

for issuing these determinations 50 days (i.e., until July 26, 2000).

This extension is in accordance with section 733(c) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.205(b)(2).

Dated: April 7, 2000.

**Joseph A. Spetrini,**

*Acting Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

[I.D. 040700L2]

### Submission For OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce 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 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

**Agency:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

**Title:** Socioeconomic Monitoring Program for the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary.

**Form Number(s):** None.

**OMB Approval Number:** None.

**Type of Request:** New collection.

**Burden Hours:** 725.

**Number of Respondents:** 788.

**Avg Hours Per Response:** 20 minutes to 10 hours depending on requirement.

**Needs and Uses:** The Management Plan for the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary (FKNMS) established 18 Sanctuary Preservation Areas (SPAs) and one Ecological Reserve (ER) that are "no take" zones. In creating these special zones, socioeconomic impact analyses, as well as other analyses, were done as required under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

However, many of the benefits and costs identified in these analyses are speculative in nature and therefore an uncertainty about benefits and costs. In response to public concerns about the socioeconomic impacts of many of the FKNMS management plan and especially the "no take" zones, a socioeconomic element was included in the ecological monitoring program. The information collected will help monitor the financial performance of the commercial fishing operations that were displaced from the "no take" zones to test the hypotheses that there are short term losses and/or long term gains to commercial fishermen and monitor the use, perceptions of users as to quality of the SPAs and ERs, and changes in market and economic values associated

with SPA and ER uses to test that user conflicts were resolved and/or that there would be both short term and long term gains to non-consumptive users and net gains to the local economy.

**Affected Public:** Individuals or households and businesses or other for-profit organizations.

**Frequency:** Annually.

**Respondent's Obligation:** Voluntary.

**OMB Desk Officer:** David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, DOC Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482-3272, Department of Commerce, Room 5027, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at [LEngelme@doc.gov](mailto:LEngelme@doc.gov)).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: April 4, 2000.

**Linda Engelmeier,**

*Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

[I.D. 040700LE]

### Submission For OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce 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 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

**Agency:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA).

**Title:** South Florida Artificial and Natural Reefs-Economic Valuation Study.

**Form Number(s):** None.

**OMB Approval Number:** None.

**Type of Request:** New collection.

**Burden Hours:** 2,733.

**Number of Respondents:** 9,600.

**Average Hours Per Response:** 4 minutes to 1 hour depending on requirement.

**Needs and Uses:** The Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary, along with the State of Florida, manage coastal and ocean resources. This study involves artificial and natural reefs off the coasts of southeast Florida. NOAA, the four south Florida counties (Broward,

Miami-Dade, Monroe and Palm Beach) and the State of Florida have formed a partnership and are funding a study to estimate the market economic impact (e.g., sales/output, income and employment) and non-market economic value (consumer's surplus) of both artificial and natural reefs in south Florida. The State of Florida has an artificial reef program in which each coastal county can participate. Each county can apply for state funds to place artificial reefs off the coasts of their county and private groups wanting to sink artificial reefs can also participate. The counties and the State of Florida are under increasing pressure to add new artificial reefs and economic justification is required.

**Affected Public:** Individuals or households and businesses or other for-profit organizations.

**Frequency:** One-time.

**Respondent's Obligation:** Voluntary.

**OMB Desk Officer:** David Rostker, (202) 395-3897.

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by calling or writing Linda Engelmeier, DOC Forms Clearance Officer, (202) 482-3272, Department of Commerce, Room 5027, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230 (or via the Internet at [lengelme@doc.gov](mailto:lengelme@doc.gov)).

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent within 30 days of publication of this notice to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: April 5, 2000.

**Linda Engelmeier,**

*Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D.040300B]

### Marine Mammals; File No. 526-1523-00

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

**ACTION:** Receipt of application.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Allied Whale, College of the Atlantic, 105 Eden Street, Bar Harbor, ME 04609 (Principal Investigator: Sean K. Todd, Ph.D.), has applied in due form for a permit to take humpback whale

(*Megaptera novaeangliae*), finback whale (*Balaenoptera physalus*), and minke whale (*Galeorhinus galeus*) for purposes of scientific research.

**DATES:** Written or telefaxed comments must be received on or before May 15, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130,

Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289); and

Northeast Region, NMFS, One Blackburn Drive, Gloucester, MA 01930, (978/281-9250).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ruth Johnson, 301/713-2289.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972, as amended (MMPA; 16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), the Regulations Governing the Taking and Importing of Marine Mammals (50 CFR part 216), the Endangered Species Act of

1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR 222-226).

The applicant proposes to continue and extend photo-identification and biopsy sampling program of large whales. The following table outlines the animals to be taken and types of take requested annually primarily in the Gulf of Maine and occasionally from the New York Bight to the U.S./Canada border.

Species	# Photo-ID	#Animals Biopsy Sampled	#Takes per animal	#Incidental harassment of target species	#Biopsy samples Import/ Canada
Humpback whale .....	200	50	5	300	50
Finback whale .....	200	50	5	400	50
Minke whale .....	50	15	5	75	50

Non-Target Species	# Non-Target Animals Incidentally harassed
Harbor porpoise .....	Unlimited
Atlantic white-sided dolphin .....	"
Harbor seal .....	"
Gray seal .....	"

In compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (42 U.S.C. 4321 *et seq.*), an initial determination has been made that the activity proposed is categorically excluded from the requirement to prepare an environmental assessment or environmental impact statement.

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this application should be mailed to the Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

Comments may also be submitted by facsimile at (301) 713-0376, provided the facsimile is confirmed by hard copy submitted by mail and postmarked no later than the closing date of the comment period. Please note that comments will not be accepted by e-mail or by other electronic media.

Concurrent with the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**, NMFS is forwarding copies of this application to the Marine Mammal

Commission and its Committee of Scientific Advisors.

Dated: April 4, 2000.

**Ann D. Terbush,**  
Chief, Permits and Documentation Division,  
Office of Protected Resources, National  
Marine Fisheries Service.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 040300D]

#### Marine Mammals; File No. 522-1569

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

**ACTION:** Receipt of application.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given that Randall S. Wells, Ph.D., Sarasota Dolphin Research Program, c/o Mote Marine Laboratory, 1600 Ken Thompson Parkway, Sarasota, Florida 34236, has applied in due form for a permit to take bottlenose dolphins (*Tursiops*

*truncatus*) for purposes of scientific research.

**DATES:** Written or telefaxed comments must be received on or before May 15, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** The application and related documents are available for review upon written request or by appointment in the following office(s):

Permits and Documentation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13130, Silver Spring, MD 20910 (301/713-2289); and

Regional Administrator, Southeast Region, NMFS, 9721 Executive Center Drive, St. Petersburg, FL 33702-2432 (727/570-5312).

Written comments or requests for a public hearing on this application should be mailed to the Chief, Permits and Documentation Division, F/PR1, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, 1315 East-West Highway, Room 13705, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Those individuals requesting a hearing should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this particular request would be appropriate.

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