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To: Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs*
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From: Team Leader, Natural Resources Management
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Subject: Notice and Request for Comments on the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Five-Year Research Plan Draft and NOAA Twenty-Year Research Vision Draft (**ER 04/641**) (Agency due date: **September 30, 2004**)

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration has published in the **August 20, 2004**, *Federal Register*, a notice and request for comments on the NOAA Five-Year Research Plan Draft and the NOAA Twenty-Year Research Vision Draft. The notice and request for comments can be viewed on the Internet at: http://www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/fedreg/frcont04.html. The NOAA Five-Year Research Plan Draft is available at the following website: <ftp://www.oarhq.noaa.gov/review/5> and the NOAA Twenty-Year Vision Draft is available at: <ftp://www.oarhq.noaa.gov/review/20>.

Please review the NOAA documents from your jurisdiction or special expertise and provide any information or comments to the location or person identified in the *Federal Register* at NOAA by **September 30, 2004**. Also, please provide a copy of any comments you make to this office.

Comments should reflect that they are being provided as technical information and do not necessarily reflect the views and comments of the Department of the Interior.

/s/ 8/23/04
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