| Flooding source(s) | Location of referenced elevation   | *Elevation in feet<br>(NGVD)<br>+Elevation in feet<br>(NAVD)<br>#Depth in feet above<br>ground |          | Communities affected |
|--------------------|--|--|----------|----------------------|
|                    |  | Effective  | Modified |                      |
|                    | Approximately 3,560 feet upstream of the convergence with Blacklick Creek. | None   | *800     |                      |

<sup>\*</sup> National Geodetic Vertical Datum.

#### **ADDRESSES**

#### Village of Canal Winchester

Maps are available for inspection at The Canal Winchester Municipal Building, 36 South High Street, Canal Winchester, Ohio. Send comments to The Honorable Jeffery J. Miller, Mayor, Village of Canal Winchester, 36 South High Street, Canal Winchester, Ohio 43110. City of Columbus

Maps are available for inspection at The Building Services Division, 757 Carolyn Avenue, Columbus, Ohio.

Send comments to The Honorable Michael B. Coleman, Mayor, City of Columbus, 90 West Broad Street, Room 247, Columbus, Ohio 43215. Franklin County (Unincorporated Areas)

Maps are available for inspection at Franklin County Economic Development and Planning Department, 280 East Broad Street, Room 202, Columbus, Ohio.

Send comments to Ms. Paula Brooks, President, Franklin County Board of Commissioners, 373 South High Street, 26th Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance No. 83.100, "Flood Insurance.")

Dated: October 5, 2006.

#### David I. Maurstad,

Director, Mitigation Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security.

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#### **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

## National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

## 50 CFR Part 635

[I.D. 091106B]

RIN 0648-AU84

## Atlantic Highly Migratory Species; Atlantic Commercial Shark Management Measures

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

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: This action extends the comment period for 12 days on an October 5, 2006, proposed rule regarding the first 2007 fishing season for Atlantic sharks. Due to late dealer reports that may substantially change landings estimates of large and small coastal sharks during the first trimester of 2006 for the Gulf of Mexico, NMFS is extending the comment deadline on

that proposed rule from November 1, 2006, until November 13, 2006.

**DATES:** The deadline for written comments on the October 5, 2006 (71 FR 58778) proposed rule has been extended from November 1 to no later than 5 p.m. on November 13, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments on the proposed rule may be submitted to Michael Clark, Highly Migratory Species Management Division via:

- Email: *SF1.091106B@noaa.gov*.
- Mail: 1315 East-West Highway,
  Silver Spring, MD 20910. Please mark on the outside of the envelope
   "Comments on Proposed Rule for 2007 1st Trimester Season Lengths and Ouotas."
  - Fax: 301-713-1917.
- Federal e-Rulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Include in the subject line the following identifier: "I.D. 091106B".

Copies of the associated draft Environmental Assessment (EA) and other relevant documents are available on the Highly Migratory Species Management Division's website at www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms or by contacting Michael Clark (see FOR

## **FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT).**

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# **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Michael Clark or Karyl Brewster-Geisz by phone: 301–713–2347 or by fax: 301–

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Atlantic shark fishery is managed under the authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act). NMFS recently finalized a Consolidated Highly

Migratory Species Fishery Management Plan (HMS FMP) that consolidated and replaced previous FMPs for Atlantic Billfish and Atlantic Tunas, Swordfish, and Sharks (October 2, 2006; 71 FR 58058). The HMS FMP is implemented by regulations at 50 CFR part 635.

On October 5, 2006 (71 FR 58778), NMFS published a proposed rule that requested comments on the draft EA and scheduled three public hearings throughout October 2006 to receive comments from fishery participants and other members of the public regarding the first 2007 fishing season for Atlantic sharks. Based on late dealer reports that may substantially change landings estimates of large and small coastal sharks in the Gulf of Mexico during the first trimester of 2006, NMFS is extending the comment period on this proposed rule. NMFS is still updating the landings estimates and will release them in a future **Federal Register** notice. At this time, NMFS does not expect the landings estimates or the proposed measures to change substantially in the South Atlantic or North Atlantic regions. In order to incorporate these updated landings and to provide adequate opportunities for public comment by constituents, NMFS is extending the public comment period on the proposed rule and draft EA to 5 p.m., November 13, 2006.

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

<sup>#</sup> Depth in feet above ground.

<sup>+</sup> North American Vertical Datum.

Dated: October 26, 2006.

#### Alan D. Risenhoover,

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

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## **DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### 50 CFR Part 648

RIN 0648-AU80

[Docket No.061016268-6268-01; I.D. 100506E]

Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Regulatory Amendment to Modify Recordkeeping and Reporting and Observer Requirements

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

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; request for comments.

SUMMARY: Upon a request received by the New England Fishery Management Council (Council), NMFS proposes measures to modify the existing reporting and recordkeeping requirements for federally permitted seafood dealers/processors, and the observer requirements for participating hagfish vessels. The Council has determined that the modifications are necessary to gather additional information on the unique aspects of the hagfish fishery and its interaction with other federally managed fisheries. The information collected from fishery participants (dealers/processors and vessels) would help the Council to determine the need for, and potentially develop, a hagfish Fishery Management Plan (FMP).

**DATES:** Written comments must be received no later than 5 p.m. eastern standard time, on December 1, 2006.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments by any of the following methods:

- E-mail: HagfishIC@noaa.gov. Include in the subject line the following identifier: "Comments on Hagfish Information Collection Program."
- Federal e-Rulemaking portal: http://www.regulations.gov.
- Mail: Patricia A. Kurkul, Regional Administrator, NMFS, Northeast Regional Office, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930. Mark the outside of the envelope: "Comments on Hagfish Information Collection Program."
  - Fax: (978) 281–9135.

Copies of the Regulatory Impact Review (RIR) and other supporting documents are available from Patricia A. Kurkul, Regional Administrator, NMFS, Northeast Regional Office, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930.

Written comments regarding the burden-hour estimates or other aspects of the collection-of-information requirements contained in this proposed rule may be submitted to the Northeast Regional Office at the above address and by email to

David\_Rostker@omb.eop.gov, or by fax to (202) 395 7285.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Bonnie Van Pelt, Fishery Policy Analyst, (978) 281–9244.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## **Background**

A request for an information collection on hagfish under the provisions of section 402(a) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act) was received by the Council on October 3, 2006. The request is based on the need to improve upon the quality and quantity of information available on the hagfish resource and its fishery operations to enable the Council to determine the potential need to develop future management measures for hagfish under an FMP. Without this information collection on hagfish, future management measures may not capture accurately the geographic and seasonal aspects of the fishery, which reflect overseas demand, and ensure that the resource may be sustained in future vears. This collection of information (with changes, as appropriate) may be extended through the development and implementation of a Hagfish FMP. NMFS has made a preliminary determination that the Council's need for a collection of information program on hagfish is valid and justified, and is proposing to implement this request through the publication of this rule as required by section 402(a) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act. The Atlantic hagfish (Myxine glutinosa) fishery in New England (hagfish fishery) was developed in the early 1990s, with the first reported landings of around 1 million lb (454 mt) in 1993. Korean buyers quickly recognized that a fishery in the New England area could provide the high-quality hagfish skins used in making leather, as well as hagfish meat for human consumption. Reported hagfish landings quadrupled during the first 4 years of the fishery (1993–1996), exceeding the highest reported landings in other North American hagfish

fisheries (including British Columbia, Oregon, Washington, California, and Nova Scotia) by 1994.

Today the hagfish fishery relies on revenues from the export of whole frozen hagfish product overseas, primarily to South Korea, for meat consumption. The hagfish fishery prosecuted off the coast of Gloucester, MA, has changed from an inshore fishery comprised of small vessels to an offshore fishery that consists of large vessels. According to reports from a workshop that was held to identify the challenges in collecting information on this fishery, the reason for this change in the way the fishery is being conducted is that the fishery has experienced localized depletion in nearshore waters, necessitating movement of fishing effort to areas not historically fished for hagfish.

# Dealer/Processor Permitting and Reporting Requirements

To meet the Council's request for information, this proposed rule would require all seafood dealers who intend to purchase hagfish caught in or from the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) to be permitted under § 648.6, and to submit, on a weekly basis, an electronic dealer report containing the required trip-level information for each purchase of hagfish made from fishing vessels as per the regulations at § 648.7. Hagfish dealers would be required to obtain an initial dealer permit upon implementation of the hagfish information collection requirements and to renew the permit annually thereafter. Reports furnished by permitted dealers would help determine the level of discards and discard mortality of hagfish culled at sea in response to rejection by the dealer in port. In addition, the collection of purchase reports would help to verify landings reported in Vessel Trip Reports (VTRs) for those vessels that have VTR requirements, and for those that do not, the dealers would be required to report vessel identifiers. It is unlikely that additional dealers would join the fishery because the fishery is driven by a narrowly focused export market (South Korea only), which is currently in equilibrium with supply. However, this permitting and reporting requirement would also enable the identification of any new vessel and/or dealer entrants into the fishery.

#### Dealer/Processor Reports

All federally permitted seafood dealers subject to this proposed rule would be required to complete all sections of the Annual Processed Products Report (§ 648.7). The report