For example, the average dollar value per household per percentage point of reduced fish mortality at cooling water intake structures ranges from $0.75 and $0.78 in the Southeast and Inland regions, respectively, to $1.12 and $1.13 in the Northeast and national versions, respectively, to $2.52 in the Pacific region. EPA is also conducting a non-response study for each version of the survey, to account for the possibility that respondents are fundamentally different from non-respondents. EPA would use the non-response study results to develop weights that correct for any differences, reducing the weight placed on overrepresented respondent groups, while increasing the weight placed on any underrepresented respondent groups. See Section II.G of the Survey Support Document for details on the non-response study for the Northeast region of the survey (the only region for which the non-response study has been completed to date). EPA emphasizes that the relationship between unweighted and weighted models for the Northeast may not be the same for the other regional and national versions. EPA currently is still fielding the non-response studies for the other three regional and national versions of the survey. EPA intends to complete weighted models for the remaining regions and the national surveys. After completing the non-response studies for all regions, reviewing public comment, and conducting additional scope and validity testing, EPA will present a more complete set of stated preference survey materials for an external peer review.

EPA invites comment on the study’s preliminary results, including the extent to which those results are consistent with previous studies of stated or revealed public preferences; ways of assessing the external validity of the underlying per household estimates and implied aggregate WTP, for example by comparison with estimates in the published literature of WTP for increased species abundance or other ecosystem attributes; whether further analyses are needed, and if so what analyses might be most useful; and the certainty levels of attributes in this survey. After reviewing and responding to public comment, the results from the planned external peer review, and additional validity testing informed by public comment, EPA will determine whether the results of the stated preference survey should be included in the benefits analysis for the final rule, and if so, what role they should play. The notice is intended to apprise the public of the new information, make this information available for public review and provide an opportunity to comment on the new information that the Agency has collected. However, EPA notes that the Agency is not reopening the proposed rule for comment through this notice.

III. General Solicitation of Comment

EPA encourages public participation and requests comments on all aspects of the EPA and analyses presented in this notice of data availability and in the data collection activities with the Agency to facilitate mutually beneficial and cost-effective data submissions. Please refer to the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section at the beginning of this preamble for technical contacts at EPA.

To ensure that EPA can properly respond to comments, the Agency prefers that commenters cite, where possible, the paragraph(s) or sections in the document or supporting documents to which each comment refers. Please submit copies of your comments and enclosures (including references) as specified in the ADDRESSES section at the beginning of this notice.

Dated: June 1, 2012.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
Fish and Wildlife Service

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Migratory Bird Hunting; Meeting Regarding Regulations for the 2012–13 Hunting Season

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Proposed rule; notice of meeting date change.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), proposed in an earlier document to establish annual hunting regulations for certain migratory game birds for the 2012–13 hunting season. This notice revises the previously announced dates of the June 2012 Service Migratory Bird Regulations Web site meetings.

DATES: The Service Migratory Bird Regulations Committee (SRC) will meet to consider and develop proposed regulations for early-season migratory bird hunting on June 19 and 20, 2012. The meetings are open to the public and will commence at approximately 8:30 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The SRC will meet in room 200 of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service’s Arlington Square Building, 4401 N. Fairfax Dr., Arlington, VA.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On April 17, 2012, we published in the Federal Register (77 FR 23094) a proposal to amend 50 CFR part 20. The proposal provided a background and overview of the migratory bird hunting regulations process and addressed the establishment of seasons, limits, and other regulations for hunting migratory game birds under §§ 20.101 through 20.107, 20.109, and 20.110 of subpart K. On May 17, 2012, we published the second in a series of proposed, supplemental, and final rules for migratory game bird hunting regulations (77 FR 29516). In that document, we announced a meeting of the SRC to take place June 20 and 21, 2012. The dates of that meeting have now changed: The SRC will meet June 19 and 20, 2012, at the location indicated above in ADDRESSES.

Service Migratory Bird Regulations Committee Meetings

At the June 19–20, 2012, meeting, the SRC will review information on the current status of migratory shore and upland game birds and develop recommendations for the 2012–13 migratory game bird regulations for these species, plus regulations for migratory game birds in Alaska, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. The SRC will also develop regulations recommendations for September waterfowl seasons in designated States, special sea duck seasons in the Atlantic Flyway, and extended falconry seasons. In addition, the SRC will review and discuss preliminary information on the status of waterfowl. In accordance with Departmental policy, these meetings are open to public observation. You may submit written comments to the Service on the matters discussed. See the May 17, 2012, Federal Register document (77 FR 29516) for more details on the meeting.

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FR 29516) for information regarding how to submit comments.

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Dated: June 6, 2012.

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