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## FW: Request for Comments on List of Gear by Fisheries - OMB CONTROL NO. 0648-0346

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Chris – we have reviewed the OMB information collection requirements and have no comments to provide regarding this request. Thanks! C

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Hi All,

On April 21, 2021, NOAA Fisheries published the List of Gear by Fisheries and Fishery Management Councils (List), OMB Control Number 0648-0346 (86 FR 20665) seeking a 3-year extension of the information collection requirements in the current rule. Under the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) guidance, in addition to requesting comments via the Federal Register, we must also directly ask for comments from non-agency persons impacted by the requirements.

Section 305(a) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act requires publication of the List, and prohibits any person from employing fishing gear or engaging in a fishery that is not on the List unless they provide 90 days advance written notice to the appropriate Regional Fishery Management Council or the Secretary of Commerce (Secretary) in the case of Atlantic Highly Migratory Species. These requirements mean that Councils have advance notice of fishing in their region outside of their fishery management plans, and have an opportunity to request the Secretary to take emergency action to prevent the activity.

I'm requesting you provide any comments to OMB on the information collection requirements for the List per the attached Federal Register Notice. The comment period ends on June 21, 2021.

It would also help us to receive a copy of your comments, which can be e-mailed to Chris Wright at [chris.wright@noaa.gov](mailto:chris.wright@noaa.gov). **If you have no comments, we would appreciate an email stating "No comment."**

If you have any questions or need more information, please let Chris (301-427-8570 or 240-342-1719) or me know.

Thanks,

Kelly

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