

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 12, 2003, notice was published in the **Federal Register** (68 FR 69388) that an modification of Permit No. 1375, issued March 27, 2003 (68 FR 16002), had been requested by the above-named individual. The requested modification has been granted under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR 222–226).

Permit No. 1375 authorized the permit holder to deploy 1,000 hatchery-reared juvenile shortnose sturgeon (*Acipenser brevirostrum*) in cages at 10 test sites within the Roanoke/Albemarle River system for 28 days. Afterwards the fish will be euthanized and their tissue analyzed for contaminants. The results of this study will provide needed information to determine if water quality is a factor limiting the ecological success of shortnose sturgeon in this river system. When the initial study was conducted, however, high water temperatures and low dissolved oxygen contributed to a shortened experiment time. With the issuance of this modification the permit holder will be authorized to obtain an additional 1000 fish to repeat the experiment in more favorable conditions. The modification will also extend the expiration date until December 31, 2005.

Issuance of this modification, as required by the ESA was based on a finding that such permit (1) was applied for in good faith, (2) will not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species which is the subject of this permit, and (3) is consistent with the purposes and policies set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Dated: December 8, 2004.

Stephen L. Leathery,
Chief, Permits, Conservation and Education
Division, Office of Protected Resources,
National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 120304E]

Guidelines for Producing the Climate Change Science Program Synthesis and Assessment Products

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The United States Climate Change Science Program (CCSP) is announcing the Guidelines for Producing the CCSP Synthesis and Assessment Products, which are described in the Strategic Plan for the U.S. Climate Change Science Program. The synthesis and assessment products are intended to provide useful information for a variety of users about key climate change topics. The products include reports, data sets, and evaluations of the uses and limits of climate information for decisionmaking.

ADDRESSES: The CCSP website is at: <http://www.climatechange.gov>. The finalized guidelines are available on the CCSP web site at:

<http://www.climatechange.gov/Library/sap/sap-guidelines.htm>. The draft guidelines and a collation of comments submitted are available on the CCSP web site at:
<http://www.climatechange.gov/Library/sap/sap-guidelines-29mar2004.pdf> and
<http://www.climatechange.gov/Library/sap/sap-guidelines-comments/default.htm>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Sandy MacCracken, U.S. Climate Change Science Program, Suite 250, 1717 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W., Washington, DC 20006, 1–202–419–3483 (voice), 1–202–223–3065 (fax), smaccrac@usgcrp.gov (e-mail).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Climate Change Science Program is an interagency endeavor, with 13 participating Federal agencies and departments. One or more of the agencies that comprise CCSP will have the lead responsibility for preparing each product. The national and international research community is anticipated to play a major role in preparation of many of the products. See Chapter 2 of the Strategic Plan for the U.S. Climate Change Science Program for a detailed description of the products.

To ensure consistency and transparency in the processes that will be used by the lead and supporting CCSP agencies in preparing the products, the guidelines describe the roles of different parties and the steps to be followed in each of three phases of the preparation process—developing the prospectus, drafting and revising the document, and final approval and publication of each product. This process of product development will facilitate involvement of the research community and the public in ensuring that the products meet the highest standards of scientific excellence. The guidelines also encourage transparency

by ensuring that public information about the status of the products will be provided on the CCSP web site (see **ADDRESSES**).

Comments on the draft guidelines were solicited during a public comment period from 29 March 2004 to 7 May 2004. The guidelines have been revised extensively in response to these comments and input from the National Research Council (NRC) provided during a meeting of the NRC's Coordinating Committee on Global Change held in Washington, DC on 8–9 April 2004.

Dated: December 6, 2004.

James R. Mahoney,

Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere and Director, U.S. Climate Change Science Program.

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COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Entry of Shipments of Cotton, Wool, Man-Made Fiber, Silk Blend and Other Vegetable Fiber Textiles and Apparel in Excess of 2004 Agreement Limits or Certain China Safeguard Limits

December 9, 2004.

AGENCY: The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements (CITA).

ACTION: Directive to Commissioner, Customs and Border Protection.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ross Arnold, International Trade Specialist, Office of Textiles and Apparel, U.S. Department of Commerce, (202) 482–3400.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Authority: Executive Order 11651 of March 3, 1972, as amended; Section 204 of the Agricultural Act of 1956, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1854).

In a **Federal Register** Notice published on June 25, 2004, CITA announced that it had come to CITA's attention that some textile and apparel products may be shipped in excess of agreed quota limits in 2004 with the expectation that those shipments will be allowed entry upon the expiration of the limits, and CITA noted that shipments exported in excess of agreed limits are a violation of the terms of those agreements. (69 FR 35586) In that Notice, CITA expressly reserved the right to deny entry to goods that have been shipped in excess of agreed limits or to stage entry for goods exported in excess of agreed limits. In order to carry

out those agreements, including the World Trade Organization (WTO) Agreement on Textiles and Clothing (ATC), the Report of the Working Party on the Accession of China to the WTO (Accession Agreement), and certain bilateral textile agreements with countries that are not Members of the WTO, CITA is directing the Commissioner, Customs and Border Protection, to stage entry of goods exported in 2004 in excess of ATC, Accession Agreement, or bilateral textile agreement limits.

For all shipments exported in 2004 that exceed the applicable 2004 agreed quota limit from WTO Members and from countries with bilateral textile agreements expiring on December 31 that are not WTO Members, entry will not be permitted until February 1, 2005. From February 1 through February 28, 2005, entry will be permitted to goods in an amount equal to 5 percent of the applicable 2004 base quota limit. For each succeeding month, beginning on the first day of the month and extending through the last day of the month, entry will be permitted to goods in an amount equal to 5 percent of the applicable base 2004 quota limit, until all shipments in excess of the quota limits have been entered.

For all shipments exported from China that exceed the applicable Accession Agreement safeguard limits for categories 222, 349/649, and 350/650, which apply to goods in these categories exported from China between December 24, 2003 and December 23, 2004, entry will not be permitted until January 24, 2005. From January 24 through February 23, 2005, entry will be permitted to goods in an amount equal to 5 percent of the applicable safeguard limit. For each succeeding period, beginning on the 24th of the month and extending through the 23rd of the following month, entry will be permitted to goods in an amount equal to 5 percent of the applicable base safeguard limit, until all shipments in excess of safeguard limits have been entered.

2004 quota base limits can be found on the Web at <http://otexa.ita.doc.gov> under "Summary of Agreements."

James C. Leonard, III,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.

Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements

Commissioner, Customs and Border Protection, Washington, DC 20229,
December 9, 2004.

Dear Commissioner: This directive provides instructions on permitting entry to goods shipped in excess of 2004 quota limits,

for WTO Members or countries with expiring bilateral textile agreements, and in excess of China safeguard limits imposed in 2003.

For all shipments exported in 2004 that exceed the applicable 2004 agreed quota limit from WTO Members and from countries with bilateral textile agreements expiring on December 31 that are not WTO Members, you are directed to deny entry until February 1, 2005, subject to the following procedure. From February 1 through February 28, 2005, you are directed to permit entry to goods in an amount equal to 5 percent of the applicable 2004 base quota limit. For each succeeding month, beginning on the first day of the month and extending through the last day of the month, you are directed to permit entry to goods in an amount equal to 5 percent of the applicable base 2004 quota limit, until all shipments in excess of the quota limits have been entered.

For all shipments exported from China that exceed the applicable safeguard limits for categories 222, 349/649, and 350/650, you are directed to deny entry until January 24, 2005, subject to the following procedure. From January 24 through February 23, 2005, you are directed to permit entry to goods in an amount equal to 5 percent of the applicable safeguard limit. For each succeeding period, beginning on the 24th of the month and extending through the 23rd of the following month, you are directed to permit entry to goods in an amount equal to 5 percent of the applicable base safeguard limit, until all shipments in excess of safeguard limits have been entered.

The Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements has determined that this action falls within the foreign affairs exception to the rulemaking provisions of 5 U.S.C. 553(a)(1).

Sincerely,
James C. Leonard III,
Chairman, Committee for the Implementation of Textile Agreements.
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CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Corporation for National and Community Service.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Corporation for National and Community Service (hereinafter the "Corporation"), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program helps to ensure that requested data can

be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirement on respondents can be properly assessed.

Currently, the Corporation is soliciting comments concerning its proposed renewal of its National Senior Service Corps (Senior Corps) Grant Application. This application is used by current and prospective grantees to apply for sponsorship of projects under the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP); the Foster Grandparent Program (FGP); the Senior Companion Program (SCP); the Senior Demonstration Program (SDP); and the Special Volunteer Program—Homeland Security (SVP). Completion of the Grant Application is required to be considered for or obtain sponsorship.

Copies of the information collection requests can be obtained by contacting the office listed in the address section of this notice.

DATES: Written comments must be submitted to the individual and office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section by February 11, 2005.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by the title of the information collection activity, by any of the following methods:

(1) By mail sent to: Corporation for National and Community Service, National Senior Service Corps; Attention Ms. Angela Roberts, Associate Director, Room 9305; 1201 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20525.

(2) By hand delivery or by courier to the Corporation's mailroom at Room 6010 at the mail address given in paragraph (1) above, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

(3) By fax to: (202) 565-2743, Attention Ms. Angela Roberts, Associate Director.

(4) Electronically through the Corporation's e-mail address system: aroberts@cns.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Angela Roberts, (202) 606-5000, ext. 111, or by e-mail at aroberts@cns.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

The Corporation is particularly interested in comments that:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Corporation, including whether the information will have practical utility;

- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information,