

demonstrated that it operates in accordance with NVLAP management and technical requirements pertaining to quality systems, personnel, accommodation and environment, test and calibration methods, equipment, measurement traceability, sampling, handling of test and calibration items, and test and calibration reports.

NVLAP accreditation does not imply any guarantee (certification) of laboratory performance or test/calibration data. NVLAP accreditation is a finding of laboratory competence.

Technical Requirements for the Accreditation Process: NVLAP assessments are conducted in accordance with the National Voluntary Laboratory Accreditation Program regulations, which are found at 15 CFR part 285. NVLAP accreditation is in full conformance with relevant standards of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) and the International Electrotechnical Commission (IEC), including ISO/IEC 17025, *General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories*.

Accreditation is granted to a laboratory following successful completion of a process, which includes submission of an application and payment of fees by the laboratory, a review of the laboratory management system documentation, an on-site assessment by technical experts, participation in proficiency testing when available, and resolution of any management system or technical nonconformities identified during any phase of the application process. The accreditation is formalized through issuance of a Certificate of Accreditation and Scope of Accreditation.

General requirements for accreditation are given in NIST Handbook 150, *NVLAP Procedures and General Requirements*, <https://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/hb/2020/NIST.HB.150-2020.pdf>. The specific technical and administrative requirements for the program for accreditation of laboratories performing SIT and O/UAT on Federal Warfare Systems are provided in NIST Handbook 150–872, *Federal Warfare System(s)*, <https://nvlpubs.nist.gov/nistpubs/hb/2021/NIST.HB.150-872-2021.pdf>. Laboratories must meet all NVLAP criteria and requirements in order to become accredited. To be considered for accreditation, the applicant laboratory must provide a completed application to NVLAP, pay all required fees, agree to conditions for accreditation, and be found competent to perform the tests prescribed in the standards.

Application Requirements include: (1) Legal name and full address of the laboratory; (2) Ownership of the laboratory; (3) Authorized Representative's name and contact information; (4) Names, titles, and contact information for laboratory staff nominated to serve as Approved Signatories of test and calibration reports that reference NVLAP accreditation; (5) Organization chart defining relationships that are relevant to performing testing and calibrations covered in the accreditation request; (6) General description of laboratory, including its facilities and scope of operations; and (7) Requested scope and accreditation.

For this program, the laboratory shall provide a copy of its management system documents prior to the on-site assessment. NVLAP will review the management system documentation and discuss any nonconformities with the Authorized Representative before the on-site visit. Laboratories that apply for accreditation will be required to pay NVLAP fees and undergo on-site assessment and shall meet proficiency testing requirements before initial accreditation can be granted.

Paperwork Reduction Act: This action contains a collection-of-information requirement subject to review and approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995. Collection activities for NVLAP are currently approved by OMB under control number 0693–0003.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, no person is required to respond to, nor shall any person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with a collection of information subject to the requirements of the PRA unless it displays a currently valid OMB Control Number.

Alicia Chambers,

NIST Executive Secretariat.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Application and Certification Requirements for Distributors of NOAA Electronic Navigational Charts/NOAA Hydrographic Products

AGENCY: National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of information collection, request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. The purpose of this notice is to allow for 60 days of public comment preceding submission of the collection to OMB.

DATES: To ensure consideration, comments regarding this proposed information collection must be received on or before September 27, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments to Adrienne Thomas, NOAA PRA Officer, at Adrienne.thomas@noaa.gov. Please reference OMB Control Number 0648–0508 in the subject line of your comments. Do not submit Confidential Business Information or otherwise sensitive or protected information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or specific questions related to collection activities should be directed to CAPT Edward J. Van Den Ameele, Chief, Marine Chart Division, 1315 East-West Highway, N/CS 2, Silver Spring, MD 20910, (240) 431–1030, Edward.J.Vandenameele@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Abstract

This request is for a revision and extension of a currently approved information collection.

The National Ocean Service (NOS) Office of Coast Survey manages the Certification Requirements for Distributors of NOAA Electronic Navigational Charts (NOAA ENC®). Electronic Navigational Charts (ENC) are vector data sets that support all types of marine navigation. Originally designed

for large commercial vessels using a sophisticated navigational computer called an Electronic Chart Display and Information System (ECDIS), ENC's are now also being used on simpler electronic chart systems and "chart plotters" on many types of ships and by recreational boaters. NOAA ENC's help provide real-time ship positioning, as well as collision and grounding avoidance. NOAA established a certification program for the redistribution of official NOAA ENC's in 15 CFR part 995 in order to ensure the quality and content of official NOAA ENC's remains intact throughout the redistribution process. The certification allows entities to download, redistribute, repackage, or in some cases reformat, official NOAA ENC's and retain the NOAA ENC's official status.

The recordkeeping and reporting requirements of 15 CFR part 995 form the basis for this collection of information. This information allows the Office of Coast Survey to administer the regulation, and to better understand the marketplace resulting in products to that meet the needs of the customer in a timely and efficient manner.

II. Method of Collection

Responses from the Certified ENC Distributors are all electronic and sent via email. All distributors have an Excel spreadsheet which they submit for each quarter.

III. Data

OMB Control Number: 0648–0508.

Form Number: None.

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

Affected Public: Not-for-profit institutions; and business or other for-profits organizations.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 3.

Estimated Time per Response: 1 hour to provide a distribution report four times a year.

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 12.

Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public: \$0 in recordkeeping/reporting costs.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

Legal Authority: 15 CFR part 995.21.

IV. Request for Comments

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department/Bureau to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) Evaluate ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this ICR. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Sheleen Dumas,

Department PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Commerce Department.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648–XB276]

Endangered and Threatened Species; Take of Anadromous Fish

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

ACTION: Notice; issuance of 23 scientific research permits.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that NMFS has issued 23 scientific research permits under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) to the individuals and organizations listed in Table 1. The research is intended to increase knowledge of species listed under the ESA and to help guide management and conservation efforts.

ADDRESSES: Permits and related documents are available for review upon written request via email to nmfs.wcr-apps@noaa.gov (please include the permit number in the subject line of the email).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rob Clapp, Portland, OR (phone: 503–231–2314), fax: 503–230–5441, email: Robert.Clapp@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Table 1 provides a list of notifications for requests for permits and permit modifications and the submitting applicants that were published in the **Federal Register** on the dates listed. To locate the **Federal Register** notification that announced our receipt of the applications and a complete description of the research, go to www.federalregister.gov and search on the permit number.

TABLE 1—ISSUED PERMITS AND PERMIT MODIFICATIONS

Permit No.	RTID	Applicant	Previous Federal Register notification	Issuance date
1415–5R	0648–XA873	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; 10950 Tyler Road, Red Bluff, CA 96080 (Responsible Party: Matt Brown).	86 FR 9490; February 16, 2021.	June 17, 2021.
1440–3R	0648–XA873	Interagency Ecological Program; 2109 Arch Airport Road, Suite 100, Stockton, CA 95206 (Responsible Party: Stephanie Fong).	86 FR 9490; February 16, 2021.	May 12, 2021.
13675–3R	0648–XA873	Fishery Foundation of California; 8698 Elk Grove BLVD., Suite 3, Elk Grove, CA 95624 (Responsible party: Karen Lynne Burr).	86 FR 9490; February 16, 2021.	May 4, 2021.
15486–3R	0648–XA873	West Fork Environmental, Inc.; 2350 Mottman Rd. SW, Olympia, WA 98501 (Responsible Party: N. Phil Peterson).	86 FR 9490; February 16, 2021.	April 16, 2021.