

Comment 2: Whether Certain Ureblock/
Espumas Record Data Issues Warrant the
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Comment 3: Whether Commerce Should
Correct Two Ministerial Errors in its
Analysis of Ureblock's Databases

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Comment 5: Whether Commerce Should
Select Kuka as the Second Mandatory
Respondent in the Investigation

VIII. Recommendation

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648- XE064]

Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act; General Provisions for Domestic Fisheries; Applications for Exempted Fishing Permits

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

ACTION: Notice; request for comments.

SUMMARY: In the spring of 2024, two
exempted fishing permits (EFP)
applications were submitted to NMFS to
request exemption from regulations
pertaining to the use of authorized gear
types under the Fishery Management
Plan for U.S. West Coast Fisheries for
Highly Migratory Species (HMS FMP).
The applicants propose to test the
effects and economic viability of using
alternative fishing practices to harvest
swordfish and other HMS off the U.S.
West Coast. Specifically, the
applications propose fishing with
standard and linked deep-set buoy gear
(DSBG) at night, a practice otherwise
known as night-set buoy gear (NSBG).
During the June 2024 Pacific Fishery
Management Council (Council) meeting,
the Council made recommendations to
NMFS regarding the two applications
for EFPs. NMFS has determined that
these applications warrant
consideration and is requesting public
comment on them.

DATES: Comments must be submitted in
writing by August 21, 2024.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments
on this document, identified by NOAA-
NMFS-2024-0080, by any of the
following methods:

Electronic Submission: Submit all
electronic public comments via the
Federal e-Rulemaking Portal. Go to
<https://www.regulations.gov> and enter
NOAA-NMFS-2024-0080 in the Search

box. Click on the "Comment" icon,
complete the required fields, and enter
or attach your comments.

Mail: Submit written comments to
Chris Fanning, NMFS West Coast
Region, 501 W Ocean Blvd., Suite 4200,
Long Beach, CA 90802. Include the
identifier "NOAA-NMFS-2024-0080"
in the comments.

Instructions: Comments sent by any
other method, to any other address or
individual, or received after the end of
the comment period, may not be
considered by NMFS. All comments
received are a part of the public record,
and will generally be posted for public
viewing on <https://www.regulations.gov>
without change. All personal identifying
information (e.g., name, address, etc.),
confidential business information, or
otherwise sensitive information
submitted voluntarily by the sender will
be publicly accessible. NMFS will
accept anonymous comments (enter "N/
A" in the required fields if you wish to
remain anonymous).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Chris Fanning, NMFS, West Coast
Region, 562-980-4198, Chris.Fanning@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 8,
2023, NMFS published a final rule
implementing amendment 6 to the HMS
FMP (88 FR 29545). These regulations,
which became effective on June 7, 2023,
authorize the use of standard and linked
DSBG for targeting swordfish and other
HMS in Federal waters off of California
and Oregon. The regulations include
various gear specification requirements
and operational requirements (e.g.,
prohibiting vessels from deploying their
gear at night). See 50 CFR 660.715.

The two applications¹ specifically
request exemption from 50 CFR
660.715(c)(3) that limits gear
deployment and retrieval to daytime
hours between sunrise and sunset.
Aside from the regulatory exemptions
being sought for the proposed activities
in the applications described above,
vessels fishing under an EFP would be
subject to all other regulations
implemented at 50 CFR part 660,
subpart K and 50 CFR part 300, subpart
C. This includes measures to protect sea
turtles, marine mammals, and seabirds.

At this time, NMFS is requesting
public comment on the two NSBG EFP
applications discussed above. NMFS
will consider the Council's
recommendation, along with public
comments, when determining whether
to issue these EFPs.

¹ <https://www.pcouncil.org/documents/2024/05/g-3-attachment-1.pdf/>, and <https://www.pcouncil.org/documents/2024/05/g-3-attachment-2.pdf/>.

NMFS will consider all public
comments submitted in response to this
Federal Register notice prior to issuance
of any EFP. NMFS has already analyzed
the effects of issuing EFPs for NSBG, in
accordance with the National
Environmental Policy Act and NOAA's
Administrative Order 216-6A. NMFS
has also evaluated the proposed fishing
practices for compliance with other
applicable laws, including section
7(a)(2) of the Endangered Species Act
(16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), which requires
the agency to consider whether the
proposed action is likely to jeopardize
the continued existence and recovery of
any endangered or threatened species or
result in the destruction or adverse
modification of critical habitat.

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

Dated: July 16, 2024.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

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Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Under Secretary of
Defense for Personnel and Readiness
(OUSD(P&R)), Department of Defense
(DoD).

ACTION: 30-Day information collection
notice.

SUMMARY: The DoD has submitted to the
Office of Management and Budget
(OMB) for clearance the following
proposal for collection of information
under the provisions of the Paperwork
Reduction Act.

DATES: Consideration will be given to all
comments received by August 21, 2024.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and
recommendations for the proposed
information collection should be sent
within 30 days of publication of this
notice to 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.

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