

administrative protective order ("APO") of their responsibility concerning the disposition of proprietary information disclosed under APO in accordance with 19 CFR 351.305 of the Department's regulations. Timely notification of return/destruction of APO material or conversion to judicial protective order is hereby requested. Failure to comply with the regulations and the terms of an APO is a sanctionable violation.

This five-year ("sunset") review and notice are in accordance with sections 751(c), 752, and 777(i)(1) of the Act.

Dated: June 27, 2000.

**Troy H. Cribb,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 062900A]

#### Northeast Region Sea Scallop Exemption Requirements

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

**ACTION:** Proposed collection; comment request.

**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 take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted on or before September 5, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 6086, 14th and Constitution Avenue NW, Washington DC 20230 (or via Internet at lengelme@doc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Requests for additional information or copies of the information collection instrument(s) and instructions should be directed to David M. Gouveia, NMFS, 1 Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930 (978-281-9280).

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### I. Abstract

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) has established a Sea Scallop Exemption Program (SEP) in the northeast region of the U.S. The SEP allows sea scallop fishermen to fish within certain areas closed to the northeast multispecies fishery. NMFS requires reporting by participants to allow it to enforce regulations and manage the fishery. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) gave emergency Paperwork Reduction Act clearance to these reporting requirements on June 13, 2000. This Notice solicits public comment on a proposed request to OMB for regular clearance for these requirements. It also solicits comment on a proposal to expand the nature of the requirements. The approval obtained from OMB was limited to specifically identified exemption areas. NMFS proposes to request clearance for these requirements to apply to any other exemption areas that may be named.

The requirements currently approved are: (1) vessels not already equipped with a Vessel Monitoring System (VMS) must install one to allow NMFS to monitor the location of the vessel; (2) vessels installing a new VMS must submit verification of that installation; (3) vessels intending to participate in the SEP must notify NMFS of that intent no later than 15 days prior to the scheduled opening of an exemption area; (4) vessels participating must notify NMFS at least 5 days prior to departing on a trip to an exemption area in order to allow possible assignment of observers; (5) vessels on a trip to an exemption area must provide daily reporting via their VMS unit on their catch and related information; and (6) the VMS unit on vessels on a fishing trip to an exemption area must provide automatic position information twice each hour.

### II. Method of Collection

The verification requirement of VMS installation is made by submission of a paper document. Notification requirements and all VMS reporting is done electronically via the VMS unit.

### III. Data

*OMB Number:* 0648-0416.

*Form Number:* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission.

*Affected Public:* Business and other for-profit organizations, individuals.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 267.

*Estimated Time Per Response:* 1 hour for an installation of a VMS unit, 5

minutes for a verification of installation of the VMS unit, 2 minutes for a notification of intent to participate or to leave on a fishing trip, and 30 seconds per day for an automated VMS position reports.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 4,673.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$195,000.

### 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: June 27, 2000.

**Madeleine Clayton,**

*Management Analyst, Office of Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 062700E]

#### Draft International Plan of Action To Address Illegal, Unregulated and Unreported Fishing

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

**ACTION:** Notice of availability; public meeting; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** The United States, through a collaborative effort of NMFS, the Department of State, the Office of the United States Trade Representative, the Coast Guard, and the United States Customs Service announces the availability of a draft International Plan of Action to address Illegal, Unregulated and Unreported Fishing (IPOA-IUU).

The United States, through NMFS, also announces a public meeting to receive comments from members of the public on the draft IPOA-IUU. To accommodate individuals unable to attend a meeting or wishing, alternatively or in addition, to provide written comments, NMFS solicits written comments on the draft IPOA-IUU.

**DATES:** A public meeting on the draft IPOA-IUU will be held at 3 p.m. on Thursday, August 3, 2000. Submit comments on the IPOA-IUU to the appropriate address or fax number by 5 p.m., August 1, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** The public meeting will be held at NOAA-NMFS Headquarters, 1315 East-West Highway, SSMC, Room 12836, Silver Spring, MD, 20910. Comments on the draft IPOA-IUU may be sent to Robin Tuttle, NOAA-NMFS, Office of Science and Technology, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910, or by fax to 301-713-4057. Comments will not be accepted via e-mail or Internet.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robin Tuttle, 301-713-2282, extension 199, or fax 301-713-4057.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The United States, through a collaborative effort of NMFS, the Department of State, the Office of the United States Trade Representative, the Coast Guard, and the United States Customs Service is developing the U.S. position on a voluntary IPOA-IUU elaborated by an Experts Consultation organized by the Government of Australia in cooperation with the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO). The draft IPOA-IUU will be further considered by a Technical Consultation open to all member countries of the FAO, October 2-6, 2000 at FAO headquarters in Rome.

The draft IPOA-IUU is available on the FAO website at [www.fao.org](http://www.fao.org) by clicking on "Fisheries," "Meetings," "Expert Consultation on Illegal, Unregulated and Unreported Fishing, Sydney, Australia, May 15-19, 2000" and "Documents" in succession, or by contacting Robin Tuttle (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

### Special Accommodations

The public meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aides should be directed to Robin Tuttle at least seven days before the meeting. NMFS will be able to accommodate a limited number of teleconference participants. Requests should be directed to Robin Tuttle by July 31,

2000, (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**).

Dated: June 28, 2000.

**Andrew A. Rosenberg,**  
*Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries,*  
*National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 062800B]

#### New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a meeting of its Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (M-SFCMA) Committee in July, 2000 to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from the committee will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 18, 2000, at 9:00 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at offices of the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management, 235 Promenade Street, Providence, RI; telephone: (401)222-6605.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; (978) 465-0492. Requests for special accommodations should be addressed to the New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Newburyport, MA 01950; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The committee will meet to develop comments on the 2000 reauthorization of the M-SFCMA.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal Council action during this meeting. Council 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 Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's

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 Paul J. Howard (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 5 days prior to the meeting dates.

Dated: June 29, 2000.

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

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### Science Advisory Board

**AGENCY:** Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research, NOAA, DOC.

**ACTION:** Notice of open meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Science Advisory Board (SAB) was established by a Decision Memorandum dated September 25, 1997, and is the only Federal Advisory Committee with responsibility to advise the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere on long and short-range strategies for research, education, and application of science to resource management. SAB activities and advice will provide necessary input to ensure that National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) science programs are of the highest quality and provide optimal support to resource management.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Wednesday, July 19, 2000, from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Thursday, July 20, 2000, from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Friday, July 21, 2000, from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** On July 19 and 21, the meeting will be held at the Westmark Hotel, 813 Noble Street, Fairbanks, AK. On Thursday, July 20, 2000, the meeting will be held at the International Arctic Research Center (IARC), University of Alaska Fairbanks, Fairbanks, AK.

**Status:** The meeting will be open to public participation with two 30-minute time periods set aside during the meeting for direct verbal comments or questions from the public. The SAB expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted verbal or written statements. In general, each individual or group making a verbal presentation will be limited to a total time of five (5) minutes. Written comments (at least 35