Public Burden Statement - Effective 4/30/2020

A Federal agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, nor shall a person be subject to a penalty for failure to comply with an information collection subject to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 unless the information collection has a currently valid OMB Control Number. The approved OMB Control Number for this information collection is 0648-0618. Without this approval, we could not conduct this survey program. Public reporting for this information collection is estimated to be approximately 8 hours for catcher processors, catcher vessels, and motherships, 1 hour for quota share permit owners, and 20 hours for first receivers and shorebased processors per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the information collection. All participants of the West Coast Groundfish Trawl Fishery must complete an annual Economic Data Collection (EDC) form as required by regulation 50 CFR 660.114. Participation in the groundfish fishery will not be authorized until all required forms are submitted. Failure to submit the required EDC forms may be a violation of the MSA. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this information collection, including suggestions for reducing this burden to the Erin Steiner, Northwest Fisheries Science Center, 2725 Montlake Blvd E, Seattle, WA, 98112, (206) 860-3215 or erin.steiner@noaa.gov.