SURVEY

ALASKA LICENSE LIMITATION PROGRAM (LLP) FOR GROUNDFISH, CRAB, AND SCALLOPS OMB CONTROL NO. 0648-0334

The Office of Management and Burden (OMB) requires each Federal agency to ask for comments from non-agency persons who are required to comply with recordkeeping and reporting requirements for that agency, or from other non-NOAA stakeholders. To satisfy the Paperwork Reduction Act requirements of the OMB, National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Alaska Region is seeking your help to review the information collection, Alaska License Limitation Program (LLP) for Groundfish, Crab, and Scallops, OMB Control Number 0648-0334. These licenses are described in regulations at 50 CFR parts 679.4(g) and 679.4(k). The application period for an LLP license has ended; an LLP can now only be obtained through transfer.

Scallops

A scallop LLP license authorizes the person named on the license to catch and retain scallops in compliance with State of Alaska regulations and only with a vessel that does not exceed the maximum LOA specified on the license and the gear designation specified on the license.

<u>Groundfish</u>

A groundfish LLP license authorizes a license holder to deploy a vessel to conduct directed fishing for LLP groundfish only in accordance with the specific area and species endorsements, the vessel and gear designations, and the MLOA specified on the license.

<u>Crab</u>

A crab LLP may be used only to participate in the fisheries endorsed on the license and on a vessel that complies with the vessel designation and MLOA specified on the license.

Please look over the survey and for each of the items listed, make a check mark to indicate your answer.

- If an application **does not apply to you**, please check **N/A**, and go to the next form.
- If you do have a certain LLP, check **YES**.

And, let us know why you answered YES or NO to each question. Please e-mail your responses to me at <u>patsy.bearden@noaa.gov_by_October 3, 2014.</u>

If you have any questions or need more information, call me at 907-586-7008. Thanks in advance.

Respectfully,

<u>Patsy A. Bearden</u> <u>Sustainable Fisheries Division</u> <u>NMFS Alaska Region</u>

APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER LLP GROUNDFISH / CRAB LICENSE	
view at http://alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/ram/LLP_trans_form.pdf	
[_] YES, I have used this transfer [_] Not applicable GO TO THE NEXT F	FORM.
1. Do you have the information easily available to complete the groundfish/crab transfer application?	[] YES
If NO, tell us what you need to do to complete this form.	
	[_] NO
	[] NO COMMENT
<u>2. Would you prefer to file this application online</u>?If NO, tell us your preferred method – U.S. mail, fax, courier, other method?	[] YES
	[] NO
	[] NO COMMENT
3. Is our estimate of 1 hour long enough for you to collect and record the information?IF NO, how long does it take? Why does it take this much time?	[] YES
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	[] NO COMMENT
4. Is our estimate of \$10 per application accurate?	
IF NO , what is your transfer application submittal cost?	[] YES
	[] NO
	[] NO COMMENT
5. Are the instructions for the application clear and understandable?	[] YES
If NO, which question(s) is not clear? and why?	
	[_] NO
	[] NO COMMENT
6. Provide any additional comments on any aspect of the LLP transfer application COMMENTS:	[] NO COMMENT

APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER LLP SCALLOPS LICENSE view at http://alaskafisheries.noaa.gov/ram/sllptransapp_inst.pdf		
[_] YES, I have used this transfer [_] Not applicable GO TO THE NEXT FORM.		
 Do you have the information easily available to complete the scallops transfer application? If NO, tell us what you need to do to complete this form. 	[] YES	
In NO, ten us what you need to do to complete this form.	[] NO	
	[] NO COMMENT	
2. Would you prefer to file this application online?	_ [] YES	
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6. Provide any additional comments on any aspect of the LLP transfer application		
COMMENTS:	[] NO COMMENT	

TRANSFER APPEALS		
[_] YES, I have used transfer appeals [_] Not applicable GO TO THE NEXT FORM.		
1. Do you have the information easily available to complete the transfer appeals?	[] YES	
If NO, tell us what you need.	[] NO	
	[] NO COMMENT	
2. Would you prefer to file the appeals online?	[] YES	
If NO, tell us your preferred method – U.S. mail, fax, courier, other method?		
	[_] NO	
	[] NO COMMENT	
3. Is our estimate of 4 hours long enough for you to collect and submit the information?	[] YES	
IF NO , how long does it take? Why does it take this much time?		
	[_] NO	
	[] NO COMMENT	
4. Is our estimate of less than \$1 accurate to submit the appeals?	[] YES	
IF NO, what is your submittal cost?		
	[] NO	
	[] NO COMMENT	
5. Are the instructions clear and understandable?	[] YES	
If NO, which question(s) is not clear? and why?		
	[_] NO	
	[] NO COMMENT	
6. Provide any additional comments on any aspect of the appeals process		
COMMENTS:	[] NO COMMENT	