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## **Privacy Impact Assessment for the**

## Center for Operational Oceanographic Products and Services PORTS® and NWLON IT System (NOAA6205)

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# U.S. Department of Commerce Privacy Impact Assessment NOAA/NOS/ Center for Operational Oceanographic Products and Services PORTS® and NWLON IT System

**Unique Project Identifier: NOAA6205** 

**Introduction:** System Description

The National Ocean Service (NOS) Center for Operational Oceanographic Products and Services (CO-OPS) collects and distributes observations and predictions of water levels and currents to ensure safe, efficient and environmentally sound maritime commerce. CO-OPS establishes standards for the collection and processing of water level and current data, collects and documents user requirements which serve as the foundation for all resulting program activities, designs new and/or improved oceanographic observing systems, designs software to improve CO-OPS' data processing capabilities, maintains and operates oceanographic observing systems, performs operational data analysis/quality control, and produces/disseminates oceanographic products.

(a) Whether it is a general support system, major application, or other type of system

The National Ocean Service (NOS) Center for Operational Oceanographic Products and Services (CO- OPS) is a Major application.

(b) System location

The headquarters for NOAA6205 is located in Silver Spring, MD, with field offices in Seattle, Washington; Chesapeake, Virginia; and Gulf Breeze, Florida that collect and distribute observations and predictions of water levels and currents to ensure safe, efficient and environmentally sound maritime commerce. NOAA6205 also has a majority of our servers in the Amazon Web Services (AWS) cloud. NOAA6205 has decommission all devices that were in the Microsoft Azure cloud and is solely using AWS for cloud services.

(c) Whether it is a standalone system or interconnects with other systems (identifying and describing any other systems to which it interconnects)

NOAA6205 interconnects to NOAA0100 (NOAA Cyber Security Center), NOAA0550 (NOAA N-WAVE), NOAA6001 (NOS Enterprise Information System), and NOAA8870 (National Weather Service Telecommunication Gateway). The interconnection with NOAA6001 is utilized for connections to NOS hosted applications and NOAA campus backbone, NOAA6205 also utilizes NOAA VPN for remote connectivity and NOAA NWAVE for connection to AWS East/West FedRamp Cloud.

#### (d) The way the system operates to achieve the purpose(s) identified in Section 4

The CO-OPS PORTS® and NWLON System (NOAA6205) and the infrastructure components that stores, processes and transmits the information are the focus of this document and play an important role in NOAA's strategic goals to promote safe navigation and sustain healthy coasts. This system provides CO-OPS and its four divisions with general office automation, application management, network connectivity, file storage, process and workflow management, and application development functionality. NOAA6205 provides several applications for use. These applications run on either Linux or Windows-based platforms. All Linux or Windows-based platforms upon which these applications run are supported by NOAA6205. NOAA6205 has public web servers that provide limited external information to the public. This information has been reviewed and approved by CO-OPS. NOAA6205 also utilizes IaaS and PaaS within AWS. These cloud based services do not host, process, or transmit any PII. The only personal information stored are in relation to account information such as user logins, with fields such as username, password, and NOAA e-mail address.

#### (e) How information in the system is retrieved by the user

The information is retrieved through an application user interface, except for the data that is kept on the shared drives. Web servers that have publicly accessible information is accessible anonymously using the HTTP and FTP protocols. However, individuals are uniquely identified and authenticated in order to change information on the web servers.

#### (f) How information is transmitted to and from the system

PII is also collected by NOAA6205 web applications for external users requesting access to public facing data. These users are required to provide information to CO-OPS for contact purposes. The information collected on external users requesting access to public facing data by NOAA6205 applications will only be accessible to CO-OPS users with appropriate roles and permissions to view the database table that contains these data elements. It will not be shared with any other organization or agency. This information is collected exclusively to determine eligibility to obtain access to certain data products. Although the CO-OPS' Chesapeake surveillance system has the potential to collect PII via video surveillance, it is not the purpose of the device and any PII captured is immediately deleted. This system also only operates at our Chesapeake field office to further reduce the potential of inadvertently capturing PII. CO-OPS does not capture photographs for badging since that is performed (and stored) by the NOAA Office of Security. CO-OPS does utilize staff pictures (with written permission) as part of either internal or external website as part of CO-OPS program, possible profile narrative, and/or presentation of CO-OPS mission activities.

Vendor provided BII is also collected in the form of contract Requests for Proposals (RFPs). These RFPs are stored electronically on the system and shared amongst the source selection team through the evaluation period and until completion of reviews at which time the RFPs that were

shared with and reviewed by the source selection team, but not selected, are removed and the selected RFP is printed and stored in accordance with the record retention schedule.

Information is collected on CO-OPS users is automatically collected by the System for auditing purposes only when they access NOAA6205 systems. The audit logs generated during the access of NOAA6205 are shared with the NOS web administrators for evaluation purposes. The information that is stored in this system consists of the following: User ID, IP Address, and Date/Time of Access.

NOAA6205 makes use of UAS and has the potential for inadvertent collection of PII, such as images of individuals along the coastlines that are within the area of study by the UAS vehicle. However, no retrieval of information using any unique identifier within UAS datasets will be conducted, and any PII inadvertently collected will be deleted within 30 days. NOAA6205 does not contain any application capable of facial recognition within any captured images. It is anticipated that the Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) collected imagery will be at a resolution to meet organizational needs but it would not have the ability (resolution or clarity) to uniquely identify any individuals. CO-OPS is compliant with all policies and procedures posted on the UAS.noaa.gov site along with the NOAA Unmanned Aircraft System Privacy Policy.

(g) Any information sharing conducted by the system

None of the applications share PII outside of NOAA except that NOS employee information may be shared with Commerce and other federal agencies in case of a breach. Information is shared periodically within the bureau on a case-by-case basis. Additionally, non-sensitive POC information on certain subjects are made available via the NOAA6205 web presence. Though the utilization of Google drive/docs/sheet is taking place within NOAA6205, users are prohibited by policy to store any PII information within these services.

- (h) The specific programmatic authorities (statutes or Executive Orders) for collecting, maintaining, using, and disseminating the information
- 5 U.S.C. § 301 authorizes the operations of an executive agency, including the creation, custodianship, maintenance and distribution of records.
- 15 U.S.C. § 1512 applies. It is an Organic Law, which confers general powers and duties authority to executive agencies, vesting jurisdiction and control of departments, bureaus, offices and branches.
- (i) The Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) 199 security impact category for the system

Moderate

#### **Section 1: Status of the Information System**

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a. Conversions		d. Significant Merging		g. New Interagency Uses	
b. Anonymous to Non-		e. New Public Access		h. Internal Flow or	2
Anonymous				Collection	
c. Significant System Manager Changes		f. Commercial Sources	S	i. Alteration in Character of Data	
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Ge	General Personal Data (GPD)				
a.	Name	X	h. Date of Birth		o. Financial Information
b.	Maiden Name		i. Place of Birth		p. Medical Information
c.	Alias		j. Home Address	X	q. Military Service
d.	Gender		k. Telephone Number	X	r. Criminal Record
e.	Age		1. Email Address	X	s. Marital Status

f.	Race/Ethnicity	m. Education	t. Mother's Maiden Name	
g.	Citizenship	n. Religion		

u. Other general personal data (specify): Employee information is collected for emergency/disaster/COOP related contact needs. General inquiries related to information sharing consist of collecting name and telephone number in order to respond to the information requests. Certain subject matter experts agree explicitly to share contact information (name, phone, email) on CO-OPS' web site.

W	ork-Related Data (WRD)					
a.	Occupation	X	e. Work Email Address	X	i. Business Associates	
b.	Job Title	X	f. Salary		j. Proprietary or Business Information	X
c.	Work Address	X	g. Work History		k. Procurement/contracting records	X
d.	Work Telephone Number	X	h. Employment Performance Ratings or other Performance Information			

l. Other work-related data (specify): Work related data is also only collected for emergency/disaster/COOP related contact needs.

Distinguishing Features/Biometrics (DFB)			
a. Fingerprints	f. Scars, Marks, Tattoos	k. Signatures	
b. Palm Prints	g. Hair Color	Vascular Scans	
c. Voice/Audio Recording	h. Eye Color	m. DNA Sample or Profile	
d. Video Recording	i. Height	n. Retina/Iris Scans	
e. Photographs	X j. Weight	o. Dental Profile	

p. Other distinguishing features/biometrics (specify): CO-OPS UAS (drones) is used to gather aerial photos to assist with the accuracy of the CO-OPS mission. Although the CO-OPS UAS has the potential to collect PII via patterned single images taken during the drone flight, it is not the purpose of the device and any inadvertently PII captured will be deleted within 30 days, when identified during the data processing stage. The Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) collected imagery will be at a resolution to meet organizational needs but it would not have the ability (resolution or clarity) to uniquely identify any individuals. Any "PII" collected is incidental, unintentional, and not be retained.

System Administration/Audit Data (SAAD)				
a. User ID	X	c. Date/Time of Access	X	e. ID Files Accessed
b. IP Address	X	f. Queries Run		f. Contents of Files
g. Other system administration/audit data (specify): User ID, IP Address, and Date/Time of Access is automatically collected by the System for auditing purposes only.				

Other Information (specify)	

2.2 Indicate sources of the PII/BII in the system. (Check all that apply.)

In Person	Hard Copy: Mail/Fax	X	Online	X
Telephone	Email			
Other (specify):				

Government Sources				
Within the Bureau	Other DOC Bureaus	X	Other Federal Agencies	
State, Local, Tribal	Foreign			
Other (specify):				

Non-government Sources					
Public Organizations Private Sector X Commercial Data Brokers					
Third Party Website or Application					
Other (specify):					

#### 2.3 Describe how the accuracy of the information in the system is ensured.

#### Mission data

CO-OPS mission data is posted after completing quality assurance validation. All incoming mission data undergoes complete quality assurance prior to being incorporated into the mission business process. Submitted public customer contact information does not undergo validation and is deleted if the email is invalid.

#### **Acquisitions data**

CO-OPS acquisition data is reviewed by the contracting officer. Data is verified by the contracting officer contacts via Email and phone calls; this process is used to verify information provided by the vendor.

#### **HR Data**

CO-OPS HR data is validated at the time of receipt by the HR representative. The HR representative compares picture ID and other information to validate the applicant's identity. For travel, the HR representative also validates the information at the time of collection. This includes comparison of Driver's License and Passport. HR data for travel is only used to assist the employee in making travel arrangements and is not stored. Applicant data is only maintained during the hiring process. This information aids in managing administrative programs related to an employee or contractor's employment status, travel, and other human capital resources activities. PII is collected from employees as well for emergency purposes.

The Division Chiefs and Deputies within CO-OPS also use this information in communicating with employees during emergencies and contingent events. Ensuring the accuracy of information provided by employees, contractors, volunteers and partner agency staff who use the system is the responsibility of the division chief, team lead, or contracting officer.

None of the administrative processes listed (mission, acquisitions, or HR data) require SSNs. SSNs have been deliberately removed from CO-OPS' administrative processes for some time now. Information collected by NOAA6205 web applications for external users requesting access to public facing data. These users are required to provide information to CO-OPS for contact purposes. The user inputting the data is required to ensure the accuracy of this information.

Vendor provided BII is also collected in the form of contract Requests for Proposals (RFPs). These RFPs are stored electronically on the system until completion of reviews at which time non-selected RFPs are removed and the selected RFP is printed and stored in accordance with the record retention schedule. The contracting officer reviews users' data prior to inputting into the system and the user reviews their data at various points in the process.

2.4 Is the information covered by the Paperwork Reduction Act?

X	Yes, the information is covered by the Paperwork Reduction Act.
	Provide the OMB control number and the agency number for the collection.
	OMB control Number: 0648-0342, NOAA Website Satisfaction Survey (webpage: Survey)
	OMB control number: 0648-0762, 3D Nation Elevation Data Requirements and Benefits Study
	No, the information is not covered by the Paperwork Reduction Act.

2.5 Indicate the technologies used that contain PII/BII in ways that have not been previously deployed. (Check all that apply.)

Technologies Used Containing PII/BII Not Previously Deployed (TUCPBNPD)		
Smart Cards	Biometrics	
Caller-ID	Personal Identity Verification (PIV) Cards	
Other (specify): UAS is being added to this system for coastal imagery purposes.		

There are not any technologies used that contain PII/BII in ways that have not been previously deployed.

#### **Section 3: System Supported Activities**

3.1 Indicate IT system supported activities which raise privacy risks/concerns. (Check all that apply.)

Activities			
Audio recordings		Building entry readers	X
Video surveillance	X	Electronic purchase transactions	

Other (specify): The Chesapeake Field Office utilizes a video surveillance system that is managed by the FOD staff. Signs indicating that the facility is being monitored by video are posted. This is a stand-alone system that records onto disks, which are overwritten every 60 days (or when full). Only the FOD manager and the one IT staff have access to the disks. Although the CO-OPS' Chesapeake surveillance system has the potential to collect PII via video surveillance, it is not the purpose of the device and any PII captured is immediately deleted. This system also only operates at our Chesapeake field office to further reduce the potential of inadvertently capturing PII. Building entry readers recognize CAC cards used to gain entry, but do not store any of the data embedded on the card.

Additionally, as mentioned above in this PIA, NOAA6205 makes use of UAS and has the potential for inadvertent collection of PII. However, no retrieval of information using any unique identifier within UAS datasets will be conducted. Furthermore, although the CO-OPS UAS has the potential to collect PII via patterned single images taken during the drone flight, it is not the purpose of the device and any inadvertently PII captured will be deleted within 30 days, when identified during the data processing stage. The Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) collected imagery will be at a resolution to meet organizational needs but it would not have the ability (resolution or clarity) to uniquely identify any individuals. Any "PII" collected is incidental, unintentional, and not be retained. CO-OPS is compliant with all policies and procedures posted on the UAS.noaa.gov site along with the NOAA Unmanned Aircraft System Privacy Policy.

There are not any IT system supported activities which raise privacy risks/concerns.

#### **Section 4: Purpose of the System**

4.1 Indicate why the PII/BII in the IT system is being collected, maintained, or disseminated. (*Check all that apply.*)

Purpose			
For a Computer Matching Program		For administering human resources programs	X
For administrative matters	X	To promote information sharing initiatives	X
For litigation		For criminal law enforcement activities	
For civil enforcement activities		For intelligence activities	
To improve Federal services online	X	For employee or customer satisfaction	
For web measurement and customization		For web measurement and customization	X
technologies (single-session)		technologies (multi-session)	
Other (specify): In order to determine a potential contractor's ability to fulfil contract, a request for proposal (RFP)			
proprietary information (BII) may be collected to review proposals.			

#### **Section 5:** Use of the Information

5.1 In the context of functional areas (business processes, missions, operations, etc.) supported by the IT system, describe how the PII/BII that is collected, maintained, or disseminated will be used. Indicate if the PII/BII identified in Section 2.1 of this document is in reference to a federal employee/contractor, member of the public, foreign national, visitor or other (specify).

NOAA6205 collects, stores, and processes basic identifying information about employees, contractors, volunteers and partner agency staff who use the system. The identifying

information is collected and maintained for CO-OPS' COOP plan and other administrative processes. This information consists of Name (First, Last), Home Address, Phone Numbers (Both Work and Personal Home), employer and employee ID, and passport number when needed. Emergency Contact Information is also collected and includes: Name (First, Last), Home Address, Work and or Home phone numbers.

This information aids in managing administrative and human resource programs related to an employee or contractor's employment status, travel, and other human capital resources activities. PII is collected from employees as well for emergency purposes. The Division Chiefs and Deputies within CO-OPS also use this information in communicating with employees during emergencies and contingent events. None of the administrative processes listed require SSNs. SSNs have been deliberately removed from CO-OPS' administrative processes for some time now.

Information is also collected by NOAA6205 web applications for external users requesting access to public facing data. This information aids in determining web measurement and customization needs as well as to help improve the overall service that CO-OPS provides online. These users are required to provide information to CO-OPS for contact purposes. The information that is stored in this system consists of the following – For partner vendors: Name (First and Last), Business Street Address, City, State, Country, Email, Phone Number, Organization or Business Name, Occupation, Contract Number, Project Number, Account Status and Application Date. For general public: Name (First, Last), Street Address, City, State, Country, Email, Phone Number, Organization, if applicable.

The information collected on external users requesting access to public facing data by NOAA6205 applications will only be accessible to CO-OPS users with appropriate roles and permissions to view the database table that contains these data elements. It will not be shared with any other organization or agency. This information is collected exclusively to determine eligibility to obtain access to certain data products.

Vendor provided BII is also collected in the form of contract Requests for Proposals (RFPs). These RFPs are stored electronically on the system until completion of reviews at which time non-selected RFPs are removed and the selected RFP is printed and stored in accordance with the record retention schedule.

Information collected on CO-OPS users is automatically collected by the System for auditing purposes only when they access NOAA6205 systems. The information that is stored in this system consists of the following: User ID, IP Address, and Date/Time of Access.

In addition, CO-OPS utilizes a VPN over the Internet to connect the Chesapeake office to the Seattle, Gulf Breeze, and Silver Spring offices. By using a VPN, CO-OPS ensures that all data

is encrypted while in transit between the offices, and transmission integrity is maintained.

The overall collection and storage of PII/BII is part of accomplishing the legislated mission of within CO-OPS NOAA6205 make use of UAS and has the potential for inadvertent collection of PII, such as images of individuals along the coastlines that are within the area of study by the UAS vehicle. However, no retrieval of information using any unique identifier within UAS datasets will be conducted, and any PII inadvertently collected will be deleted within 30 days. NOAA6205 does not contain any application capable of facial recognition within any captured images. It is anticipated that the Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) collected imagery will be at a resolution to meet organizational needs but it would not have the ability (resolution or clarity) to uniquely identify any individuals. CO-OPS is compliant with all policies and procedures posted on the UAS.noaa.gov site along with the NOAA Unmanned Aircraft System Privacy Policy.

5.2 Describe any potential threats to privacy, such as insider threat, as a result of the bureau's/operating unit's use of the information, and controls that the bureau/operating unit has put into place to ensure that the information is handled, retained, and disposed appropriately. (For example: mandatory training for system users regarding appropriate handling of information, automatic purging of information in accordance with the retention schedule, etc.)

If users print information from the system with privacy data placed in it, there is a chance that this data could be viewed if the document is left in plain sight. Non-sensitive PII could be exposed if unauthorized access to the system is somehow achieved. Insider threat is also a possibility. To combat the potential of users accidentally causing privacy incidents, users are required to take privacy training at least annually as a part of our annual security awareness course. Users must a sign rules of behavior to ensure they understand their responsibilities to the system and that data which resides on it.

#### **UAS**

Any "PII" collected is incidental, unintentional, and not retained. It is anticipated that the Unmanned Aerial System (UAS) collected imagery will be at a resolution to meet organizational needs but it would not have the ability (resolution or clarity) to uniquely identify any individuals.

#### **Section 6: Information Sharing and Access**

6.1 Indicate with whom the bureau intends to share the PII/BII in the IT system and how the PII/BII will be shared. (Check all that apply.)

Recipient	Case-by-Case	Bulk Transfer	Direct Access
Within the bureau	X		
DOC bureaus			
Federal agencies			
State, local, tribal gov't agencies			
Public			
Private sector			
Foreign governments			
Foreign entities			
Other (specify):			

The PII/BII in the system will not be shared.

6.2 Does the DOC bureau/operating unit place a limitation on re-dissemination of PII/BII shared with external agencies/entities?

	Yes, the external agency/entity is required to verify with the DOC bureau/operating unit before redissemination of PII/BII.
	No, the external agency/entity is not required to verify with the DOC bureau/operating unit before re-
	dissemination of PII/BII.
X	No, the bureau/operating unit does not share PII/BII with external agencies/entities.

6.3 Indicate whether the IT system connects with or receives information from any other IT systems authorized to process PII and/or BII.

X	Yes, this IT system connects with or receives information from another IT system(s) authorized to process PII and/or BII.  Provide the name of the IT system and describe the technical controls which prevent PII/BII leakage:
	NOAA6205 is connected to the NOS Line Office information system NOAA6001 and the other NOAA information systems, mentioned above in this document, for VPN, security, and network operations. NOAA6205 pushes SHEF/CREX bulletin data to NWS, these are regular station observation data (WL, met) and does not contain any PII.
	NOAA6205 does not share or receive PII or BII through these technical infrastructure connections. NOAA6205 has established security permissions based on NOS Active Directory network account (enforced with 2FA for all accounts), restrictions in firewall ACL and security permissions on specific network folders where documentation is stored
	NOAA6205 also connects to NOAA0100, NOAA0550, and NOAA8870.
	No, this IT system does not connect with or receive information from another IT system(s) authorized to process PII and/or BII.

6.4 Identify the class of users who will have access to the IT system and the PII/BII. (Check all that apply.)

Class of Users			
General Public		Government Employees	X
Contractors	X		
Other (specify): Guest researchers and individuals from allied nations may have access to the system, but will not have access to PII/BII.			

#### **Section 7: Notice and Consent**

7.1 Indicate whether individuals will be notified if their PII/BII is collected, maintained, or disseminated by the system. (Check all that apply.)

X	Yes, notice is provided pursuant to a system of records notice published in the Federal Register and discussed in Section 9.	
X	Yes, notice is provided by a Privacy Act	statement and/or privacy policy. The Privacy Act statement <a href="mailto:ttps://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/privacy.html">ttps://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/privacy.html</a>
X	Yes, notice is provided by other means.	Specify how:
		Visitors to the CO-OPS web site can request information by submitting an email through an information request contact form. Individuals are under no obligation to provide any identifying information, and the details of how this information is handled are readily available via the CO-OPS Privacy Policy and a Privacy Act statement. CO-OPS does not capture photographs for badging since that is performed (and stored) by the NOAA Office of Security. CO-OPS does utilized staff pictures (with written permission) as part of either internal or external website as part of CO-OPS program, possible profile narrative, and/or presentation of CO-OPS mission activities.  CO-OPS staff members (employees) are provided notice via email of how PII is used (i.e., emergency contact information in case of emergency or disasters), CO-OPS' employees are also pointed to the Privacy Act Statement and Policy on the public facing website upon hire.
		CO-OPS staff members (employees) are provided notice of information to be collected from them upon hire as well as via COOPS Privacy Policy on the public-facing Web site to which they are directed. Staff members are notified upon request for collection of identifying information that they may decline to provide the information, but that in some instances it may affect their employment.  Vendor provided BII is collected in the form of contract
		Requests for Proposals (RFPs). In addition to the CO-OPS Privacy Policy which govern how vendor PII/BII is maintained, Contracting Officers also stipulate how vendor PII/BII is disseminated via non-disclosure agreement and in accordance with privacy notices placed by the vendors in their proposals.

No, notice is not provided.	Specify why not:

7.2 Indicate whether and how individuals have an opportunity to decline to provide PII/BII.

X	Yes, individuals have an opportunity to decline to provide PII/BII.	Specify how: Visitors to the CO-OPS web site can request information by submitting an email through an information request contact form. Individuals are under no obligation to provide any identifying information, and the details of how this information is handled are readily available via the CO-OPS Privacy Policy and a Privacy Act statement.
		CO-OPS staff members (employees) are provided notice via email of how PII is used (i.e., emergency contact information in case of emergency or disasters) upon hire as well as via COOPS Privacy Policy on the public-facing Web site to which they are directed. Staff members are notified upon request for collection of identifying information that they may decline to provide the information via email or verbally, to their supervisors, but that in some instances it may affect their employment.
		Vendors are also under no obligation to provide any identifying information. Information provided is voluntary in the form of an RFP in response to a solicitation.
	No, individuals do not have an opportunity to decline to provide PII/BII.	Specify why not:

7.3 Indicate whether and how individuals have an opportunity to consent to particular uses of their PII/BII.

X	Yes, individuals have an opportunity to	Specify how: For visitors to the CO-OPS site, the purpose of
	consent to particular uses of their	collecting the information is described in the Privacy Act
	PII/BII.	Statement. COOPS does not collect personally identifiable
		information unless visitors choose to provide it to us. If
		information is provided us with personally identifiable
		information, for example by sending an e- mail or by filling out
		a form and submitting it through our Web site, we use that
		information only to respond to the message and to help provide
		visitors with the information and services that they request.
		Submitting voluntary information constitutes consent to the use
		of the information for the stated purpose. When a user clicks the
		"Submit" button on any of the Web forms found on our site they are indicating voluntary consent to use of the information they
		submit for the stated purpose.
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		As information gathered only has one particular use, managing
		administrative programs related to an employee or contractor's
		employment status, individuals have the opportunity to consent
		or decline upon request of the information.
		Vendor provided BII is collected in the form of contract
		Requests for Proposals (RFPs). In addition to the CO-OPS

	Privacy Policy that govern how vendor PII/BII is maintained, contracting officers also stipulate how vendor PII/BII is disseminated via non-disclosure agreement and in accordance
	with privacy notices placed by the vendors on their proposals.
No, individuals do not have an	Specify why not:
opportunity to consent to particular uses	
of their PII/BII.	

7.4 Indicate whether and how individuals have an opportunity to review/update PII/BII pertaining to them.

X	Yes, individuals have an opportunity to review/update PII/BII pertaining to them.	Specify how: Visitors to the CO-OPS site provide current information when contacting us.
	them.	CO-OPS employees and contractors are queried on a quarterly basis, during which they can provide updates.
		Members of the public are not required or asked to provide any identifying information. Members of the public have an opportunity to update their PII at any time by providing updated information via email, phone or fax.
		Vendors have an opportunity to update their PII/BII by providing updated physical or electronic invoices, phone call or by updating information through another RFP when there is a new solicitation.
	No, individuals do not have an opportunity to review/update PII/BII pertaining to them.	Specify why not:

#### **Section 8:** Administrative and Technological Controls

8.1 Indicate the administrative and technological controls for the system. (Check all that apply.)

X	All users signed a confidentiality agreement or non-disclosure agreement.
X	All users are subject to a Code of Conduct that includes the requirement for confidentiality.
X	Staff (employees and contractors) received training on privacy and confidentiality policies and practices.
X	Access to the PII/BII is restricted to authorized personnel only.
X	Access to the PII/BII is being monitored, tracked, or recorded.
	Explanation: Only authorized individuals have access to the safe in which physical PII is stored. All
	electronic forms of PII is strictly monitored, tracked, and recorded by access controls in place on the
	System.
X	The information is secured in accordance with the Federal Information Security Modernization Act
	(FISMA) requirements.
	Provide date of most recent Assessment and Authorization (A&A): 10/05/2021
	☐ This is a new system. The A&A date will be provided when the A&A package is approved.
X	The Federal Information Processing Standard (FIPS) 199 security impact category for this system is a
	moderate or higher.
X	NIST Special Publication (SP) 800-122 and NIST SP 800-53 Revision 4 Appendix J recommended
	security controls for protecting PII/BII are in place and functioning as intended; or have an approved Plan
	of Action and Milestones (POA&M).

X	A security assessment report has been reviewed for the information system and it has been determined	
	that there are no additional privacy risks.	
X	Contractors that have access to the system are subject to information security provisions in their contracts	
	required by DOC policy.	
X	Contracts with customers establish DOC ownership rights over data including PII/BII.	
X	Acceptance of liability for exposure of PII/BII is clearly defined in agreements with customers.	
	Other (specify):	

8.2 Provide a general description of the technologies used to protect PII/BII on the IT system. (*Include data encryption in transit and/or at rest, if applicable*).

NOAA implements various controls and technologies used to protect PII/BII on NOAA6205. These controls are in place to ensure that the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of how PII/BII information is collected, maintained, and transmitted within the NOAA6205 is in accordance with the System's categorization level. For example, NOAA has implemented technologies such as control lists and user authorizations for access control.

Additionally, through the Media and Backup Plan, NOAA has implemented controls to limit the retention and transmission of PII. Encryption and access controls also both protect PII/BII at rest.

#### **Section 9: Privacy Act**

9.1	Is the l	Is the PII/BII searchable by a personal identifier (e.g., name or Social Security number)?		
	X	Yes, the PII/BII is searchable by a personal identifier.		
		No, the PII/BII is not searchable by a personal identifier.		

9.2 Indicate whether a system of records is being created under the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552a. (A new system of records notice (SORN) is required if the system is not covered by an existing SORN).

As per the Privacy Act of 1974, "the term 'system of records' means a group of any records under the control of any agency from which information is retrieved by the name of the individual or by some identifying number, symbol, or other identifying particular assigned to the individual."

- Yes, this system is covered by an existing system of records notice (SORN).
   Provide the SORN name, number, and link. (list all that apply):

   COMMERCE/<u>DEPT-25</u>: Access Control and Identity Management System
   <u>GSA/GOVT-7</u>: Federal Personal Identity Verification Identity Management System (PIV IDMS)
  - OPM/GOVT-1: General Personnel Records

- NOAA-11, Contact Information for Members of the Public Requesting or Providing Information Related to NOAA's Mission;
- COMMERCE/<u>DEPT-18</u>, Employees Information Not Covered by Notices of Other Agencies;
- COMMERCE/<u>DEPT-2</u>, Accounts Receivable;
- COMMERCE/<u>DEPT-6</u>, Visitor Logs and Permits for Facilities under Department Control;
- COMMERCE/<u>DEPT-13</u>, Investigative and Security Records.
- COMMERCE/<u>DEPT-9</u>, Travel Records (Domestic and Foreign) of Employees and Certain Other Persons,
- <u>GSA-GOVT-9</u>, System for Award Management,
- <u>GSA-GOVT-10</u>, FAR Data Collection System.
- COMMERCE/<u>DEPT-29</u>, Unmanned Aircraft Systems

Yes, a SORN has been submitted to the Department for approval on (date).

No, this system is not a system of records and a SORN is not applicable.

#### **Section 10: Retention of Information**

10.1 Indicate whether these records are covered by an approved records control schedule and monitored for compliance. (Check all that apply.)

X	There is an approved record control schedule.	
	Provide the name of the record control schedule:	
	Chapter 100 - General (Updated 9/2020)	
	Chapter 200 - Administrative and Housekeeping Records (Updated 9/2020)	
	Chapter 300 - Personnel (Updated 7/2020)	
	Chapter 700 - Procurement Supply and Equipment Maintenance (Updated 6/2020)	
	Chapter 900 - Facilities Security and Safety (Updated 6/2020)	
	Chapter 1000 - Motor Vehicle Management and Transportation Service (Updated 7/2020)	
	Chapter 1100 - Printing Binding Duplication and Distribution Records (Updated 5/2017)	
	Chapter 1200 - Scientific Research (Updated 10/2017)	
	Chapter 1300 - Weather (Updated 1/2020)	
	Chapter 1400 - Satellites and Data Centers (Updated 10/2017)	
	Chapter 1500 - Marine Fisheries (Updated 2/2018)	
	Chapter 1600 - Ocean Programs (Updated 8/2020)	
	Chapter 1700 - NOAA Corps (Updated 8/2020)	
	Chapter 1800 - Marine and Aviation Technology (Updated 6/2016)	
	Chapter 2100 - Sea Grants (Updated 5/2018)	
	Chapter 2200 - Records of the Chief Information Officer (Updated 5/2018)	
	Chapter 2300 - General Information Technology Management Records (Updated 5/2018)	
	Chapter 2400 - Information System Security Records (Updated 5/2018)	
Chapter 2 :00 Information System Security Records (Spanica 5/2010)		
	No, there is not an approved record control schedule.	
	Provide the stage in which the project is in developing and submitting a records control schedule:	
X	Yes, retention is monitored for compliance to the schedule.	
	No, retention is not monitored for compliance to the schedule.	
	Provide explanation:	

10.2 Indicate the disposal method of the PII/BII. (Check all that apply.)

Disposal

Shredding	X	Overwriting	
Degaussing	X	Deleting	
Other (specify):			

#### **Section 11: NIST Special Publication 800-122 PII Confidentiality Impact Level**

11.1 Indicate the potential impact that could result to the subject individuals and/or the organization if PII were inappropriately accessed, used, or disclosed. (The PII Confidentiality Impact Level is not the same, and does not have to be the same, as the Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) 199 security impact category.)

	<b>Low</b> – the loss of confidentiality, integrity, or availability could be expected to have a limited adverse effect on organizational operations, organizational assets, or individuals.	
X		
	adverse effect on organizational operations, organizational assets, or individuals.	
	<b>High</b> – the loss of confidentiality, integrity, or availability could be expected to have a severe	
	or catastrophic adverse effect on organizational operations, organizational assets, or individuals.	

11.2 Indicate which factors were used to determine the above PII confidentiality impact level. (Check all that apply.)

X	Identifiability	Provide explanation: There is enough information to identify an individual.
X	Quantity of PII	Provide explanation: There are less than 1000 records in all.
X	Data Field Sensitivity	Provide explanation: Phone numbers and email addresses are non-sensitive information. No sensitive information is collected.
X	Context of Use	Provide explanation: The user information has been provided voluntarily: from people within the organization for administrative purposes, by visitors to the public Web site, and by vendors who wish to bid on a solicitation. CO-OPS does not capture photographs for badging since that is performed (and stored) by the NOAA Office of Security. CO-OPS does utilized staff pictures (with written permission) as part of either internal or external website as part of CO-OPS program, possible profile narrative, and/or presentation of CO-OPS mission activities.
X	Obligation to Protect Confidentiality	Provide explanation: Users are required to log into the application with a user name and password. The database fields that contain PII are encrypted.
X	Access to and Location of PII	Provide explanation: Users are required to log into the application with a user name and password. The database fields that contain PII are encrypted. The storage of PII is primarily temporary and the data is kept only in access control restricted locations to minimize the number of authorized users. Documents are also stored to restricted shared networks, restricted based on single individual or CO-OPS division based on need to know. Any requested changes or additions of individuals to restricted folders must be approved by the supervisor along with security team representative as part of the change management process. All Travel documents and Acquisition documents are kept in accordance with the record

	retention schedule for auditing requirements.
Other:	Provide explanation:

#### **Section 12:** Analysis

12.1 Identify and evaluate any potential threats to privacy that exist in light of the information collected or the sources from which the information is collected. Also, describe the choices that the bureau/operating unit made with regard to the type or quantity of information collected and the sources providing the information in order to prevent or mitigate threats to privacy. (For example: If a decision was made to collect less data, include a discussion of this decision; if it is necessary to obtain information from sources other than the individual, explain why.)

Potential threats that exist for information collected include data exfiltration and improper handling, retention, sanitization and/or disposal of data. To mitigate these threats CO-OPS has enacted the following:

CO-OPS utilizes the NOAA Office of Human Capital Services, which collects, stores and maintains employee data for internal COOP, Human Resources, and workforce planning purposes only.

CO-OPS follows and implements principle of least privilege and separation of duties (RBAC) in combination with rule-based access control. Only authorized individuals with a need to know will have access to data.

All CO-OPS components are configured following secure baselines, continuously monitored through weekly/monthly vulnerability scans, and log reviews. All CO-OPS staff are required to complete the mandatory IT security awareness training every year.

12.2 Indicate whether the conduct of this PIA results in any required business process changes.

	Yes, the conduct of this PIA results in required business process changes.  Explanation:
X	No, the conduct of this PIA does not result in any required business process changes.

12.3 Indicate whether the conduct of this PIA results in any required technology changes.

	Yes, the conduct of this PIA results in required technology changes.  Explanation:
X	No, the conduct of this PIA does not result in any required technology changes.