

**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

RIN 0648-XD18

**Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Salmon Technical Team (STT), Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) Salmon Subcommittee, and Model Evaluation Workgroup (MEW) will hold a joint work session to review proposed salmon methodology changes, which is open to the public.

**DATES:** The work session will be held Wednesday, October 24, 2007, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursday, October 25, 2007, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The work session will be held at the Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220-1384; telephone: (503) 820-2280.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Chuck Tracy, Salmon Management Staff Officer, Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: (503) 820-2280.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the work session is to brief the STT and SSC Salmon Subcommittee on proposed changes to methods and standards used to manage ocean salmon fisheries, review a genetic stock identification research and exempted fishing permit proposal and, to review proposed modifications to the Chinook and Coho Fishery Regulation Assessment Models (FRAM).

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may come before the STT, SSC Salmon Subcommittee, and MEW for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this 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 Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the intent to take final action to address the emergency.

**Special Accommodations**

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for

sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Ms. Carolyn Porter at (503) 820-2280 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: October 3, 2007.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*  
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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE****Patent and Trademark Office****Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

The United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) 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:* United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), Department of Commerce.

*Title:* United States Patent Applicant Survey.

*Form Number(s):* None. The surveys contained in this information collection do not have USPTO form numbers assigned to them. When the surveys are approved, they will carry the OMB Control Number and the date on which OMB's approval of the information collection expires.

*Agency Approval Number:* 0651-0052.

*Type of Request:* Extension of a currently approved collection.

*Burden:* 140 hours annually.

*Number of Respondents:* 400 responses per year with an estimated 267 responses filed electronically.

*Average Hours Per Response:* The USPTO estimates that it will take the public 30 minutes (0.50 hours) to complete the surveys, with the exception of the surveys for the independent inventors, which are estimated to take 15 minutes (0.25 hours) to complete. This includes the time to gather the necessary information, respond to the surveys, and submit them to the USPTO. The USPTO believes that it will take the same amount of time to respond to the surveys, whether they are completed online or mailed to the USPTO.

*Needs and Uses:* The USPTO developed the United States Patent Applicant Survey as part of a continuing effort to better predict the future growth of patent application filings by understanding applicant intentions. The main purpose of this survey is to

determine the number of application filings that the USPTO can expect to receive over the next three years from patent-generating entities, ranging from large domestic corporations to independent inventors. The USPTO also uses this survey in response to the Senate Appropriations Report 106-404 (September 8, 2000), which directed the USPTO to "develop a workload forecast with advice from a representative sample of industry and the inventor community." There are two versions of the survey: one for large domestic corporations and small and medium-sized businesses and one for universities, non-profit research organizations, and independent inventors. The large domestic corporations, small and medium-sized businesses, universities, non-profit research organizations, and independent inventors responding to these surveys will provide the USPTO with the number of application filings that they plan to submit, in addition to providing general feedback concerning industry trends and the survey itself. The USPTO will use this feedback to anticipate demand and estimate future revenue flow more reliably; to identify input and output triggers and allocate resources to meet and understand customer needs; and to reassess output and capacity goals and re-align organization quality control measures with applicant demand by division.

*Affected Public:* Businesses or other for-profits and not-for-profit institutions.

*Frequency:* On occasion.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

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

Copies of the above information collection proposal can be obtained by any of the following:

*E-mail:* [Susan.Fawcett@uspto.gov](mailto:Susan.Fawcett@uspto.gov). Include "0651-0052 copy request" in the subject line of the message.

*Fax:* 571-273-0112, marked to the attention of Susan K. Fawcett.

*Mail:* Susan K. Fawcett, Records Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Customer Information Services Group, Public Information Services Division, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Written comments and recommendations for the proposed information collection should be sent on or before November 8, 2007 to David Rostker, OMB Desk Officer, Room 10202, New Executive Office Building, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503.

Dated: October 2, 2007.

**Susan K. Fawcett,**

*Records Officer, USPTO, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Customer Information Services Group, Public Information Services Division.*

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## **CORPORATION FOR NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE**

### **Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request**

**AGENCY:** Corporation for National and Community Service.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Corporation for National and Community Service (hereinafter the "Corporation"), as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, conducts a pre-clearance consultation program to provide the general public and Federal agencies with an opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing collections of information in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA95) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program helps to ensure that requested data can be provided in the desired format, reporting burden (time and financial resources) is minimized, collection instruments are clearly understood, and the impact of collection requirement on respondents can be properly assessed.

Currently, the Corporation is soliciting comments concerning the proposed renewal of its AmeriCorps\*VISTA Project Application and Instructions (OMB Control Number 3045-0038).

This reinstatement with changes reflects the Corporation's intent to modify selected sections of the collection instrument to better capture appropriate information for use in selecting organizations to serve as VISTA sponsors, while reducing applicant burden.

**DATES:** Written comments must be submitted to the office listed in the **ADDRESSES** section December 10, 2007.

**ADDRESSES:** You may submit comments, identified by the title of the information collection activity, by any of the following methods:

(1) By mail sent to: Corporation for National and Community Service, Attn. Paul Davis, Director of Program Development, Room 9107, 1201 New York Avenue, NW., Washington, DC 20525.

(2) By hand delivery or by courier to the Corporation's mailroom at Room

8100 at the mail address given in paragraph (1) above, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.

(3) By fax to: (202) 565-2789, Attention Mr. Paul Davis, Director of Program Management.

(4) Electronically through the Corporation's e-mail address system: [pdavis@cns.gov](mailto:pdavis@cns.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Paul Davis, (202) 606-6608 or by e-mail at [pdavis@cns.gov](mailto:pdavis@cns.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Corporation is particularly interested in comments which:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Corporation, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;
- Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and,
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology (e.g., permitting electronic submissions of responses).

### **Background**

The AmeriCorps\*VISTA Project Application and Instructions is used by the Corporation in the selection of VISTA sponsors and in the approval of both new and renewing VISTA projects. The information collection consists of a brief Concept Paper, and, if the Concept Paper is approved, a full application including budget.

### **Current Action**

The Corporation seeks to revise the previously used Project Application to: (a) Better align the information requested on the Concept Paper and the Application; and (b) simplify the project plan while continuing to provide a robust tool for evaluating project performance.

*Type of Review:* Renewal.

*Agency:* Corporation for National and Community Service.

*Title:* AmeriCorps\*VISTA Project Application and Instructions.

*OMB Number:* 3045-0038.

*Agency Number:* None.

*Affected Public:* AmeriCorps\*VISTA project applicants and sponsoring organizations seeking project renewal.

*Total Respondents:* 3,200 for the concept paper; 1,000 for the full application.

*Frequency:* One time.

*Average Time per Response:* 2 hours for Concept Paper; 15 hours for application.

*Estimated Total Burden Hours:* 21,400 hours.

*Total Burden Cost (capital/startup):* None.

*Total Burden Cost (operating/maintenance):* None.

Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in the request for Office of Management and Budget approval of the information collection request; they will also become a matter of public record.

Dated: October 1, 2007.

**Jean Whaley,**

*Director, AmeriCorps\*VISTA.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**

### **Notice of Advisory Committee Closed Meeting**

**AGENCY:** Department of Defense.

**ACTION:** Notice of Advisory Committee Closed Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act of 1972 (5 U.S.C. App 2, section 1), the Sunshine in the Government Act of 1976 (5 U.S.C. 552b), and 41 CFR 102-3.150, the Department of Defense announces the following closed meeting notice pertaining to the following federal advisory committee. Due to events beyond the control of the Designated Federal Officer and the Transformation Advisory Group, the Committee was unable to publish its meeting notice in the **Federal Register** for the 15-calendar days required by 41 CFR 102-3.150(a). Accordingly, the Committee Management Officer for the Department of Defense, pursuant to 41 CFR 102-3.150(b), waives the 15-calendar day notification requirement

*Name of Committee:* Transformation Advisory Group.

*Date:* October 18, 2007; October 19, 2007.

*Time:* October 18, 2007-9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

October 19, 2007-9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

*Location:* Military Sealift Command Tower Conference Center, Bldg. 157, 914 Charles Morris Ct. SE., Washington Navy Yard, DC 20398.

*Purpose of the Meeting:* The purpose of the meeting is to obtain, review and evaluate