

the public record by showing how the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) permits such confidentiality. Persons requesting such confidentiality should be aware that under FOIA, confidentiality may be granted in only very limited circumstances, such as to protect trade secrets.

The Forest Service will inform the requester of the Agency's decision regarding the request for confidentiality and if the requester is denied, the Agency will return the submission and notify the requester that the comments may be resubmitted with or without name and address within 90 days.

Release and Review of the DEIS: The DEISs are expected to be filed with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and to be available for public comment in 2005. At that time, the EPA will publish a Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**. The comment period on the DEIS will be 90 days from the date the EPA publishes the Notice of Availability in the **Federal Register**.

The Forest Service believes it is important to give reviewers notice of several court rulings related to public participation in the environmental review process. First, reviewers of DEISs must structure their participation in the environmental review of the proposal so that it is meaningful and alerts an agency to the reviewer's position and contentions [*Vermont Yankee Nuclear Power Corp. v. NRDS*, 435 U.S. 519, 553 (1978)]. Also, environmental objections that could be raised at the DEIS stage but that are not raised until after completion of the final EIS may be waived or dismissed by the courts [*City of Angoon v. Hodel*, 803 F.2d 1016, 1022 (9th cir. 1986) and *Wisconsin Heritages, Inc. v. Harris*, 490 F. Supp. 1334, 1338 (E.D. Wis. 1980)]. Because of these court rulings it is very important that those interested in this proposed action participate by the close of the 90-day comment period so substantive comments and objections are made available to the Forest Service at a time when it can meaningfully consider them and respond to them in the final EIS.

To assist the Forest Service in identifying and considering issues and concerns on the proposed action, comments on the DEIS should be as specific as possible. It is also helpful if comments refer to specific pages or chapters of the DEIS. Comments may also address the adequacy of the DEIS or the merits of the alternatives formulated and discussed in the statement. Reviewers may wish to refer to the Council of Environmental Quality Regulations (<http://ceq.eh.doe.gov/nepa/nepanet.htm>) for implementing the procedural provision of the National

Environmental Policy Act at 40 CFR 1503.3 in addressing these points.

Dated: August 22, 2003.

Randy Moore,

Regional Forester.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Forest Service

Acker Fire Salvage, Umpqua National Forest, Douglas County, OR

AGENCY: Forest Service, USDA.

ACTION: Cancellation notice.

SUMMARY: On June 24, 2003, a Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an environmental impact statement (EIS) for the Acker Fire Salvage on the Tiller Ranger District of the Umpqua National Forest, was published in the **Federal Register** (68 FR 37451). Forest Service has decided to cancel the preparation of this EIS. The NOI is hereby rescinded.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Questions maybe addressed to Alan Baumann, Timber Management Assistant, Tiller Ranger District, 27812 Tiller Trail Highway, Tiller, OR 97484, telephone: 541-825-3201.

Dated: September 9, 2003.

James A. Caplan,

Forest Supervisor.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Natural Resources Conservation Service

Notice of Proposed Changes to Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) of the Natural Resources Conservation Service in Louisiana

AGENCY: Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice of availability of proposed changes to Section IV of the Field Office Technical Guide (FOTG) of the Natural Resources Conservation Service in Louisiana for review and comment.

SUMMARY: It is the intention of the NRCS in Louisiana to issue revised conservation practice standards: Channel Vegetation (322), Deep Tillage (324), Conservation Crop Rotation (328), Residue Management, No-Till (329A), Residue Management, Mulch-Till (329B), Residue Management, Ridge-Till (329C), Cover Crop (340), Critical Area

Planting (342), Closure of Waste Impoundments (360), Grassed Waterway (412), Irrigation System, Tail Water Recovery (447), Pasture and Hayland Planting (512), Pipeline (516), Prescribed Grazing (528A), Range Planting (550), Heavy Use Area Protection (561), Animal Trails and Walkways (575), Streambank and Shoreline Protection (580), Nutrient Management (590), Tree/Shrub Establishment (612), Watering Facility (614), Waste Utilization (633), Wetland Restoration (657), Wetland Creation (658).

DATES: Comments will be received on or before October 20, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Inquire in writing to Donald W. Gohmert, State Conservationist, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), 3737 Government Street, Alexandria, Louisiana 71302. Copies of the practice standards will be made available upon written request.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 343 of the Federal Agriculture Improvement and Reform Act of 1996 states that revisions made after enactment of the law to NRCS State Technical Guides used to carry out highly erodible land and wetland provisions of the law shall be made available for public review and comment. For the next 30 days the NRCS in Louisiana will receive comments relative to the proposed changes. Following that period a determination will be made by the NRCS in Louisiana regarding disposition of those comments and a final determination of change will be made.

Dated: September 9, 2003.

Donald W. Gohmert,

State Conservationist, USDA, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Alexandria, Louisiana 71302.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

[I.D. 091503C]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Title: Southwest Region Logbook Family of Forms.

Form Number(s): None.

OMB Approval Number: 0648-0214.

Type of Request: Regular submission.

Burden Hours: 2,339.

Number of Respondents: 162.

Average Hours Per Response: 5.25 minutes per day for a logbook in Pacific Pelagic fisheries (unless otherwise noted); 5 minutes per report for logbooks in the Crustacean or Pelagic Trawl or Handline (in the Pacific remote islands area) fisheries; 7 minutes per day for a logbook in the Precious Coral fishery; 5 minutes per report for a transshipment logbook; 5 minutes for a sales report in a logbook; 3 minutes for an at-sea catch report; 3 minutes for a pre-trip or pre-offloading notice; 1 hour per observer placement meeting; 4 hours for a claim of lost fishing time; 5 minutes for a report on gear left at sea; 5 minutes for a sales report; 2 hours for a protected species interaction report; 3 minutes for a pre-season Vessel Monitoring System (VMS) report; 4 hours for installation of a VMS unit; 2 hours for annual maintenance of a VMS unit; 24 seconds a day for automated VMS position reports; and 4 hours for an experimental fishing report.

Needs and Uses: Participants in Federally-managed fisheries in the western Pacific are required to provide certain information about their fishing activities. These include logbooks, notifications, and other requirements, as well as use of a vessel monitoring system (VMS). The information is needed for the management of the fisheries.

Affected Public: Business or other for-profit organizations, households or individuals.

Frequency: By trip, variable.

Respondent's Obligation: Mandatory.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, FAX number (202) 395-7285, or David_Rostker@omb.eop.gov.

Dated: September 12, 2003.

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

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Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

Title: Subsistence Fishery for Pacific Halibut in Waters Off Alaska: Annual Survey.

Form Number(s): None.

OMB Approval Number: None.

Type of Request: Regular submission.

Burden Hours: 4,450.

Number of Respondents: 8,900.

Average Hours Per Response: 30 minutes.

Needs and Uses: This collection of information would be a pilot for an annual harvest survey for a subsistence Pacific halibut program. The program is intended to allow qualified persons to practice the long-term customary and traditional harvest of Pacific halibut for food in a non-commercial manner.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: One-time.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Diana Hynek, Departmental Paperwork Clearance Officer, (202) 482-0266, Department of Commerce, Room 6625, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at dHynek@doc.gov).

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Dated: September 12, 2003

Gwellnar Banks,

Management Analyst, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Economics and Statistics Administration

Bureau of Economic Analysis Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Bureau of Economic Analysis, Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, as amended by Public Law 94-409, Public Law 96-523, and Public Law 97-375), we are giving notice of a meeting of the Bureau of Economic Analysis Advisory Committee. The meeting's agenda is as follows: overview of the comprehensive revision of the National Income and Product Accounts, comparability of U.S. and other countries' Gross Domestic Product, and the future architecture of the National Accounts.

DATES: On Friday, November 14, 2003, the meeting will begin at 9 a.m. and adjourn at approximately 4 p.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place at BEA, 2nd floor, Conference Room A&B, 1441 L Street NW., Washington, DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: J. Steven Landefeld, Director, Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: 202-606-9600.

Public Participation: This meeting is open to the public. Because of security procedures, anyone planning to attend the meeting must contact Verna Learnard of BEA at 202-606-9690 in advance. The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Verna Learnard at 202-606-9690.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Committee was established on September 2, 1999, to advise the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) on matters related to the development and improvement of BEA's national, regional, and international economic accounts. This will be the Committee's eighth meeting.