY: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before March 30, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 7845, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Douglas Potts, National Marine Fisheries Service, (978) 281-9341 or Douglas.Potts@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

A proposed emergency rule for the NE Multispecies Fishery Management Plan (FMP) was published in the **Federal Register** on April 24, 2003 (68 FR 200096). The emergency rule was used to continue management measures specified in the Settlement Agreement Among Certain Parties, which were implemented as ordered by the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia (Court) in a Remedial Order issued on May 23, 2002. The emergency rule included several management measures designed to reduce overfishing on species managed under the NE Multispecies FMP, including a Days-At-Sea (DAS) Leasing Program, and was published in order to continue the measures until the implementation of

Amendment 13 to the NE Multispecies FMP. The final rule, RIN 0648-AN17, for implementing Amendment 13 to the NE Multispecies FMP, was published in the **Federal Register** on April 27, 2004 (69 FR 22906). Amendment 13 was developed by the New England Fishery Management Council (Council) primarily to end overfishing on all groundfish stocks and to rebuild all groundfish stocks that are overfished. Amendment 13 included substantial reductions in the amount of effort available to target groundfish stocks. Therefore, Amendment 13 resulted in considerable reductions in the number of DAS for NE multispecies vessels.

The reduction in the DAS allocated to NE multispecies permit holders limited the ability of some vessels to participate in the fishery, resulting in a loss of revenue and/or the ability to operate at a profit. In order to mitigate some of the adverse economic impacts of the effort reductions, the DAS Leasing Program was established by the Council, among other provisions, in Amendment 13. The DAS Leasing Program enables vessels to increase their revenue by either leasing additional DAS from another vessel or using them to increase their participation in the fishery, or by leasing their allocated DAS that they may not use to another vessel.

II. Method of Collection

Applications will be submitted by mail.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0648-0475.

Form Number: None.

Type of Review: Regular submission.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,400.

Estimated Time per Response: 5 minutes.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 583.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$1,158.

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: January 26, 2009.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DoD-2009-OS-0011]

Proposed Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Networks and Information Integration)/DoD Chief Information Officer. DoD.

ACTION: Notice.

In compliance with Section 3506(c)(2)(A) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Networks and Information Integration)/DoD Chief Information Officer announces a proposed new 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 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 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 March 30, 2009.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

- *Mail:* Federal Docket Management System Office, 1160 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-1160.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket

number and title for this **Federal Register** document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at <http://www.regulations.gov> as they are received, without change, and including any personal identifiers or contact information.

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 Office of DoD Chief Information Officer, ATTN: Ms. Sandra Smith, 1225 South Clark St., Suite 910, Arlington, VA, 22202.

Title; Associated Form; and OMB Number: Information Assurance Scholarship Program (IASP); OMB Control Number 0704–TBD.

Needs and Uses: The National Security Agency (NSA) is the Executive Administrator of the Information Assurance Scholarship Program (IASP), serving on behalf of the Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Networks and Information Integration)/DoD Chief Information Officer. Those who wish to participate in the IASP Recruitment program must complete and submit an application package through their college or university to NSA. Centers of Academic Excellence in Information Assurance Education (CAE/IAEs) interested in applying for capacity-building grants must complete and submit a written proposal, and all colleges and universities subsequently receiving grants must provide documentation on how the grant funding was utilized. In addition, IASP participants and their faculty advisors (Principal Investigators) are required to complete annual program assessment documents. Without this written documentation, the DoD has no means of judging the quality of applicants to the program or collecting information regarding program performance.

Affected Public: “Individuals or households,” specifically college students at institutions designated as CAE/IAEs who are interested in, and qualified to, apply for a scholarship; “Not-for-profit institutions,” specifically CAE/IAEs interested in submitting proposals for capacity-building grants, and faculty advisors (Principal Investigators).

Annual Burden Hours: 1,755.
Number of Respondents: 422.
Responses per Respondent: 1.
Average Burden per Response: 4.16 hours.
Frequency: Annually.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Summary of Information Collection

The IASP, authorized by Section 2200 of title 10 of the United States Code, is designed to: increase the number of new entrants to DoD who possess key Information Assurance (IA) and IT skill sets, and serve as a tool to develop and retain well-educated military and civilian personnel who support the Department’s critical IT management and infrastructure protection functions. The IASP recruitment track is for college students who, on completion of the program, come to work for the DoD. The retention track is for current DoD employees who are excused from duty to attend college courses through the IASP. Pending availability of funds, the IASP may also award capacity-building grants to colleges and universities designated as CAE/IAEs for such purposes as developing IA curricula and faculty, and building IA laboratories. The recruitment, retention and grant programs all require a competitive application process. Additionally, there is an assessment process which examines how grant funds were spent, as well as an assessment process requiring status reports from students in the program, and university faculty representatives (Principal Investigators) for the purpose of program evaluation.

In order to apply for any aspect of the program, paperwork is required so that the DoD may judge the merits of a given application and determine how best to allocate IASP funds.

The Recruitment, Capacity-Building, and Assessment aspects of the IASP apply to non-DoD employee members of the general public who choose to become involved in the program and thus become subject to information collection requirements. The Retention aspect of the IASP applies only to current DoD personnel, and thus its information collection requirements are not addressed in this request.

Dated: January 22, 2008.

Patricia L. Toppings,

*OSD Federal Register Liaison Officer,
 Department of Defense.*

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Task Force on Sexual Assault in the Military Services

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (Personnel and Readiness); DoD.

ACTION: Committee meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix, as amended), the Sunshine in Government Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 522b, as amended), 41 CFR 102–3.140, 41 CFR 102–3.150, and 41 CFR 102–3.160 announcement is made of the following committee meeting of the Defense Task Force on Sexual Assault in the Military Services (hereafter referred to as the Task Force).

DATES: Open meeting: February 13, 2009 (8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Pacific Standard Time (hereafter referred to as PST)).

Administrative and/or Preparatory work activities meeting: 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. PST.

ADDRESSES: San Diego, California. A specific location is still to be determined.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Colonel Jackson-Chandler, Designated Federal Officer, Defense Task Force on Sexual Assault in the Military Services, 2850 Eisenhower Avenue, Suite 100, Alexandria, Virginia 22314; Telephone: (703) 325–6640; Fax: (703) 325–6710/6711; DSN number 221–6640; cora.chandler@wso.whs.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Meeting: The purpose of the open meeting is to obtain and discuss information on the Task Force’s congressionally mandated task to examine matters related to sexual assault in the military services through briefings from and discussion with Task Force Sub-committees, Department of Defense (DoD) officials, subject matter experts, victim testimonials and comments from the general populace including Service Members.

The purpose of the Administrative and/or Preparatory work activities meeting:

- a. Administrative work activities: to discuss administrative matters or to receive administrative information from a Federal officer or agency; and
- b. Preparatory work activities: to gather information, conduct research, or analyze relevant issues and facts in preparation for a meeting of the advisory committee, or to draft position papers for deliberation by the advisory committee.

Pursuant to 41 CFR 102–3.160 meetings convened solely for Administrative and/or Preparatory work activities meetings are exempt from open meeting requirements and is not open to the public.

Agenda Summary:

8 a.m.–12 a.m. Open Meeting.
 8 a.m.–11 a.m. Discussion topics:
 Process Review.