

The Commonwealth of Virginia has provided documentation indicating that the maximum total vessel population is estimated to be 3,563 vessels (2,115 in Sarah Creek and 1,448 in Perrin River), the majority of which are recreational. The most conservative vessel population estimates provided by the Commonwealth of Virginia suggest that there are 535 vessels less than 16 feet in length, 1,531 vessels between 16 feet and 25 feet in length, 1,263 vessels between 25 feet and 40 feet in length, and 234 vessels greater than 40 feet in length. Commercial traffic on these waterways is limited to 24–30 dead rise workboats, two large fiberglass fishing boats, three charter fishing boats, and a few small tugs that work at the oil refinery on the other side of the York River. Based on the number and size of vessels and EPA guidance for state and local officials, the estimated number of vessels requiring pumpout facilities in Sarah Creek and Perrin River during peak occupancy is 221.

In the application, Virginia has certified that Sarah Creek and Perrin River require greater environmental protection than provided by currently applicable Federal regulations. Sarah Creek and Perrin River are tributaries to the York River, which drains into the Chesapeake Bay. All or portions of the proposed waters have been listed on current or previous Clean Water Act 303(d) lists of impaired waters by the state as impaired for shellfish harvesting due to fecal coliform. As such, many shellfish beds are restricted or closed. Both are also impaired for dissolved oxygen and aquatic plants (macrophytes). Establishing a no-discharge zone would contribute to: (1) Protecting tidal ecosystem services provided by these waterbodies, (2) restoring the restricted and closed shellfish beds in these areas, and (3) preventing further water quality degradation and loss of beneficial uses in these tributaries as well as in the York River.

Sarah Creek and Perrin River are used for a variety of activities, including boating, fishing, shellfish harvesting, oyster gardening, crabbing, water skiing, swimming and more. There are marinas, private piers, numerous vessel anchorages, public and private boat launch facilities, commercial seafood docks and a waterside restaurant. Local watermen are interwoven with the unique identity of the Chesapeake Bay, influencing its history, culture and economy. Furthermore, these waterbodies provide food, spawning grounds and/or habitat to approximately 33 threatened, endangered and rare species of plants and animals, including

the Atlantic sturgeon, loggerhead sea turtle and the northern diamond-backed terrapin.

The criteria for the EPA to make its decision are based on Section 312 of the Clean Water Act, 33 U.S.C. 1322, and EPA's implementing regulations found at 40 CFR 140.4. A detailed EPA guidance document entitled "Protecting Coastal Waters from Vessel and Marina Discharges: A Guide for State and Local Officials, Volume 1. Establishing No-Discharge Areas under § 312 of the Clean Water Act (EPA 842-B-94-004, August 1994)" provides additional detail and informs EPA's analysis. The two primary criteria upon which an affirmative decision is based are: (1) A certifying statement of need that the waters described in the application require greater environmental protection; and (2) demonstrating that there is a sufficient number of accessible boat sewage pumpout and dump station facilities available to the boating public, in lieu of direct discharge of treated sewage into the waters described in the application.

The EPA has made a tentative determination that sufficient pumpout stations exist in both Sarah Creek and Perrin River to service the vessel population and that the use of these facilities imposes minimal costs. In Sarah Creek, there is no charge to use the available pumpout facilities, while in Perrin River there is a \$5.00 fee per pumpout for non-slip holders, though the fee is waived with a small purchase at the marina store. The commercial vessels operating in Sarah Creek and Perrin River include 24–30 dead rise boats, two large fiberglass fishing boats, three charter fishing boats and a few small tugs. Depth at low tide at the pumpout facilities is between five and eight feet, which is comparable to the depths at the entrances to Sarah Creek and Perrin River. Vessels requiring greater depths than provided at the pumpout station would have difficulty entering the creek. Most commercial boats, such as local watermen's boats, generally do not have Marine Sanitation Devices (MSDs) installed and do not require a pumpout. As described in the state's application, two large fiberglass fishing boats in the Perrin River have MSDs. Additionally, a few small tug boats use the Perrin River as a staging area. These vessels likely have MSDs onboard, but also use porta-johns located on the barges. Of three charter fishing boats that are kept in Sarah Creek and operate primarily on the York River and Chesapeake Bay, two have porta-potties, while the third has an existing holding tank.

Based on the information above, the EPA hereby makes a tentative affirmative determination that adequate facilities for the safe and sanitary removal and treatment of sewage from all vessels are reasonably available for Sarah Creek and Perrin River and its tributaries such that the Commonwealth of Virginia may establish a vessel sewage no-discharge zone.

Dated: February 13, 2020.

**Cosmo Servidio,**

*Regional Administrator, Mid-Atlantic Region.*

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## ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-10006-44-Region 1]

### Notice of Availability of Draft NPDES Great Bay Total Nitrogen General Permit for Wastewater Treatment Facilities in New Hampshire; Reopening of Comment Period

**AGENCY:** Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

**ACTION:** Notice; reopening comment period.

**SUMMARY:** EPA issued a Notice of Availability of the draft National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Great Bay Total Nitrogen General Permit for Wastewater Treatment Facilities in New Hampshire, published in the **Federal Register** on January 7, 2020. This notice reopens the comment period through April 8, 2020. Comments submitted anytime between January 7, 2020 and April 8, 2020 will be accepted and considered.

**DATES:** The comment period for the draft general permit published January 7, 2020 (FR Doc. 2019-28510) (FRL-10003-91-Region 1) is reopened through April 8, 2020. All comments must be received on or before April 8, 2020.

**ADDRESSES:** Submit comments by one of the following methods:

- *Email:* [Cobb.Michael@epa.gov](mailto:Cobb.Michael@epa.gov)
- *Mail:* Michael Cobb, U.S. EPA—Region 1, 5 Post Office Square—Suite 100 (06-1), Boston, MA 02109-3912.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Additional information concerning the draft permit may be obtained, by appointment, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday excluding legal holidays from: Michael Cobb, Water Division, U.S. EPA, 5 Post Office Square—Suite 100, Boston, MA 02109-3912; telephone: 617-918-1369; email: [Cobb.Michael@epa.gov](mailto:Cobb.Michael@epa.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice reopens the public comment period established in the **Federal Register** issue of January 7, 2020 (FR Doc. 2019-28510) (FRL-10003-91-Region 1). In that notice, EPA announced the availability for public comment of its draft NPDES Great Bay Total Nitrogen General Permit for Wastewater Treatment Facilities in New Hampshire. All draft permit documents can be found at <https://www.epa.gov/npdes-permits/draft-great-bay-total-nitrogen-general-permit>. This reopening of the comment period is in response to requests received from several interested parties to extend the comment period.

Dated: February 27, 2020.

**Dennis Deziel,**

*Regional Administrator, Region 1.*

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[OMB 3060-0850; OMB 3060-0896; FRS 16546]

### Information Collections Being Reviewed by the Federal Communications Commission

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork burdens, and as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the following information collections. Comments are requested concerning: Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimate; ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and ways to further reduce the information collection burden on small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees.

The FCC may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless it

displays a currently valid Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number. No person shall be subject to any penalty for failing to comply with a collection of information subject to the PRA that does not display a valid OMB control number.

**DATES:** Written PRA comments should be submitted on or before May 11, 2020. If you anticipate that you will be submitting comments but find it difficult to do so within the period of time allowed by this notice, you should advise the contact listed below as soon as possible.

**ADDRESSES:** Direct all PRA comments to Cathy Williams, FCC, via email to [PRA@fcc.gov](mailto:PRA@fcc.gov) and to [Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov](mailto:Cathy.Williams@fcc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For additional information about the information collection, contact Cathy Williams at (202) 418-2918.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*OMB Control No.:* 3060-0850.

*Title:* Quick-Form Application for Authorization in the Ship, Aircraft, Amateur, Restricted and Commercial Operator, and General Mobile Radio Services, FCC Form 605.

*Form No.:* FCC Form 605.

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

*Respondents:* Individuals or households; business or other for-profit; not-for-profit institutions; state, local or tribal government.

*Number of Respondents/Responses:* 130,000 respondents; 130,000 responses.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 0.17 hours-0.44 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion reporting requirement; third party disclosure requirement, recordkeeping and other (5 and 10 years).

*Obligation to Respond:* Required to obtain or retain benefits. The statutory authority for this collection is contained in 47 CFR 1.913(a)(4).

*Total Annual Burden:* 57,218 hours.

*Total Respondent Cost:* \$2,676,700.

*Privacy Act Impact Assessment:* Yes.

*Nature and Extent of Confidentiality:* In general, there is no need for confidentiality. The Commission is required to withhold from disclosure certain information about the individual such as date of birth or telephone number.

*Needs and Uses:* FCC Form 605 application is a consolidated application form for Ship, Aircraft, Amateur, Restricted and Commercial Radio Operators, and General Mobile Radio Services and is used to collect licensing data for the Universal Licensing System. The Commission is requesting OMB approval for an

extension (no change in the reporting, recordkeeping and/or third party disclosure requirements). The Commission is making minor clarifications to the instructions on the main form and schedule B as well as a clarification to Item 3 on the main form.

The data collected on this form includes the Date of Birth for Commercial Operator licensees however this information will be redacted from public view.

The FCC uses the information in FCC Form 605 to determine whether the applicant is legally, technically, and financially qualified to obtain a license. Without such information, the Commission cannot determine whether to issue the licenses to the applicants that provide telecommunication services to the public, and therefore, to fulfill its statutory responsibilities in accordance with the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. Information provided on this form will also be used to update the database and to provide for proper use of the frequency spectrum as well as enforcement purposes.

*OMB Approval Number:* 3060-0896.

*Title:* Broadcast Auction Form Exhibits.

*Form Number:* N/A.

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

*Respondents:* Business or other-for-profit entities, not-for-profit institutions, State, local or tribal government.

*Number of Respondents and Responses:* 2,000 respondents and 5,350 responses.

*Estimated Hours per Response:* 0.5 hours-2 hours.

*Frequency of Response:* On occasion reporting requirement.

*Obligation to Respond:* Required to obtain or retain benefits. The statutory authority for this collection of information is contained in Sections 154(i) and 309 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.

*Annual Hour Burden:* 6,663 hours.

*Annual Cost Burden:* \$12,332,500.

*Nature and Extent of Confidentiality:* There is no need for confidentiality with this collection of information.

*Privacy Impact Assessment(s):* No impact(s).

*Needs and Uses:* The Commission's rules require that broadcast auction participants submit exhibits disclosing ownership, bidding agreements, bidding credit eligibility and engineering data. These data are used by Commission staff to ensure that applicants are qualified to participate in Commission auctions and to ensure that license winners are entitled to receive the new entrant