

NOTICE OF OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET ACTION

Date 09/06/2011

Department of Commerce
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
FOR CERTIFYING OFFICIAL: Simon Szykman
FOR CLEARANCE OFFICER: Diana Hynek

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act, OMB has taken action on your request received 07/08/2011

ACTION REQUESTED: No material or nonsubstantive change to a currently approved collection
TYPE OF REVIEW REQUESTED: Regular
ICR REFERENCE NUMBER: 201107-0648-002
AGENCY ICR TRACKING NUMBER:
TITLE: Atlantic Sea Scallop Fishery Management Plan Data Collection
LIST OF INFORMATION COLLECTIONS: See next page

OMB ACTION: Approved without change
OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0648-0491

The agency is required to display the OMB Control Number and inform respondents of its legal significance in accordance with 5 CFR 1320.5(b).

EXPIRATION DATE: 05/31/2014

DISCONTINUE DATE:

BURDEN:	RESPONSES	HOURS	COSTS
Previous	37,626	2,804	775,719
New	55,126	3,388	789,544
Difference			
Change due to New Statute	0	0	0
Change due to Agency Discretion	17,500	584	13,825
Change due to Agency Adjustment	0	0	0
Change Due to Potential Violation of the PRA	0	0	0

TERMS OF CLEARANCE:

OMB Authorizing Official:

Kevin F. Neyland
Deputy Administrator,
Office Of Information And Regulatory Affairs

List of ICs

IC Title	Form No.	Form Name	CFR Citation
VMS: trip declarations, power down codes and polling fees			50 CFR 648.9
Broken trip adjustment and access area trip exchange	NA, NA	Trip exchange request, Broken trip adjustment sheet	50 CFR 648.53
Trip Termination and Compensation Trip Identification			50 CFR 648.9
IFQ Ownership Cap Forms	NA	Vessel ownership form	50 CFR 648.53
RUPH Applications	NA	Application for vessel upgrade, replacement and confirmation of permit history	50 CFR 648.53
VMS Pre-Landing Notification (IFQ, NGOM)			50 CFR 648.53
Quota Transfer Applications - Temporary and Permanent	NA	Request to transfer LACG IFQ Scallop Allocation	50 CFR 648.53
Cost Recovery			50 CFR 648.53
Sector Proposals			50 CFR 648.63
Sector Operation Plans			50 CFR 648.63
VMS Catch Report			50 CFR 648.10

JUSTIFICATION FOR CHANGE
ATLANTIC SEA SCALLOP AMENDMENT 15 CATCH REPORTING
OMB CONTROL NO. 0648-0491

Currently, vessels fishing for scallops in scallop rotational access areas (access areas) are required to submit daily reports of scallops kept and yellowtail flounder caught through the vessel monitoring system (VMS). Under Amendment 15 Atlantic Sea Scallop Fishery Management Plan (Scallop FMP), the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) proposed to expand the daily catch reporting requirement to scallop trips in all fishing areas.

Comments on this change were solicited in the proposed rule for MSB Specifications for the 2011 Fishing Year, Regulation Identifier Number (RIN) 0648-BA71. There were no comments on the proposed change.

DESCRIPTION

Under Amendment 15, vessels must submit daily VMS catch reports for all declared scallop trips. As it does currently, this provision will apply to vessels issued a limited access scallop permit, limited access general category (LAGC) individual fishing quota (IFQ) scallop permit, or LAGC Northern Gulf of Maine (NGOM) scallop permit.

There will be 620 affected vessels affected by the change, the same number of vessels currently affected under OMB Control No. 0648-0491 for the existing catch report. There are an estimated 27,500 days of fishing total for all affected vessels, and thus 27,500 would be the new total daily catch report total. Currently, OMB Control No. 0648-0491 estimates 10,000 submissions of the daily catch report. With 27,500 reports under the expanded catch report requirement, there is a total increase of 28 reports per vessel (increase of 17,500 reports divided by 620 vessels). At 2 minutes per response, the increase in time per vessel would be 56 minutes per vessel, or 584 hours. The cost increase per vessel would be \$22.12 (28 reports * \$0.79 per report), for a total cost increase of \$13,825.

PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT CHANGE WORKSHEET

Agency/Subagency	OMB Control Number _____ - _____	
<i>Enter only items that change</i>		
	Current record	New record
Agency form number (s)		
Annual reporting and recordkeeping hour burden		
Number of respondents		
Total annual responses		
Percent of these responses collected electronically	%	%
Total annual hours		
Difference		
Explanation of difference		
Program change		
Adjustment		
Annual reporting and recordkeeping cost burden (in thousands of dollars)		
Total annualized Capital/Startup costs		
Total annual costs (O&M)		
Total annualized cost requested		
Difference		
Explanation of difference		
Program change		
Adjustment		
Other changes**		
Signature of Senior Official or designee:	Date:	For OIRA Use _____ _____

** This form cannot be used to extend an expiration date.