

*Type of Request:* Regular (extension of a currently approved information collection).

*Number of Respondents:* 1,441.

*Average Hours per Response:* 3 hours.

*Burden Hours:* 4,323.

*Needs and Uses:* This request is for extension of a currently approved information collection.

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) manages the shrimp fishery in federal waters of the Gulf of Mexico (Gulf) under the Shrimp Fishery Management Plan (FMP). Regulations implementing the FMP require owners and operators (permit holders) of federally permitted shrimp vessels, if selected by NMFS, to carry an electronic logbook (ELB) on their vessel and participate in the NMFS-sponsored electronic logbook reporting program. ELBs provide a more precise means of estimating fishing effort than paper logbooks. Using ELBs to estimate fishing effort serves an important role to help estimate bycatch across the Gulf shrimp fleet.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Mandatory.

This information collection request may be viewed at [reginfo.gov](http://reginfo.gov). Follow the instructions to view Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to [OIRA\\_Submission@omb.eop.gov](mailto:OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov) or fax to (202) 395-5806.

Dated: December 15, 2016.

**Sarah Brabson,**

*NOAA PRA Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request; Greater Atlantic Region Gear Identification

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

**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 comment on continuing information

collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before February 27, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Jennifer Jessup, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6616, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230; or [Jjessup@doc.gov](mailto:Jjessup@doc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument and instructions should be directed to Cynthia Hanson, Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office, 55 Great Republic Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930; (978) 281-9180, or [cynthia.hanson@noaa.gov](mailto:cynthia.hanson@noaa.gov).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

##### I. Abstract

This request is for extension of a currently approved information collection. Regulations at 50 CFR 648.84(a),(b), and (d), 648.123(b)(3), 648.144(b)(1), 648.264(a)(5), and 697.21(a) and (b) require that Federal Fisheries permit holders using certain types of fishing gear, mark the gear with specified information for the purposes of vessel and gear identification (e.g., hull identification number, Federal fishing permit number, etc.). The regulations also specify how the gear is to be marked for the purposes of visibility (e.g., buoys, radar reflectors, etc.).

The quantity of gear in this collection is distinguished by the number of attached end lines associated with each string of hooks, pots, or traps. As such, a single Federal permit holder may be responsible for marking several strings of a given gear type, or may use multiple different gear types that require marking. These gear marking requirements aid in fishery law enforcement, make the gear more visible to other vessels to aid in navigation, and provide other fisherman with information regarding the gear type being used to help prevent gear conflicts.

##### II. Method of Collection

No information is submitted to the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) as a result of this collection. The vessel's hull identification number or other means of identification specified in the regulations must be affixed to the buoy or other part of the gear as specified in the regulations.

### III. Data

*OMB Control Number:* 0648-0351.

*Form Number(s):* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular (extension of a current information collection).

*Affected Public:* Individuals and households; business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 5,339.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 1 minute per string of gear.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 17,848.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$53,390 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: December 21, 2016.

**Sarah Brabson,**

*NOAA PRA Clearance Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**RIN 0648-XF097**

#### South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council)—Public Meetings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public hearings/scoping meetings and question & answer session via Webinar.

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will

hold a series of public hearings/scoping meetings on four amendments to the *Snapper Grouper* Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for the South Atlantic Region:

Amendment 43 addressing management options for *red snapper* and recreational reporting;

Vision Blueprint Regulatory Amendment 26 addressing recreational management options based on the Council's Vision Blueprint for the *Snapper Grouper* Fishery;

Vision Blueprint Regulatory Amendment 27 addressing commercial management options based on the Council's Vision Blueprint for the *Snapper Grouper* Fishery; and

Amendment 44 addressing management measures for *yellowtail snapper* including allocations.

Scoping comments will be accepted for *Snapper Grouper* Amendment 43 and the Vision Blueprint amendments. Public hearing comments will be accepted for Amendment 44. The Council will hold a Question & Answer Session via Webinar for measures proposed in Amendment 44 for *yellowtail snapper* and possible management actions pertaining to *red snapper* and recreational reporting to be addressed in Amendment 43.

**DATES:** The series of public hearings/scoping meetings/Webinars will begin at 6 p.m. on January 12, 2017 and end at close of business on February 8, 2017. Registration is required for Webinars. Registration information will be posted on the SAFMC Web site at <http://safmc.net/safmc-meetings/public-hearing-and-scoping-meeting-schedule/> as it becomes available. The meetings will be held on the following dates and locations:

**ADDRESSES:**

1. January 12, 2017—Public scoping via Webinar for Vision Blueprint Regulatory Amendment 26 (Recreational) and Vision Blueprint Regulatory Amendment 27 (Commercial).

2. January 17, 2017—Question & Answer Session via webinar for *Snapper Grouper* Amendment 44 (*yellowtail snapper*) and *Snapper Grouper* Amendment 43 (*red snapper* and recreational reporting).

3. January 18, 2017—Listening Station with emphasis on the Public Hearing for *Snapper Grouper* Amendment 44 (*yellowtail snapper*)—Harvey Government Center, 1200 Truman Avenue, 2nd Floor, Key West, FL 33040; Phone: 305/295-4385. **Note:** Public comment will be accepted on management measures Proposed in the public hearing document for in the

*Snapper Grouper* Amendment 44 and scoping items in Amendment 43 and the Vision Blueprint Amendments.

4. January 19, 2017—Listening Station with emphasis on the Public Hearing for *Snapper Grouper* Amendment 44 (*yellowtail snapper*)—Hyatt Place Marathon, 1996 Overseas Highway, Marathon, FL 33050; Phone: 305/743-1234. **Note:** Public comment will be accepted on management measures proposed in the Public hearing document for *Snapper Grouper* Amendment 44 and scoping items in Amendment 43 and the Vision Blueprint Amendments.

5. January 23, 2017—Lexington Hotel & Conference Center, 1515 Prudential Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32207; Phone 904/396-5100.

6. January 24, 2017—Hilton Cocoa Beach Oceanfront, 1550 N. Atlantic Avenue, Cocoa Beach, FL 32931; Phone: 321/799-0003.

7. January 25, 2017—Flagler Place, 201 SW. Flagler Avenue, Stuart, FL 34994; Phone: 772/985-3863.

8. January 26, 2017—Hilton Key Largo, 97000 Overseas Highway, Key Largo, FL 33037; Phone: 305/852-5553.

9. January 30, 2017—Murrells Inlet Community Center, 4450 Murrells Inlet Road, Murrells Inlet, SC 29576; Phone: 843/651-4152.

10. January 31, 2017—Crowne Plaza Hotel, 4831 Tanger Outlet Blvd., N. Charleston, SC 29418; Phone: 843/744-4422.

11. February 1, 2017—Richmond Hill City Center, 520 Cedar Street, Richmond Hill, GA 31324; Phone: 912/445-0043.

12. February 6, 2017—Hilton Wilmington Riverside, 301 N. Water Street, Wilmington, NC 28401; Phone: 910/763-5900.

13. February 7, 2017—Hatteras Community Center, 57689 NC Highway 12, Hatteras, NC 27943; Phone: 252-986-2161 or 252/986-2109.

14. February 8, 2017—Doubletree by Hilton, 2717 W. Fort Macon Road, Atlantic Beach, NC 28512; Phone: 252/240-1155.

**Council address:** South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N. Charleston, SC 29405.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kim Iverson, Public Information Officer, SAFMC; phone 843/571-4366 or toll free 866/SAFMC-10; FAX 843/769-4520; email: [kim.iverson@safmc.net](mailto:kim.iverson@safmc.net).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Agenda**

The Council is soliciting public hearing comments on management measures proposed for *yellowtail*

*snapper* through *Snapper Grouper* Amendment 44. The amendment includes management actions and alternatives for shifts in allocations between commercial and recreational sectors as well as an action to merge current annual catch limits for *yellowtail snapper* in the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic.

Public scoping meetings are being held for the following amendments:

(1) *Snapper Grouper* Amendment 43—The *red snapper* fishery remains closed to harvest in federal waters in the South Atlantic. The stock continues to experience overfishing due to the number of discarded *red snapper* as fishermen target other species in the *snapper grouper* management complex.

The Council is soliciting public input on ways to reduce the number of *red snapper* discards, improve the survivorship of discarded *red snapper*, improve estimates of private recreational catch and effort, and limit harvest of *red snapper* to below the annual catch limit if discards are reduced sufficiently.

(2) *Snapper Grouper* Vision Blueprint Recreational Regulatory Amendment 26—The amendment includes items identified in the 2016–2020 Vision Blueprint for the *Snapper Grouper* Fishery pertaining to recreational management measures including removing size limits for deepwater species; re-evaluation of the *shallow water grouper* closure; re-evaluation of aggregate bag limits and specification of individual bag limits for some species; and modification to the recreational minimum size limit for *black sea bass*.

(3) *Snapper Grouper* Vision Blueprint Commercial Regulatory Amendment 27—The amendment includes items identified in the 2016–2020 Vision Blueprint for the *Snapper Grouper* Fishery pertaining to commercial management measures including commercial split seasons for deepwater species, *red porgy*, and *greater amberjack*; re-evaluation of the *shallow water grouper* closure; trip limits and step-downs; and fishing year changes.

Copies of the public hearing document, scoping documents, and other relevant information will be posted on the Council's Web site at as they become available.

**Submitting Written Comments**

The Council requests that written comments be submitted using the online public comment form for each amendment available from the Council's Web site at <http://safmc.net/meetings/public-hearing-and-scoping-meeting-schedule>. Click on the "Submit Written Comments" section of the page to access

individual links for providing comments. Comments submitted using the online comment forms are immediately posted to the Council's Web site and available for all Council members and the public to view.

Written comments may also be submitted by mail or by FAX. Comments may be submitted by mail to: Gregg Waugh, Executive Director, SAFMC, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, North Charleston, SC 29405. Fax comments to 843-769-4520.

Public hearing and scoping comments for the amendments will be accepted until 5:00 p.m. on February 10, 2017.

### Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to the council office (see **ADDRESSES**) 3 business days prior to the meeting.

**Note:** The times and sequence specified in this agenda are subject to change.

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

Dated: December 20, 2016.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

*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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#### Fisheries of the South Atlantic; Southeast Data, Assessment, and Review (SEDAR); Data Workshop for Atlantic blueline tilefish (*Caulolatilus microps*)

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

**ACTION:** Notice of SEDAR 50 Data Workshop for Atlantic blueline tilefish.

**SUMMARY:** The SEDAR 50 assessment(s) of the Atlantic stock(s) of blueline tilefish will consist of a series of workshops and Webinars: Stock ID Work Group Meeting; Data Workshop; Assessment Workshop and Webinars; and a Review Workshop.

**DATES:** The SEDAR 50 Data Workshop will begin at 1 p.m. on Monday, January 23, 2017, and end at 1 p.m. on Friday, January 27, 2017, to view the agenda see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

The established times may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate

the timely completion of discussion relevant to the assessment process. Such adjustments may result in the meeting being extended from, or completed prior to the time established by this notice. Additional SEDAR 50 workshops and Webinar dates and times will publish in a subsequent issue in the **Federal Register**.

### ADDRESSES:

**Meeting Address:** The SEDAR 50 Data Workshop will be held at the Town and Country Inn, 2008 Savannah Highway, Charleston, SC 29407, 843-571-1000.

**SEDAR address:** South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N. Charleston, SC 29405 or on their Web site, at [www.sedarweb.org](http://www.sedarweb.org).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Julia Byrd, SEDAR Coordinator, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, North Charleston, SC 29405; phone (843) 571-4366; email: [julia.byrd@safmc.net](mailto:julia.byrd@safmc.net).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Agenda

The Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils, in conjunction with NOAA Fisheries and the Atlantic and Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commissions, have implemented the Southeast Data, Assessment and Review (SEDAR) process, a multi-step method for determining the status of fish stocks in the Southeast Region. SEDAR is a three-step process including: (1) Data Workshop; (2) Assessment Process utilizing Webinars; and (3) Review Workshop. The product of the Data Workshop is a data report which compiles and evaluates potential datasets and recommends which datasets are appropriate for assessment analyses. The product of the Assessment Process is a stock assessment report which describes the fisheries, evaluates the status of the stock, estimates biological benchmarks, projects future population conditions, and recommends research and monitoring needs. The assessment is independently peer reviewed at the Review Workshop. The product of the Review Workshop is a Summary documenting panel opinions regarding the strengths and weaknesses of the stock assessment and input data. Participants for SEDAR Workshops are appointed by the Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils and NOAA Fisheries Southeast Regional Office, Highly Migratory Species Management Division, and Southeast Fisheries Science Center. Participants include: Data collectors and database managers; stock assessment scientists, biologists,

and researchers; constituency representatives including fishermen, environmentalists, and non-governmental organizations (NGOs); international experts; and staff of Councils, Commissions, and state and federal agencies.

The items of discussion at the Data Workshop are as follows:

1. Participants will evaluate all available data and select appropriate sources for providing information on life history characteristics, catch statistics, discard estimates, length and age composition, and fishery independent and fishery dependent measures of stock abundance, as specified in the Terms of Reference for the workshop, to develop an assessment data set and associated documentation.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the intent to take final action to address the emergency.

### Special Accommodations

This meeting is accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to the SAFMC office (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 business days prior to the meeting.

**Note:** The times and sequence specified in this agenda are subject to change.

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

Dated: December 20, 2016.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DOD-2016-HA-0119]

#### Proposed Collection; Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Health Affairs, DoD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In compliance with the *Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995*, the