documents are lengthy and would likely not be familiar to many interested parties. Finally, NMFS does not anticipate that the comment period extension will delay its decision of whether to issue an IHA.

Background information concerning the proposed IHA can be found in the Federal Register notice and is not repeated here. For additional information about the IHA application and associated EA, please visit the website at: http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/ pr/permits/incidental.htm

Dated: January 12, 2009.

James H. Lecky,

Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. E9-981 Filed 1-15-09; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XM73

National Marine Fisheries Service; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of a public workshop.

SUMMARY: NMFS will hold a workshop for participants that are required to submit an Economic Data Report for the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Crab Rationalization Program.

DATES: The workshop will be held on Thursday, January 22, 2009, from 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. Pacific Standard Time. **ADDRESSES:** The workshop will be held at the Pacific Seafood Processors Association office, 1900 W. Emerson Place, 1205, Seattle, WA 98119.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Brian Garber-Yonts; (206) 526-6301 or brian.garber-yonts@noaa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands (BSAI) Crab Rationalization Program requires any owner or leaseholder of a vessel or processing plant that harvested or processed crab in certain BSAI fisheries to submit an Economic Data Report (EDR) for the previous calendar year. NMFS staff will hold a workshop with BSAI crab industry members to review current crab EDR data documentation and data quality findings. Workshop participants will also discuss the development of best practices guidelines for completing crab EDR forms and discuss possible revisions to

the current crab EDR forms. For further information on the Crab Rationalization Program, please visit the NMFS Alaska Region website at http:// www.alaskafisheries.noaa.gov.

Special Accommodations

This workshop is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for special accommodations should be directed to Brian Garber-Yonts (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION **CONTACT**) at least 5 working days before the workshop date.

Dated: January 13, 2009.

Tracey L. Thompson,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. E9-921 Filed 1-15-09; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510-22-S

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XM70

North Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The North Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) and its advisory committees will hold public meetings.

DATES: The meetings will be held Monday, February 2 through Tuesday, February 10, 2009. See SUPPLEMENTARY **INFORMATION** for specific dates and

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Renaissance Hotel, 515 Madison Street, Seattle, WA.

Council address: North Pacific Fishery Management Council, 605 W. 4th Avenue, Suite 306, Anchorage, AK 99501-2252.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David Witherell, Council staff, telephone: (907) 271-2809.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Council will begin its plenary session at 8 a.m. on Wednesday, February 4 continuing through Tuesday, February 10, 2009. The Council's Advisory Panel (AP) will begin at 8 a.m., Monday, February 2 and continue through Friday, February 6. The Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) will begin at 8 a.m. on Monday, February 2 and continue through Wednesday, February

4, 2009. The Ecosystem Committee will meet Tuesday, February 3, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. The Enforcement Committee will meet Tuesday, February 3, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the. The Comprehensive Data Collection Committee may also meet this week at the hotel, time TBA. All meetings are open to the public, except executive sessions.

Council Plenary Session: The agenda for the Council's plenary session will include the following issues. The Council may take appropriate action on any of the issues identified.

1. Reports

Executive Director's Report NMFS Management Report NMFS Enforcement Report Alaska Department of Fish & Game

Report

U.S. Coast Guard Report U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Report International Pacific Halibut Commission Report

Protected Species Report (update on schedule of Steller Sea Lion (SSL) draft Status Quo Biological Opinion (BiOp) and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS); Bering Sea and Aleutian Island (BSAI) Pacific cod split.

2. American Fisheries Act (AFA) Cooperative reports: Receive reports from BSAI Pollock cooperatives.

- 3. Arctic Fishery Management Plan (FMP): Final action to adopt FMP for the Arctic region.
- 4. Salmon Bycatch: Review Inter-Cooperative Agreement (ICA) incentive proposals and Bycatch Committee Report.
- 5. Amendment 80: Initial review of analysis for Amendment 80 Cooperative Formation.
- 6. BSAI Fixed Gear: Initial review of BSAI fixed gear parallel fisheries analysis.
- 7. Gulf of Alaska (GOA) Sideboards: Discussion paper on GOA Sideboards for AFA catcher vessels: Initial review of GOA Pacific cod sideboards for crab
- 8. BSAI Crab Issues: Initial review BSAI Crab Regional Delivery Relief; Receive Committee report; Receive proposed workplan and timeline for crab analysis/discussion papers for changes to the program, and action as necessary; Receive progress report on Crab Economic Data Report (EDR) survevs.
- 9. Marine Protection Act Nomination Process: Review NMFS letter and discuss next steps (T).
- 10. Halibut/Sablefish Issues: Review/ Rescind previous action to remove inactive Individual Fishing Quota (IFQ) shares; Review halibut catch sharing plan discussion papers (SSC only): (i)

Maximum size limit analysis (ii) ADF&G charter halibut harvest projection methodology.

- 11. Miscellaneous Issues: Receive Committee report on comprehensive data collection; Review of Halibut Prohibited Species Catch (PSC) Discard Survival Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP); Review of halibut sorting EFP (T); Review discussion paper on BS bottom trawl sweeps; Review discussion paper on GOA Rockfish Program changes; Review revised discussion paper on AI Pacific cod processing sideboards (T).
- 12. Staff Tasking: Review Committees and tasking; Receive report on Alaska Native/Community Outreach.
 - 13. Other Business.

The SSC agenda will include the following issues:

- 1. Arctic FMP
- 2. Salmon Bycatch
- 3. Amendment 80
- 4. BSAI Fixed gear
- 5. GOA Sideboards
- 6. BSAI Crab Issues
- 7. Halibut Catch Sharing plan
- 8. Committee report on Crab EDR surveys
 - 9. Halibut PSC discard survival EFP 10. Halibut sorting EFP

Additionally, the SSC will hold a Science Workshop on the role of Stock Structure in management of commercial fisheries.

The Advisory Panel will address most of the same agenda issues as the Council, except for 11 reports. The Agenda is subject to change, and the latest version will be posted at http://www.fakr.noaa.gov/npfmc/.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Gail Bendixen at (907) 271–2809 at least 7 working days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: January 13, 2009.

Tracey L. Thompson,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. E9–864 Filed 1–15–09; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

[Docket ID: DoD-2008-OS-0091]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

ACTION: Notice.

The Department of Defense has submitted to OMB for clearance, the following proposal for collection of information under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35).

DATES: Consideration will be given to all comments received by February 6, 2009.

Title, Form, and OMB Number: National Language Service Corps; DD Test Forms 2932, 2933, 2934 and 2935; OMB Number 0704–0449.

Type of Request: Extension.

 $Number\ of\ Respondents: 4,000.$

Responses per Respondent: 1.75.

Annual Responses: 7,000.

Average Burden per Response: 18.86 minutes.

Annual Burden Hours: 2,200.

Needs and Uses: The information collection requirement is necessary to identify individuals with language and special skills who potentially qualify for employment or service opportunities in the public section during periods of national need or emergency.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: On occasion.

Respondent's Obligation: Voluntary.

OMB Desk Officer: Ms. Jasmeet Seehra

Written comments and recommendations on the proposed information collection should be sent to Ms. Seehra at the Office of Management and Budget, Desk Officer for DoD, Room 10236, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

You may also submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by the following method:

• Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

Instructions: All submissions received must include the agency name, docket number and title for this **Federal**Register document. The general policy for comments and other submissions from members of the public is to make these submissions available for public viewing on the Internet at http://www.regulations.gov as they are received without change, including any personal identifiers or contact information.

DoD Clearance Officer: Ms. Patricia Toppings.

Written requests for copies of the information collection proposal should be sent to Ms. Toppings at WHS/ESD/Information Management Division, 1777 North Kent Street, RPN, Suite 11000, Arlington, VA 22209–2133.

Dated: January 8, 2009.

Patricia L. Toppings,

OSD Federal Register, Liaison Officer, Department of Defense.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

Defense Science Board

ACTION: Department of Defense. **ACTION:** Notice of advisory committee meetings.

SUMMARY: The Defense Science Board will meet in closed session on February 4 and 5, 2009; at the Pentagon, Arlington, VA.

The mission of the Defense Science Board is to advise the Secretary of Defense and the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology & Logistics on scientific and technical matters as they affect the perceived needs of the Department of Defense. At this meeting, the Board will discuss interim finding and recommendations resulting from ongoing Task Force activities. The Board will also discuss plans for future consideration of scientific and technical aspects of specific strategies, tactics, and policies as they may affect the U.S. national defense posture and homeland security.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Debra Rose, Executive Officer, Defense Science Board, 3140 Defense Pentagon, Room 3B888A, Washington, DC 20301–3140, via e-mail at debra.rose@osd.mil, or via phone at (703) 571–0084.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

In accordance with section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law No. 92-463, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. 2) and 41 CFR 102-3.155, the Department of Defense has determined that these Defense Science Board Quarterly meetings will be closed to the public. Specifically, the Under Secretary of Defense (Acquisition, Technology and Logistics), with the coordination of the DoD Office of General Counsel, has determined in writing that all sessions of these meetings will be closed to the public because they will be concerned throughout with matters listed in 5 U.S.C. 552b(c)(1).

Interested persons may submit a written statement for consideration by the Defense Science Board. Individuals submitting a written statement must submit their statement to the Designated Federal Official at the address detailed above, at any point, however, if a