

monitoring of exploration licenses under the Deep Seabed Hard Mineral Resources Act. The NOAA Office for Coastal Management is responsible for approving and administering licenses. Any persons seeking a license must submit certain information that allows NOAA to ensure the applicant meets the standards of the Act. Licensees are required to conduct monitoring and make reports, and they may request revisions, transfers, or extensions of licenses. Information required for the issuance and extension of licenses is provided to fulfill statutory requirements to ensure that license applicants have identified areas of interest for deep seabed hard mineral exploration and production; developed plans for those activities; have the financial resources available to conduct proposed activity; and have considered the effects of the activity on the natural and human environment. This information is used to determine whether licenses should be granted or extended.

Exploration licenses and commercial recovery permits under the Deep Seabed Hard Mineral Resources Act are only for activities by U.S. citizens in international waters. No license or permit applications have been received since the early 1980s, and none are expected during this collection period. U.S. deep seabed exploration licenses and commercial recovery permits are not recognized by the International Seabed Authority, which may raise security of tenure concerns internationally due to the lack of U.S. accession to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea Treaty. Two exploration licenses issued in the early 1980s are held by Lockheed Martin Corporation. The licenses are subject to annual reporting requirements and extension requests every five years. No at-sea exploration is authorized under the licenses without further authorization from NOAA. Such activities are not expected during the reporting period for the same reason as above.

Affected Public: Large businesses.

Frequency: Report on activities pursuant to the exploration licenses due annually. Extension requests must be submitted every five years.

Respondent's Obligation: Required to maintain licenses.

Legal Authority: Deep Seabed Hard Mineral Resources Act (DSHMRA) (30 U.S.C. 1401–1473); 15 CFR part 970.

This information collection request may be viewed at www.reginfo.gov. Follow the instructions to view the Department of Commerce collections currently under review by OMB.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function and entering either the title of the collection or the OMB Control Number 0648–0145.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Survey to Collect Economic Data from Recreational Anglers along the Atlantic Coast

The Department of Commerce will submit the following information collection request to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, on or after the date of publication of this notice. We invite the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on proposed, and continuing information collections, which helps us assess the impact of our information collection requirements and minimize the public's reporting burden. Public comments were previously requested via the **Federal Register** on March 21, 2022 during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

Agency: National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Commerce.

Title: Survey to Collect Economic Data from Recreational Anglers along the Atlantic Coast.

OMB Control Number: 0648–0783.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular submission [extension and revision of a current information collection].

Number of Respondents: 957.

Average Hours per Response: 8 minutes to complete NARFS III and 12 minutes to complete NARFS IV.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 157 hours.

Needs and Uses: This request is for a revision and extension to a currently approved information collection. The first data collection effort in 2019 under OMB Control Number 0648–0783 was to assess how changes in saltwater recreational fishing regulations affect angler effort, angler welfare, fishing mortality, and future stock levels. That data collection effort focused on anglers who fished for Atlantic cod and haddock off the Atlantic coast from Maine to Massachusetts (North Atlantic Recreational Fishing Survey I). In 2020, the collection was revised to remove the cod and haddock survey and add a survey focused on anglers who fish for summer flounder, black sea bass, and scup along the Atlantic coast from Massachusetts to North Carolina (North Atlantic Recreational Fishing Survey II). In 2022, the collection was revised again to re-add the original cod and haddock survey back to this control number (North Atlantic Recreational Fishing Survey III). This revision will re-add the survey focused on summer flounder, black sea bass, and scup (North Atlantic Recreational Fishing Survey IV) that was inadvertently removed in the last revision.

The objective of these surveys will remain exactly the same as the previous surveys conducted under this control number. That is, to statistically assess how anglers respond to changes in management options and fishing regulations (e.g., bag limits, size limits, dates of open seasons, etc.). The survey data will provide the information fisheries managers need to conduct updated analysis of the socio-economic effects to recreational anglers and to coastal communities of proposed changes in fishing regulations. The recreational fishing community and regional fisheries management councils now rely on species-specific socio-economic studies of recreational fishing for analyses of fisheries policies. These surveys will address the stated need for more species-specific studies.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: On Occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801

Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act.

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Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be

submitted within 30 days of the publication of this notice on the following website www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. Find this particular information collection by selecting “Currently under 30-day Review—Open for Public Comments” or by using the search function and entering either the title of the collection or the OMB Control Number 0648–0783.

Sheleen Dumas,

Department PRA Clearance Officer, Office of the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, Commerce Department.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648–XE285]

South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council’s (Council) will hold a meeting of its Scientific and Statistical Committee’s Social and Economic Panel (SEP).

DATES: The meeting will be held via webinar on October 7, 2024, from 9 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. Registration is required. Webinar registration, an online public comment form, and briefing book materials will be available two weeks prior to the meetings at: <https://safmc.net/scientific-and-statistical-committee-meeting/>.

ADDRESSES:

Council address: South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N. Charleston, SC 29405.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Christina Wiegand, Fishery Social Scientist, SAFMC; phone: (843) 571–4366 or toll free: (866) SAFMC–10; fax: (843) 769–4520; email: christina.wiegand@safmc.net.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The SEP meeting agenda includes an update on Council active amendments and discussion of modifications to the Southeast For-Hire Integrated Electronic Reporting (SEFHIER) Program. Overall compliance with the reporting program is low compared to that previously observed the Gulf of Mexico. The Council has begun discussion on ways

to improve compliance, strengthen reporting requirements, and explore data validation, with the goal of utilizing the information being collected in future management decisions. As these discussions continue, the Council is asking for input from the SEP.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (see **ADDRESSES**) 5 days prior to the public meeting date.

Note: The times and sequence specified in this agenda are subject to change.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: September 17, 2024.

Rey Israel Marquez,

Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648–XE295]

Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold public meetings of the Council and its Executive Committee.

DATES: The meetings will be held Tuesday, October 8 through Thursday, October 10, 2024. For agenda details, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be an in-person meeting with a virtual option. Council members, other meeting participants, and members of the public will have the option to participate in person at the Hyatt Place Dewey Beach, 1301 Coastal Highway, Dewey Beach, DE 19971, or virtually via Webex webinar. Webinar connection instructions and briefing materials will be available at: <https://www.mafmc.org/briefing/october-2024>.

Council address: Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N State St., Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674–2331; www.mafmc.org.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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Management Council; telephone: (302) 526–5255. The Council’s website, www.mafmc.org, also has details on the meeting location, proposed agenda, webinar listen-in access, and briefing materials.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following items are on the agenda, although agenda items may be addressed out of order (changes will be noted on the Council’s website when possible).

Tuesday, October 8, 2024

Executive Committee—Open Session

2025 Implementation Plan: Review draft deliverables

Council Convenes

2025–2029 Strategic Plan

Review and provide feedback on draft strategic plan

Offshore Wind Update

Updates from Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM)

Updates from Mid-Atlantic Regional Council on the Ocean (MARCO) on Offshore Wind Transmission Workshop

Updates from New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection on Offshore Wind Research and Monitoring Initiative Research Priorities

Updates from Northeast Fisheries Science Center (NEFSC) and Greater Atlantic Regional Fisheries Office (GARFO)

General Q&A/Discussion

Habitat Activities Update—GARFO Habitat and Ecosystem Services Division

Presentation on activities of interest in the region

Wednesday, October 9, 2024

2025 Atlantic Mackerel Specifications

Review recommendations from the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC), Monitoring Committee, Advisory Panel, and staff

Review previously adopted 2025 specifications and management measures, and recommend changes if necessary

2025–2026 Butterfish Specifications

Review recommendations from the SSC, Monitoring Committee, Advisory Panel, and staff

Adopt specifications for 2025–2026

2025 Spiny Dogfish Specifications

Review recommendations from the SSC, Monitoring Committee, Advisory Panel, and staff