aids should be directed to the SEDAR office (see **ADDRESSES**) at least 10 business days prior to the meeting.

Note: The times and sequence specified in this agenda are subject to change.

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

Dated: August 11, 2015.

Tracey L. Thompson,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Availability of Seats for National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Councils

AGENCY: Office of National Marine Sanctuaries (ONMS), National Ocean Service (NOS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Notice and request for applications.

SUMMARY: ONMS is seeking applications for vacant seats for seven of its 13 national marine sanctuary advisory councils (advisory councils). Vacant seats, including positions (*i.e.,* primary member and alternate), for each of the advisory councils are listed in this notice under Supplementary Information. Applicants are chosen based upon their particular expertise and experience in relation to the seat for which they are applying; community and professional affiliations; views regarding the protection and management of marine or Great Lake resources; and possibly the length of residence in the area affected by the sanctuary. Applicants who are chosen as members or alternates should expect to serve two- or three year terms, pursuant to the charter of the specific national marine sanctuary advisory council.

DATES: Applications are due by September 30, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Application kits are specific to each advisory council. As such, application kits must be obtained from and returned to the council-specific addresses noted below.

- Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Michael Murray, Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary, University of California Santa Barbara, Ocean Science Education Building 514, MC 6155, Santa Barbara, CA 93106–6155; (805) 893–6418; email *Michael.Murray@noaa.gov;* or download application from *http://channelislands.noaa.gov/sac/council_news.html.*
- Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Lilli Ferguson, Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary, P.O. Box 159, Olema, CA 94950; (415) 464–5265; email *Lilli.Ferguson@noaa.gov;* or download application from *http://cordellbank.noaa.gov.*
- Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Beth Dieveney, Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary, 33 East Quay Rd., Key West, FL 33040; (305) 809–4700 extension 228; email *Beth.Dieveney@noaa.gov;* or download application from *http://floridakeys.noaa.gov/sac/welcome.html?s=sac.*
- Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Becky Shortland, Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary, 10 Ocean Science Circle, Savannah, GA 31411; (912) 598–2381; email *Becky.Shortland@noaa.gov;* or download application from *http://graysreef.noaa.gov/management/sac/council_news.html.*
- Monitor National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Katherine Van Dam, Monitor National Marine Sanctuary, 100 Museum Drive, Newport News, VA 23606; (757) 591–7350; email *Katherine.VanDam@noaa.gov;* or download application from *http://monitor.noaa.gov/advisory/news.html.*
- Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Erin Ovalle, Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, 99 Pacific St., Building 455A, Monterey, CA; (831) 647–4206; email *Erin.Ovalle@noaa.gov;* or download application from *http://montereybay.noaa.gov/welcome.html.*
- Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Nathalie Ward, Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary, 175 Edward Foster Road, Scituate, MA 02066; (781) 545–8026 extension 206; email *Nathalie.Ward@noaa.gov;* or download application from *http://stellwagen.noaa.gov.*

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information on a particular national marine sanctuary advisory council, please contact the individual identified in the Addresses section of this notice.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: ONMS serves as the trustee for 14 marine protected areas encompassing more than 170,000 square miles of ocean and Great Lakes waters from the Hawaiian Islands to the Florida Keys, and from Lake Huron to American Samoa. National marine sanctuaries protect our Nation's most vital coastal and marine natural and cultural resources, and through active research, management, and public engagement, sustains healthy environments that are the foundation for thriving communities and stable economies. One of the many ways ONMS ensures public participation in the designation and management of national marine sanctuaries is through the formation of advisory councils. National marine sanctuary advisory councils are community-based advisory groups established to provide advice and recommendations to the superintendents of the national marine sanctuaries on issues including management, science, service, and stewardship; and to serve as liaisons between their constituents in the community and the sanctuary. Additional information on ONMS and its advisory councils can be found at *http://sanctuaries.noaa.gov.* Information related to the purpose, policies and operational requirements for advisory councils can be found in the charter for a particular advisory council (*http://sanctuaries.noaa.gov/management/ac/council_charters.html*) and the National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council Implementation Handbook (*http://www.sanctuaries.noaa.gov/management/ac/acref.html*).

The following is a list of the vacant seats, including positions (*i.e.,* primary member or alternate), for each of the advisory councils currently seeking applications for members and alternates:

Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Public At-large (alternate).

Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Community-At-Large—Sonoma County (primary member); Community-A-Large—Sonoma County (alternate); Conservation (primary member); Conservation (alternate); Maritime Activities (primary member); and Maritime Activities (alternate).

Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Conservation and Environment (primary member); Education and Outreach (primary member); Education and Outreach (alternate); Fishing—Commercial—Shell/Scale (primary member); Fishing—Commercial—Shell/Scale (alternate); Submerged and Cultural Resources (primary member); Submerged and Cultural Resources (alternate); Tourism—Upper Keys (primary member); and Tourism—Upper Keys (alternate).

Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Charter/Commercial Fishing (primary member); Conservation (primary member); K–12 Education (primary member); Non-

living Resources Research (primary member); and Sport fishing (primary member).

Monitor National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Commercial/Recreational Fishing (primary member).

Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: At-Large (alternate).

Stellwagen Bank National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council: Business/Industry (primary member); Mobile Gear Commercial Fishing (alternate); Recreational Fishing (alternate); Research (alternate); Whale Watch (alternate); Youth (alternate).

Authority: 16 U.S.C. Sections 1431, *et seq.*

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Dated: July 20, 2015.

John Armor,

Acting Director, Office of National Marine Sanctuaries, National Ocean Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648–XE105

Pacific Island Fisheries; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice; public meetings.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces that the Center for Independent Experts (CIE) will meet to review the work quantifying bycatch in the Hawaii deep-set longline fishery, required by the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act), Endangered Species Act, Marine Mammal Protection Act, and Migratory Bird Treaty Act, and their implementing regulations.

DATES: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for meeting dates and times.

ADDRESSES: The meeting location is in Room 204, Hemenway Hall, University of Hawaii, 2445 Campus Road, Honolulu, HI 96822.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christofer H. Boggs, (808) 725–5364, or *Christofer.Boggs@noaa.gov.*

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The meeting schedule and agenda are as follows:

1. Monday, August 24, 2015 (8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.)

- Introduction
- Background information—Objectives and Terms of Reference
- Observer Program and Longline Fishery
- Review of Sampling Design
- Review of Approximation of Inclusion Probabilities
- Panel Questions and Answers
- Panel Discussions and Writing (Closed)

2. Tuesday, August 25, 2015 (8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.)

- Review of Point Estimators of Bycatch
- Review of Interval Estimators
- Panel Questions and Answers
- Panel Discussions and Writing (Closed)

3. Wednesday, August 26, 2015 (8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.)

- Review of Estimators of Dead and Seriously Injured (marine mammals)
- Review of Estimators of Subpopulation Totals
- Panel Questions and Answers
- Public Comment
- Panel Discussions and Writing (Closed)

4. Thursday, August 27, 2015 (8:30 a.m.–4 p.m.)

- Panel Discussions (Closed meeting, invitation only)

5. Friday, August 28, 2015 (8:30 a.m.–Noon)

- Panel Discussions and Present Results
- Adjourn

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come up at the meeting for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during the meeting. 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 intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Direct requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids to Christofer Boggs, (808) 725–5364 or *Christofer.Boggs@noaa.gov,* at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: August 10, 2015.

Alan D. Risenhoover,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Commerce will submit 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: Socio-economics of Whale Watching in the Channel Islands Region: Survey of Whale Watching Passengers.

OMB Control Number: 0648–xxxx.

Form Number(s): None.

Type of Request: Regular (request for a new information collection).

Number of Respondents: 1,560.

Average Hours per Response: On-site survey, 20 minutes; mail-back survey, 15 minutes.

Burden Hours: 654.

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

NOAA is sponsoring a class project at the Bren School of Management & Science at the University of California, Santa Barbara to estimate the market and non-market economic values associated with the reduction in risk of whale strikes by different scenarios of changes in traffic lanes and/or vessel speeds for major commercial vessels operating in the region of southern California where the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary is located. Surveys will be conducted of the passengers aboard the for hire operation boats to obtain their market and non-market economic use values for the reduction in the risk of whale strikes. Additional information will be obtained on importance-satisfaction ratings of key natural resource attributes, facilities and services along with demographic profiles of passengers. This survey is a companion piece to a survey of the for-hire operators, approved under OMB Control No. 0648–0717, approved on 7/1/2015.

Affected Public: Individuals or households.

Frequency: One time.