

Mexico (particularly Hurricanes Katrina and Rita) are all factors that have acted to reduce fishing effort (GMFMC, 2007). This reduction in effort has likely reduced the potential threat of shrimp trawling to the Caribbean electric ray. Not acknowledging these reductions in effort is misleading and mischaracterizes the current potential threat of shrimp trawling.

The petitioner also claims that “[i]ntense shrimp fisheries exist in multiple other countries surrounding the Gulf of Mexico as well, within the [Caribbean electric ray’s] range.” The petition concludes that “[s]ince fishing activities are similarly intense and most often unregulated in these areas, similar declines to that of the United States are likely across the species’ range (Carvalho *et al.*, 2007).” Information provided in the petition and readily available in our files does not support these statements.

Information provided in the petition on the range of the species shows the species occurring along the Atlantic coasts of Mexico, Belize, Costa Rica, Panama, and Colombia, as well as in Venezuela, Cuba, Jamaica, and the Lesser Antilles. Of the countries listed, only Mexico and Venezuela even appeared on the Food and Agricultural Organization’s list of the top 35 shrimp fishing nations from 2000–2005 (Gillet, 2008). Subsequent to the publication of that list, commercial shrimp fishing in Venezuela has been banned. Likewise, Belize has also recently banned all industrial shrimp fishing. While Costa Rica, Panama, and Colombia do have active commercial shrimp fisheries, they fish primarily in the Pacific Ocean where the Caribbean electric ray is not found. The state of the commercial shrimp fishery in Cuba is unknown, but the political and economic climate within the country makes it unlikely to be a source of great fishing effort. In the Lesser Antilles, only Trinidad and Tobago has a commercial shrimp fishery (M. Barnette, NMFS, to A. Herndon, NMFS, pers. comm., 2010).

Based on the preceding information, it appears extremely unlikely that the Caribbean electric ray is facing intense shrimp fisheries in multiple other countries within the Caribbean electric ray’s range. In fact, statements regarding the Caribbean electric ray’s exposure to intense shrimp fisheries outside the United States are misleading. In the Caribbean electric ray’s range, only Mexico has a sizeable shrimp fishery. The Mexican shrimp fishery has experienced the same limiting factors as the U.S. fleet, and has declined to a similar degree over the last decade (M. Barnette, NMFS, to A. Herndon, NMFS,

pers. comm., 2010). Thus, the petition does not accurately represent the potential threat posed by shrimp trawling throughout the range of the species. The available information does not indicate that the potential impacts from shrimp fisheries have caused declines or likely contributed to the endangerment of the species throughout the rest of its range. Therefore, this threat does not constitute substantial information that listing may be warranted.

In summary, the petitioner claims that shrimp trawling has caused Caribbean electric ray declines in the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic, and is likely causing declines elsewhere, primarily because of ineffective TED/BRDs and intense fishing effort. Based on information presented in the petition and contained within our files, these statements are either unsubstantiated or inaccurate representations of the available data. Thus, the petition does not provide substantial information that listing may be warranted.

In addition to the potential threat from shrimp fishing, the petitioner also claims that the species is prone to a specific type of infection when in captivity. While the information provided by the petition does suggest that the species is prone to infection, the petition fails to explain why the species’ susceptibility to infection in captivity suggests a threat to wild populations. Thus, the existence of disease in captive animals does not constitute substantial information that listing may be warranted.

Petition Finding

After reviewing the information contained in the petition and information readily available in our files, we conclude the petition fails to present substantial scientific or commercial information indicating the petitioned action may be warranted.

References Cited

A complete list of all references is available upon request from the Protected Resources Division of the NMFS Southeast Regional Office (*see ADDRESSES*).

Authority

The authority for this action is the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*).

Dated: March 17, 2011.

Samuel D. Rauch III,

Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648–XA310

National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The NOAA Fisheries will hold a Workshop to discuss the data and models that will be used in the 2011 stock assessments for sablefish, petrale sole and Dover sole.

DATES: The Pre-assessment Workshop will be held beginning at 9 a.m., Tuesday, April 5, 2011 and end at 5:30 p.m. or as necessary to complete business for the day. The Workshop will reconvene on Wednesday, April 6 at 9 a.m. and will adjourn by 1 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The Pre-assessment Workshop for sablefish, Dover sole and petrale sole will be held at the Hallmark Resort, 744 S.W. Elizabeth Street, Newport, OR 97365; telephone: (1–888) 448–4449.

Science Center address: DOC, NOAA Fisheries, Northwest Fisheries Science Center, Newport Research Station—Bldg. 955, 2032 S.E. OSU Drive, Newport, OR 97365–5275; telephone: (541) 867–0500.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Stacey Miller, NMFS Northwest Fisheries Science Center; telephone: (541) 961–8475; or Dr. Jim Hastie, Northwest Fisheries Science Center (NWFSC); telephone: (206) 860–3412.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This Pre-Assessment Workshop is intended to provide a forum for the exchange of information and ideas between members of the fishing community and other members of the public, stock assessment authors, and data managers. The specific objectives of the workshop are to: (1) Discuss the data to be used in the sablefish, petrale sole and Dover sole stock assessment models; (2) discuss approaches for improving stock assessment modeling efforts; (3) identify anomalies in the data and discuss possible explanations; and (4) identify data gaps and future research possibilities.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may come before the Workshop participants for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal Workshop action

during this meeting. Workshop action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed 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 workshop participants' intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Ms. Stacey Miller at (541) 961-8475 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: March 16, 2011.

Tracey L. Thompson,

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

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CONSUMER PRODUCT SAFETY COMMISSION

Agency Information Collection Activities; Announcement of Office of Management and Budget Approval; Publicly Available Consumer Product Safety Information Database

AGENCY: Consumer Product Safety Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Consumer Product Safety Commission (Commission) is announcing that a collection of information entitled Publicly Available Consumer Product Safety Information Database has been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Linda Glatz, Division of Policy and Planning, Office of Information Technology and Technology Services, Consumer Product Safety Commission, 4330 East West Highway, Bethesda, MD 20814; telephone: (301) 504-7671 or by e-mail to lglatz@cpsc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In the **Federal Register** of May 24, 2010, 75 FR 29156, the agency announced that the proposed information collection had been submitted to OMB for review and clearance under 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520. A final rule was published in the **Federal Register** of December 9, 2010, 75 FR 76832. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information

unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. OMB has now approved the information collection and has assigned OMB control number 3041-0146. The approval expires on January 31, 2014. A copy of the supporting statement for this information collection is available on the Internet at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain>.

Todd A. Stevenson,

Secretary, Consumer Product Safety Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

Notice of Proposed Information Collection Requests

AGENCY: Department of Education.

ACTION: Comment request.

SUMMARY: The Department of Education (the Department), in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)), provides the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and continuing collections of information. This helps the Department assess the impact of its information collection requirements and minimize the reporting burden on the public and helps the public understand the Department's information collection requirements and provide the requested data in the desired format. The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management, invites comments on the proposed information collection requests as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before May 23, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Comments regarding burden and/or the collection activity requirements should be electronically mailed to ICDocketMgr@ed.gov or mailed to U.S. Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW., LBJ, Washington, DC 20202-4537. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35) requires that Federal agencies provide interested parties an early opportunity to comment on information collection requests. The Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory

Information Management Services, Office of Management, publishes this notice containing proposed information collection requests at the beginning of the Departmental review of the information collection. The Department of Education is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) Is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology.

Dated: March 17, 2011.

Darrin A. King,

Director, Information Collection Clearance Division, Regulatory Information Management Services, Office of Management.

Office of Vocational and Adult Education

Type of Review: Revision.

Title of Collection: Measures and Methods for the National Reporting System for Adult Education.

OMB Control Number: 1830-0027.

Agency Form Number(s): N/A.

Frequency of Responses: Annually.

Affected Public: State, Local, or Tribal Government, State Educational Agencies or Local Educational Agencies.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 57.

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 18,050.

Abstract: OVAE requests a revision to its data collection requirements for four measures, entered employment, retained employment, entry into postsecondary education and attainment of a secondary credential by changing the population to which these measures apply. Currently, states report on the relevant outcome for students who set goals related to the measure. Goal setting is being replaced with automatic cohort designation related to a student's employment status, having a secondary credential and taking GED tests. Approval is also sought for collecting new data on teacher experience and certification and student's years of schooling.

Copies of the proposed information collection request may be accessed from <http://edicsweb.ed.gov>, by selecting the "Browse Pending Collections" link and by clicking on link number 4523. When you access the information collection, click on "Download Attachments" to view. Written requests for information should be addressed to U.S. Department