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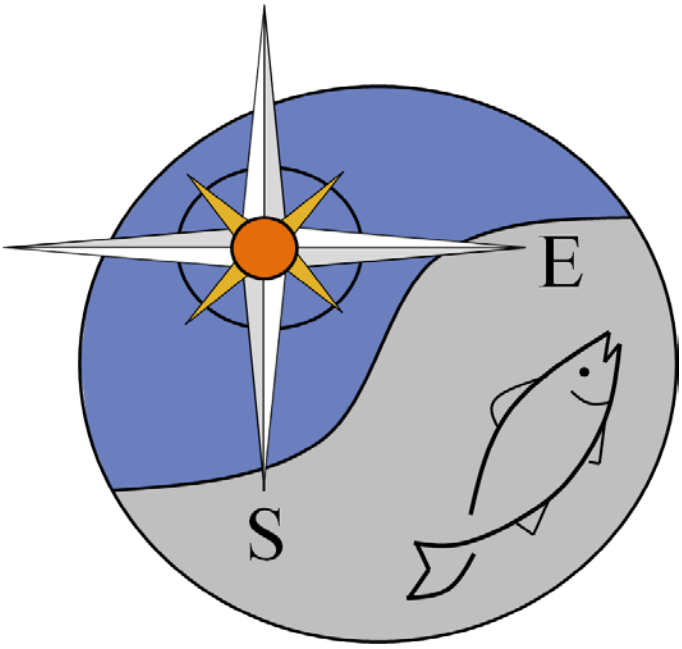

SEDAR Steering Committee

DRAFT MEETING SUMMARY

October 30, 2015

via webinar

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Report Content Note:

To provide context for recommendations and maintain the full record, this document combines the briefing summary provided to the Committee for consideration during the meeting as well as summary Committee discussion points and recommendations.

Outcomes from the meeting are found under the section headers “Meeting Outcome”.

Attendance

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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1. Introduction

1.1. Documents

Agenda
Attachment 1. September 2015 Meeting Summary

1.2. Action

Introductions
Review and Approve Agenda
Approve September 2015 Meeting Summary

MEETING OUTCOME:

- Approved agenda and meeting summary.

2. Assessment Projects

2.1. Documents

Attachment 2. SEDAR Projects List

2.2. Summary

Table 1 provides details on cooperator requested assessment projects, reflecting changes and alternatives discussed during the September meeting.

2.3. ACTION

- Approve Cooperator project requests for 2017 and 2018.

MEETING OUTCOME:

- Approved SEDAR projects as shown in Table 1, with comments and caveats below.
- Gulf of Mexico Gray Snapper will include 2015 data and begin in the first quarter of 2017; the project may be scheduled for a later start if necessary to accommodate data delivery (catch and life history), with the start date not to exceed the 3rd quarter of 2017; project will be planned to include the revised MRIP data expected to be available July 2017 (Data workshop may be held sooner).
- Scamp in the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic is proposed as a pilot research track process assessment starting in Quarter 1 2018. This is pending further review of the SEFSC research track process by the Councils and their SSCs.
- The "MRIP" blocks will be devoted to incorporating revised MRIP estimates into existing assessments. Candidate stocks will be scored by the Center, considering assessment age, proportion of recreational landings and ACL allocation, sensitivity to MRIP

revisions, stock status and MRIP transition team prioritization. Results will be presented to the SSCs for review by Spring 2016, so that comments are available for Steering Committee consideration in May 2016.

3. Other Business

Attachment 3. Revised SOPPS

- SEDAR SOPPS Correction: The Committee approved revised SOPPS at the prior meeting of September 28-29, 2015. In addressing actions from that meeting, staff discovered that the SOPPS document provided in the briefing book was an earlier version that did not include the changes from the October 2014 discussions. The intended version, incorporating committee changes, is provided here for review or reconsideration if necessary.

MEETING OUTCOME:

The Committee had no objection to the revised document and accepted the correct version provided.

4. Next Meetings

- May 2016.
  - Cooperator feedback on the Research Cycle approach
  - Cooperator feedback on the NMFS assessment prioritization process

MEETING OUTCOME:

Activities and Tasks to be completed prior to the May 2016 meeting:

- SEFSC staff will present the research track process to the SAFMC and GMFMC SSCs.
- NOAA Fisheries Staff will present the NMFS assessment prioritization plan to the SSCs and Councils. Councils are asked to consider how this approach can fit into their current prioritization process and how they envision it being used to guide SEDAR priorities.
- SEFSC will determine the availability date for age determination and other life history work for Gulf of Mexico Gray Snapper. SEDAR staff will coordinate discussions with the Center and GMFMC to develop a feasible project scheduled for gray snapper.
- The Caribbean Council will determine their assessment needs for 2017.

- SEDAR staff will contact FL FWCC regarding their ability to conduct a Yellowtail Snapper benchmark beginning in 2017.

5. Adjourn

Table 1. SEDAR ASSESSMENT PROJECTS AND GENERAL TIMING, 2016-2018, AS APPROVED AT THIS MEETING.

		SEFSC – South Atlantic					SEFSC - Gulf					SEFSC-Caribbean	SEFSC -HMS		FL FWC		OTHER Projs
YEAR	Quarter	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	1	2	
2016	1	**41**	**41**			gT	**49**	**49**				**46**			**47**	**48**	
	2	**41**	**41**				**49**	**49**				**46**			**47**	**48**	
	3	**BL**					**49**	**49**							**47**	**48**	Stock ID
	4	**BL**			RG		**49**	**49**		GG	GAJ		DS			**48**	Stock ID
2017	1	**BL**					**49**	**49**	**GS**							**48**	
	2	**BL**							**GS**								
	3	**BL**		MRIP					**GS**	MRIP							BPA
	4		VS	MRIP			*RS*	*RS*	**GS**	MRIP			GBt		**YTS**		BPA
2018	1	**S/RT**		MRIP			*RS*	*RS*	**GS?**	MRIP	**S/RT**		GBt		**YTS**		
	2	**S/RT**		MRIP					**GS?**	MRIP	**S/RT**		**ABt**	**SBS**	**YTS**		
	3	**S/RT**									**S/RT**		**ABt**	**SBS**	**YTS**		
	4	**S/RT**									**S/RT**		**ABt**	**SBS**	**YTS**		

BENCHMARK	Benchmarks are in Bold. Project number listed where known, otherwise species listed. Benchmarks require 5 quarters, 4 for the SEDAR process and 1 for SSC reporting and projections.
Standard	Standard Projects in Italics. These require 2 quarters.
Update	Update Projects in plain font. These require 1 quarter.

Codes

gT	golden Tilefish	BL	Blueline Tilefish	RS	Red Snapper
S/RT	Scamp, Research Track Pilot	RG	Red Grouper	GG	Gag Grouper
DS	HMS Dusky Shark	VS	Vermilion Snapper	SBS	Sandbar shark
GBt	Gulf Blacktip Shark	GAJ	Greater Amberjack	YTS	Yellowtail Snapper
Abt	Atlantic Blacktip Shark	BSB	Black Sea Bass	RP	Red Porgy
SnG	Snowy Grouper	BPA	Best Practices, Assessments	GS	Gray Snapper, start time TBD
MRIP	Recreational Data Revision				