

On January 19, 2021, we issued a final rule with regulations to govern the unintentional taking of marine mammals incidental to geophysical survey activities conducted by oil and gas industry operators, and those persons authorized to conduct activities on their behalf (collectively “industry operators”), in U.S. waters of the GOM over the course of 5 years (86 FR 5322). The rule was based on our findings that the total taking from the specified activities over the 5-year period will have a negligible impact on the affected species or stock(s) of marine mammals and will not have an unmitigable adverse impact on the availability of those species or stocks for subsistence uses. The rule became effective on April 19, 2021.

Our regulations at 50 CFR 217.180 *et seq.* allow for the issuance of LOAs to industry operators for the incidental take of marine mammals during geophysical survey activities and prescribe the permissible methods of taking and other means of affecting the least practicable adverse impact on marine mammal species or stocks and their habitat (often referred to as mitigation), as well as requirements pertaining to the monitoring and reporting of such taking. Under section 217.186(e), issuance of an LOA shall be based on a determination that the level of taking will be consistent with the findings made for the total taking allowable under these regulations and a determination that the amount of take authorized under the LOA is of no more than small numbers.

NMFS issued an LOA to Shell on October 1, 2022, for the take of marine mammals incidental to a 3-dimensional (3D) ocean bottom node (OBN) survey in Garden Banks Lease Block GB555 and GB556 and the surrounding 414 lease blocks effective through August 31, 2023. Please see the **Federal Register** notification of issuance (87 FR 55790, September 12, 2022) for additional detail regarding the LOA and the survey activity.

Shell initially anticipated that the activity would occur at some point between October 1, 2022 and August 31, 2023. Shell subsequently conveyed to NMFS that the survey would not be able to be completed by the original end date. Shell has requested modification to the expiration date of the LOA (from August 31, 2023, to September 15, 2023) to accommodate the survey delays.

Authorization

NMFS has changed the expiration date of the LOA from August 31, 2023 to September 15, 2023. There are no other changes to the LOA as described

in the September 12, 2023, **Federal Register** notice of issuance (87 FR 55790): the specified survey activity; estimated take by incidental harassment; and small numbers analysis and determination remain unchanged.

Dated: August 28, 2023.

Kimberly Damon-Randall,

*Director, Office of Protected Resources,
National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648–XD316]

New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public hybrid meeting of its Groundfish Committee to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

DATES: This hybrid meeting will be held on September 22, 2023, at 9:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES:

Meeting address: This meeting will be held at the DoubleTree by Hilton, 50 Ferncroft Road, Danvers, MA 01923; telephone: (978) 777–2500.

Webinar registration URL

information: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5463173544525981530>.

Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cate O’Keefe, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465–0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Agenda

The Groundfish Committee will meet to discuss recommendations from the Recreational Advisory Panel and Groundfish Advisory Panel. They will discuss Atlantic Cod Transition Plan—a summary of fishery data from the Research Track stock assessment for Atlantic cod as well as Framework Adjustment 66/Specifications and

Management Measures—an update on the development of draft alternatives and a report from the Transboundary Management Guidance Committee (TMGC). The Committee will discuss Framework Adjustment 68/Acceptable Biological Catches (ABC) Control Rules—the findings from the facilitated meeting and Groundfish Committee motions from meeting held on August 17, 2023 as well as 2024 Council Priorities—possible groundfish priorities for the Council to consider for 2024, and provide recommendations to the Council, as appropriate. Other business will be discussed as necessary.

Although non-emergency issues not contained on the agenda may come before this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council’s intent to take final action to address the emergency. The public also should be aware that the meeting will be recorded. Consistent with 16 U.S.C. 1852, a copy of the recording is available upon request.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Cate O’Keefe, Executive Director, at (978) 465–0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: August 31, 2023.

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

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for Review and Approval; Comment Request; Workplace Violence Prevention and Response Forms

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 December 27, 2022 (87 FR 79279) during a 60-day comment period. This notice allows for an additional 30 days for public comments.

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

Title: Workplace Violence Prevention and Response Forms.

OMB Control Number: 0648-XXXX.
Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular submission, new information collection.

Number of Respondents: 323.

Average Hours Per Response: Impacted Person Reporting Preference Form and SASH.

Data Collection Form: 1 hour; Workplace Culture Survey: 30 minutes; Ocean Acidification.

Post-Cruise Survey: 10 minutes.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 237.

Needs and Uses: This is a request for a new information collection.

This information collection will be used to document elements of the sexual assault/sexual harassment (SASH) response and/or reporting process and comply with procedures set up to effectively manage National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Workplace Violence Prevention and Response (WVPR). Under 33 U.S.C. 894, NOAA is required to establish a mechanism by which sexual assault and sexual harassment can be reported on a Restricted and Unrestricted basis. Further, Congress directs NOAA to reference Department of Defense (DoD) policy and procedures in the standup of our SASH response program. WVPR requires various Intake forms to document a victim's election of a Restricted or Unrestricted Report of sexual assault or sexual harassment, as well as document that the details of each reporting option have been properly communicated with the victim. WVPR has modeled its forms after the DoD sexual assault/sexual harassment forms in accordance with guidance by Congress. NOAA may also use this collection to survey federal employees, contractors, affiliates, interns, volunteers, or other individuals who work in or visit NOAA-occupied facilities, vessels, or aircraft to

determine their perceptions of incidents of SASH, pursuant to NOAA Administrative Order (NAO) 202-1106, Section 5.01e.

Affected Public: Individuals employed by NOAA, including affiliates and contractors.

Frequency: As needed.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

Legal Authority: 33 U.S.C. 894.

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 the title of the collection.

Sheleen Dumas,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Department of the Navy

Board of Visitors, Marine Corps University; Notice of Federal Advisory Committee Meeting

AGENCY: Department of the Navy (DoN), Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Board of Visitors of the Marine Corps University (BOV MCU) will meet to review, develop and provide recommendations on all aspects of the academic and administrative policies of the University; examine all aspects of professional military education operations; and provide such oversight and advice, as is necessary, to facilitate high educational standards and cost effective operations. The Board will be focusing primarily on the internal procedures of Marine Corps University.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Monday, 18 September 2023, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and 19 September from 08:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Pacific Time Zone.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at Camp Pendleton, California. The

address is: Education Center, Building 23195, Marine Corps Air Station, Camp Pendleton, CA 92055. All sessions of the meeting will be open to the public via *Microsoft Teams*: <https://www.microsoft.com/en-us/microsoft-teams/join-a-meeting?rtc=1>.

Meeting ID: 257 829 522 460.

Passcode: nTQqLr.

Or call in (audio only) +1 323-792-6328, United States, Los Angeles.

Phone Conference ID: 979 155 738#.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Kim Florich, Director of Faculty Development and Outreach, Marine Corps University Board of Visitors, 2076 South Street, Quantico, Virginia 22134, telephone number 703-432-4837.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Written Comments and Statements: Pursuant to section 10(a)(3) of the FACA and 41 CFR 102-3.105(j) and 102-3.140, interested persons may submit a written statement for consideration at any time, but should be received by the Designated Federal Officer at least 5 business days prior to the meeting date so that the comments may be made available to the Board for their consideration prior to the meeting. Written statements should be submitted via email to: Kimberly.florich@usmcu.edu. Please note that since the Board operates under the provisions of the FACA, as amended, all submitted comments and public presentations may be treated as public documents and may be made available for public inspection, including, but not limited to, being posted on the board website.

Dated: August 30, 2023.

J.E. Koningsor,

Lieutenant Commander, Judge Advocate General's Corps, U.S. Navy, Federal Register Liaison Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2023-SCC-0157]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Comment Request; 2020/25 Beginning Postsecondary Students (BPS:20/25) Field Test

AGENCY: National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Department is proposing a revision of a currently approved information collection request (ICR).