

rockfish to one fish, the establishment of voluntary no-take marine reserves, and the 2004 regulation restricting spear and recreational fishing for rockfish to periods when fisheries are open for lingcod and hatchery Chinook salmon. We recognize that the petitioner believes that WDFW could enact regulations to further protect Puget Sound rockfish stocks. However, the fishing regulations the petitioner criticizes represent a reduction from previous fishing levels, and do not portend an increasing threat due to fishing bycatch and mortality.

The petitioner is particularly concerned that the production of hatchery Chinook salmon in Puget Sound negatively affects rockfish stocks through the competition for limited food resources. The petitioner also feels that harvest directed at hatchery Chinook salmon results in significant bycatch of rockfish. However, he has presented no information in the petition to provide support for these contentions.

#### Petition Finding

After reviewing the information contained in the petition, as well as information readily available to our scientists, we determine that the petition fails to present substantial scientific or commercial information indicating the petitioned actions may be warranted.

#### References Cited

A complete list of all references is available upon request from the Protected Resources Division of the NMFS Northwest Regional Office (see **ADDRESSES**).

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*

Dated: October 1, 2007.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section of the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT); Fall Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** In preparation for the 2007 International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) meeting, the Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section to the ICCAT will meet in October 2007.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held October 18-19, 2007. There will be an open session the morning of Thursday October 18, 2007, beginning at 8:30 a.m. thru 12 p.m. The remainder of the meeting will be closed to the public. Oral and written comments can be presented during the public comment session on October 18, 2006. Mailed written comments on issues being considered at the meeting should be received no later than October 12, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 8777 Georgia Avenue, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Written comments should be sent to Kelly Denit at NOAA Fisheries Office of International Affairs, Room 12622, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kelly Denit, Office of International Affairs, 301-713-2276.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Advisory Committee to the U.S. Section to ICCAT will meet in open session on October 18. The Advisory Committee will receive management and research related information on the stock status of highly migratory species, including management recommendations of ICCAT's Standing Committee on Research and Statistics. There will be an opportunity for oral public comment during the October 18, 2007, open session. Written comments may also be submitted at the October 18 open session or by mail. If mailed, written comments should be received by October 12, 2007 (see **ADDRESSES**).

During its fall meeting, the Advisory Committee will also hold two executive sessions that are closed to the public. The first executive session will be held on October 18, 2007, and a second executive session will be held on October 19, 2007. The purpose of these sessions is to discuss sensitive information relating to upcoming international negotiations.

#### Special Accommodations

The meeting locations are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kelly Denit at (301) 713-2276 by at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: October 1, 2007.

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## DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

### GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

### NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION

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#### Federal Acquisition Regulation; Submission for OMB Review; Contract Financing

**AGENCIES:** Department of Defense (DOD), General Services Administration (GSA), and National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comments regarding an extension to an existing OMB clearance (9000-0138).

**SUMMARY:** Under the provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Secretariat has submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) a request to review and approve an extension to a currently approved information collection requirement concerning contract financing. A request for public comments was published in the **Federal Register** at 72 FR 31815, June 8, 2007. No comments were received.

**Public comments are particularly invited on:** Whether this collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of functions of the FAR, and whether it will have practical utility; whether our estimate of the public burden of this collection of information is accurate, and based on valid assumptions and methodology; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways in which we can minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, through the use of appropriate technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

**DATES:** Submit comments on or before November 5, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden to: FAR Desk Officer, OMB, Room 10102, NEOB, Washington, DC