

- General Committee on Exploration and Production Oil field Equipment and Materials Standards.
  - 1B Oil Field V-Belting
  - 2A-WSD Planning, Designing and Constructing Fixed Offshore Platforms—Working Stress Design
  - 2A-LRFD Planning, Designing and Constructing Fixed Offshore Platforms—Load and Resistance Factor Design
  - 13C Drilling Fluid Processing Equipment (under development)
  - 13I Standard Procedure for Laboratory Testing Drilling Fluids
  - 13J Testing Heavy Brines
  - 14F Design and Installation of Electrical Systems for Offshore Production Platforms
  - 15LR Low Pressure Fiberglass Line Pipe
  - 15TR Fiberglass Tubing (under development)
  - 16A Specification for Drill Through Equipment
  - 16F Marine Drilling Riser Equipment (under development)
  - 16R Design, Rating and Testing Marine Drilling Riser Couplings (under development)
  - xxx Temperature Effects of Non-Metallics in Drill Through Equipment (under development)
  - 17D Subsea Wellhead and Christmas Tree Equipment
  - 17F Subsea Control Systems (under development)
  - 117H ROV Interfaces with Subsea Equipment (under development)
  - 17I Installation of Subsea Control Umbilicals (under development)
  - 17J Specification for Flexible Pipe (under development)
  - Drilling and Production Practices.
  - 27 Determining Permeability of Porous Media (to be combined with API 40)
  - 31 Standard Format For Electromagnetic Logs
  - 33 Standard Calibration & Format For Gamma Ray & Neutron Logs
  - 40 Core Analysis Procedures (to be combined with API 27)
  - 43 Evaluation of Well Perforator Systems
  - 44 Sampling Petroleum Reservoir Fluids
  - 45 Analysis of Oil Field Waters
  - 49 Drilling & Drill Stem Testing of Wells Containing Hydrogen Sulfide
  - 50 Protection of the Environment For Gas Processing Plant Operations
  - 51 Protection of the Environment For Production Operations
  - 53 Blowout Prevention Equipment Systems for Drilling Wells
  - 59 Well Control Operations
  - 64 Diverter System Equipment and Operations
  - 65 Standard Calibration of Gamma Ray Spectroscopy Logging Instruments and Format for K-U-Th Logs
  - 66 Exploration and Production Data Digital Interchange
  - D12A API Well Number & Standard State, County, Offshore Area Codes
  - Model Form of Offshore Operating Agreement
  - xx Well Servicing/Workover Operations Involving Hydrogen Sulfide (under development)
  - xx Rheology of Cross Linked Fracturing Fluids (under development)
  - 2T Planning, Designing and Constructing Tension Leg Platforms
  - 4F Drilling and Well Servicing Structures
  - 5A3 Thread Compounds for Casing, Tubing, and Line Pipe
  - 5A5 Field Inspection of New Casing, Tubing, and Plain End Drill Pipe
  - 5B Threading, Gaging, and Thread Inspection of Casing, Tubing, and Line Pipe Threads
  - 5C6 Welding Connectors to Pipe (under development)
  - 5C7 Recommended Practice for Coiled Tubing Operations in Oil & Gas Well Service (under development)
  - SD Drill Pipe
  - 5L Line Pipe
  - 5LC CRA Line Pipe
  - 5Ld CRA Clad or Lined Steel Pipe
  - 5L9 Unprimed External Fusion Bonded Epoxy Coating of Line Pipe (under development)
  - 6A Valves and Wellhead Equipment
  - 6AV1 Verification Test of Wellhead Surface Safety Valves and Underwater Safety Valves for Offshore Service (under development)
  - 6D Pipeline Valves (Steel Gate, Plug, Ball and Check Valves)
  - 7 Rotary Drill Stem Elements
  - 7A1 Testing of Thread Compound for Rotary Shouldered Connections
  - 7G Drill Stem Design and Operating Limits
  - 7K Drilling Equipment
  - 7L Procedures for Inspection, Maintenance, Repair and Remanufacture of Drilling Equipment
  - 8A Drilling and Production Hoisting Equipment
  - 8B Procedures for Inspection, Maintenance Repair, and Remanufacture of Hoisting Equipment
  - 8C Drilling and Production Hoisting Equipment (PSL 1 and PSL 2)
  - 9B Application, Care, and Use of Wire Rope for Oil Field Services
  - 10B Cement Testing (under development)
  - 11AX Subsurface Sucker Rod Pumps and Fittings
  - 11E Pumping Units
  - 11S Operating, Maintenance and Troubleshooting of Electric Submersible Pump Installations
  - 11S3 Electric Submersible Pump Installations
  - 11S4 Sizing and Selection of Electric Submersible Pump Installations
  - 500 Classification of Locations for Electrical Installations at Petroleum Facilities
  - xxx Oilfield Packers (under development)
  - xxx Inspection and Maintenance of Production Piping (under development)
  - 13B-1 Standard Procedure for Field Testing Water-Based Drilling Fluids
  - 13B-2 Standard Procedure for Field Testing Oil-Based Drilling Fluids
  - xx Evaluation of Cartridge Filters (E&P Operations) (under development)
  - xx Cargo Handling at Offshore Facilities (under development)
  - xx Long Term Conductivity Testing of Proppants (under development)
- ADDRESSES:** Jim Greer/Chuck Liles, Exploration & Production, American Petroleum Institute, 700 North Pearl, Suite 1840 (LB 382), Dallas, TX 75201-2845.
- FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Contact the following persons by writing for information on indicated standards at the above address: Jim Greer—API 6, 16 and 17 series standards; Chuck Liles—API Drilling and Production Practices; Mike Loudermilk—API 1B, 11, 12 and 14 series; Randy McGill—API 5 and 15 series; Jennifer Six—API 4, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 13 series; Mike Spanhel—API 2 series.
- Authority:** 15 U.S.C. 272.  
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- Samuel Kramer,**  
Associate Director.  
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- Proposed Withdrawal of Eighteen Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS)**
- AGENCY:** National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST), Commerce.  
**ACTION:** Notice; Request for comments.
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- SUMMARY:** The following Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) are proposed for withdrawal from the FIPS series:  
—FIPS 2-1, Perforated Tape Code for Information Interchange (ANSI X3.6-1965/R1991)

- FIPS 13, Rectangular Holes in Twelve-Row Punched Cards (ANSI X3.21–1967/R1991)
- FIPS 14–1, Hollerith Punched Card Code (ANSI X3.26–1980/R1991)
- FIPS 26, One-Inch Perforated Paper Tape for Information Interchange (ANSI X3.18–1967/R1990)
- FIPS 27, Take-Up Reels for One-Inch Perforated Tape for Information Interchange (ANSI X3.20–1967/R1990)
- FIPS 32–1, Character Sets for Optical Character Recognition (OCR) (ANSI X3.2–1970/R1976, X3.17–1981, and X3.49–1975/R1982)
- FIPS 33–1, Character Set for Handprinting (ANSI X3.45–1982)
- FIPS 40, Guideline for Optical Character Recognition Forms
- FIPS 54–1, Computer Output Microform (COM) Formats and Reduction Ratios, 16mm and 105mm (ANSI/AIIM MS5–1991 and MS14–1988)
- FIPS 82, Guideline for Inspection and Quality Control for Alphanumeric Computer-Output Microforms (ANSI/AIIM MS1–1980)
- FIPS 84, Microfilm Readers (ANSI/AIIM (NMA) MS20–1979)
- FIPS 85, Optical Character Recognition (OCR) Inks (ANSI X3.86–1980)
- FIPS 89, Optical Character Recognition (OCR) Character Positioning (ANSI X3.93M–1981)
- FIPS 90, Guideline for Optical Character Recognition (OCR) Print Quality (ANSI X3.99–1983)
- FIPS 107, Local Area Networks: Baseband Carrier Sense Multiple Access with Collision Detection Access Method and Physical Layer Specifications and Link Layer Protocol (ANSI/IEEE 802.2 and 802.3)
- FIPS 108, Alphanumeric Computer Output Microform Quality Test Slide (AIIM MS28–1983)
- FIPS 129, Optical Character Recognition (OCR)—Dot Matrix Character Sets for OCR—MA (ANSI X3.111–1986)
- FIPS 149, General Aspects of Group 4 Facsimile Apparatus (ANSI/EIA–536–1988)

These FIPS adopt voluntary industry standards for Federal government use. In some cases, the FIPS documents have not been updated to reference current or revised voluntary industry standards. In other cases, commercial products implementing the voluntary industry standards, such as punched cards, paper tape, optical character recognition equipment, and microfilm readers, are widely available; as a result, it is no longer necessary for the government to mandate standards in these areas.

Withdrawal means that the FIPS will no longer be part of a subscription series that is provided by the National Technical Information Service, and that NIST will no longer be able to support the standards by answering implementation questions or updating the FIPS when the voluntary industry standards are revised. Current voluntary industry standards should be used by agencies in their procurement actions where appropriate, in accordance with OMB Circular A–119, Federal Participation and Use of Voluntary Standards.

Prior to the submission of this proposed withdrawal to the Secretary of Commerce for review and approval, it is essential to assure that consideration is given to the needs and views of manufacturers, the public, and State and local governments. The purpose of this notice is to solicit such views.

Interested parties may obtain copies of these standards from the National Technical Information Service, U.S. Department of Commerce, Springfield, VA 22161, telephone (703) 487–4650.

**DATES:** Comments on this proposed withdrawal must be received on or before November 20, 1995.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments concerning the withdrawal should be sent to: Acting Director, Computer Systems Laboratory, ATTN: Withdrawal of Eighteen FIPS, Technology Building, Room B154, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899.

Written comments received in response to this notice will be made part of the public record and will be made available for inspection and copying in the Central Reference and Records Inspection Facility, Room 6020, Herbert C. Hoover Building, 14th Street between Pennsylvania and Constitution Avenues, NW., Washington, DC 20230.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Ms. Shirley M. Radack, telephone (301) 975–2833, National Institute of Standards and Technology, Gaithersburg, MD 20899.

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**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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**Groundfish of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands**

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

**ACTION:** Renewal of an experimental fishing permit.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS announces the renewal of experimental fishing permit (EFP) #94–2 to Northwest Food Strategies (NWFS), and participating vessels and shoreside processors. Under the renewal process, a new EFP #95–1, will be issued to authorize vessels and shoreside processors to voluntarily retain Pacific salmon caught as bycatch, which would otherwise be discarded as prohibited species under current regulations, for donation to food bank programs. This action is necessary to allow for the collection of additional data that may be used to evaluate proposed regulations.

**ADDRESSES:** Copies of the EFP are available from: Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802; Attn: Lori Gravel.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Ellen R. Varosi, 907–586–7228.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Fishery Management Plan (FMP) for the Groundfish Fishery of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Area (BSAI) and its implementing regulations at 50 CFR part 675 authorize issuance of EFPs for fishing that would otherwise be prohibited. Under this authority, NMFS announced the approval of EFP #94–2 in the **Federal Register** on August 2, 1994 (59 FR 39326) to test the feasibility of voluntary retention of salmon caught as bycatch for donation to foodbanks to feed economically disadvantaged individuals. This EFP expired after the 1995 BSAI pollock roe season.

Preliminary results from this EFP indicated that voluntary retention and processing successfully reduced salmon discard amounts. However, the collection of additional data could assist NMFS in evaluating proposed regulations currently being considered by the Council. Therefore, this renewal will allow the collection of data that may be used to evaluate Amendment 26 to the Fishery Management Plan for the Groundfish Fishery of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Area and Amendment 29 to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska that authorizes a