

samples), Cuba (Central & SW Atlantic DPS, up to 50 samples), and Sierra Leone (Eastern Atlantic DPS, up to 50 samples) for genetic analysis at Texas A&M University in Corpus Christi. These samples would be used as part of a larger project to characterize the stock structure of *S. lewini* populations within the western Atlantic, as well as between the western Pacific and Atlantic, using next generation sequencing techniques. Tissue samples would be from animals that have been previously collected, or will be taken opportunistically as scalloped hammerheads are encountered in fish markets. The requested duration of the permit is five years.

Dated: November 14, 2017.

**Julia Harrison,**

Chief, Permits and Conservation Division,  
Office of Protected Resources, National  
Marine Fisheries Service.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric  
Administration**

**Proposed Information Collection;  
Comment Request; Alaska Commercial  
Operator's Annual Report (COAR)**

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

**ACTION:** Notice.

**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.

**DATES:** Written comments must be  
submitted on or before January 16, 2018.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all written comments  
to Jennifer Jessup, Departmental  
Paperwork Clearance Officer,  
Department of Commerce, Room 6616,  
14th and Constitution Avenue NW.,  
Washington, DC 20230 (or via the  
Internet at [pracomments@doc.gov](mailto:pracomments@doc.gov)).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**  
Requests for additional information or  
copies of the information collection  
instrument and instructions should be  
directed to Suja Hall, (907) 586-7462.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**I. Abstract**

This request is for extension of a  
currently approved information  
collection.

The Alaska Commercial Operator's  
Annual Report (COAR) is a report that  
collects harvest and production  
information broken out by specific  
criteria such as gear type, area, delivery  
and product type, and pounds and  
value. The COAR is due by April 1 of  
the year following any buying or  
processing activity.

Any person or company who received  
a Fisheries Business License from the  
Alaska Department of Revenue and an  
Intent to Operate Permit by Alaska  
Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G)  
is required to annually submit the  
COAR to the ADF&G, under Alaska  
Administrative Code (AAC), chapter 5  
AAC 39.130. In addition, any person or  
company who receives an Exclusive  
Economic Zone (EEZ)-only permit from  
ADF&G annually must submit a COAR  
to ADF&G. Any owner of a catcher/  
processor or mothership with a Federal  
permit operating in the EEZ off Alaska  
is required to annually submit a COAR  
to ADF&G under 50 CFR 679.5(p).

The COAR contains data on seafood  
purchasing, production, ex-vessel  
values, and first wholesale values for  
seafood products. Containing  
information from shoreside processors,  
stationary floating processors,  
motherships, and catcher/processors,  
this data collection yields equivalent  
annual product value information for all  
respective processing sectors and  
provides a consistent time series  
according to which groundfish  
resources may be managed more  
efficiently. Use of the information  
generated by the COAR is coordinated  
between NMFS and the ADF&G.

**II. Method of Collection**

The COAR is available in pdf and  
Microsoft Word formats on the ADF&G  
Web site at [http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/  
index.cfm?adfg=fishlicense.coar](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=fishlicense.coar).  
Respondents complete either a paper  
form or the fillable file available online  
and submit the form by mail to the  
ADF&G.

**III. Data**

*OMB Control Number:* 0648-0428.

*Form Number(s):* None.

*Type of Review:* Regular submission  
(extension of a current information  
collection).

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-  
profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:*  
179.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 8 hr.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden  
Hours:* 1,432.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to  
Public:* \$716 in recordkeeping/reporting  
costs.

**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: November 14, 2017.

**Sarah Brabson,**

NOAA PRA Clearance Officer.

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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION**

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**Agency Information Collection  
Activities; Submission to the Office of  
Management and Budget for Review  
and Approval; Comment Request;  
Gainful Employment Programs—  
Subpart Q**

**AGENCY:** Federal Student Aid (FSA),  
Department of Education (ED).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with the  
Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, ED is  
proposing a revision of an existing  
information collection.

**DATES:** Interested persons are invited to  
submit comments on or before  
December 18, 2017.

**ADDRESSES:** To access and review all the  
documents related to the information  
collection listed in this notice, please  
use <http://www.regulations.gov> by  
searching the Docket ID number ED-  
2017-ICCD-0116. Comments submitted  
in response to this notice should be  
submitted electronically through the  
Federal eRulemaking Portal at [http://  
www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) by selecting the