



Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council

Managing Fishery Resources in the U.S. Federal Waters of the Gulf of Mexico

Committees Schedule & Council Agendaⁱ

Hilton Clearwater Beach Resort

Ballroom A-D

Clearwater Beach, Florida

June 20-24, 2016

Monday, June 20, 2016 – Committee Sessions

8:30 am – 10:00 am: Data Collection Committee (Tab F) – Greg Stunz, *Chair*

- Commercial Electronic Reporting Pilot Program: Program and Timeline Update
- For-Hire Electronic Reporting Program: Technical Committee Review and Recommendations
- Discussion of 2016 Appropriations for Gulf of Mexico Reef Fish Research

10:00 am – 10:30 am: Outreach and Education Committee (Tab O) – Roy Williams, *Chair*

- Report of Outreach and Education Technical Committee meeting

10:30 am – 10:45 am: Break-----

10:45 am – 11:45 am: Gulf SEDAR Committee (Tab I) – Kevin Anson, *Chair*

- SEDAR Steering Committee Report
- SSC Review and Recommendations on Research Track
- SEDAR Schedule Review

– Recess –

1:15 pm – 1:45 pm: Spiny Lobster Committee (Tab K) – Martha Guyas, *Chair*

- 2014/2015 Spiny Lobster Landings and Preliminary 2015/2016 Spiny Lobster Landings
- Review Panel Summary
- Summary of Joint SAFMC/GMFMC Spiny Lobster AP Meeting
- Summary of Special Spiny Lobster and Standing SSC Recommendations

1:45 pm – 2:45 pm: Shrimp Committee (Tab D) – Leann Bosarge, *Chair*

- Overview of Modifications to the Bycatch Reduction Device (BRD) Testing Manual
- Review of Options in Shrimp Amendment 17B Options Document
- Review of Special Shrimp and Standing SSC Recommendations

2:45 pm – 3:00 pm: Break-----

3:00 pm – 5:30 pm: Reef Fish Management Committee (Tab B) – Johnny Greene, *Chair*

- Draft Amendment 36A – Red Snapper IFQ Modifications
- Draft Amendment 46 – Modify Gray Triggerfish Rebuilding Plan

- Mutton Snapper ACLs and Management Measures

– Recess –

Tuesday, June 21, 2016 – Committee Sessions Continued

Personnel Committee will meet during lunch (12:00 pm – 1:25 pm) in closed session

8:30 am – 12:00 pm & 1:30 pm – 5:30 pm: Reef Fish Management Committee Continued (Tab B) – Johnny Greene, *Chair*

- Draft Amendment 41 –Red Snapper Management for Federally Permitted Charter Vessels
- Draft Amendment 42 – Federal Reef Fish Headboat Management
- Ad Hoc Reef Fish Headboat Advisory Panel Summary
- Final Action – Amendment 43 – Hogfish Stock Definition, Status Determination Criteria, Annual Catch Limits, and Minimum Size Limit
- Final Action – Amendment 45 – Extend or Eliminate the Sunset Provision on Sector Separation
- Ad Hoc Advisory Panel for Recreational Red Snapper Management
- Review of Standing and Special Reef Fish SSC Recommendations
 - SEDAR 45 Vermilion Snapper Standard Assessment
 - Market Power Analysis for the Gulf IFQ Programs
 - SSC members serving as Council State Designees
 - Methods to Address Recreational Red Snapper ACL underharvest

– Recess –

Wednesday, June 22, 2016 – Committee Sessions Continued

8:30 am – 10:30 am: Joint Habitat/Coral Committee (Tab N) – Roy Williams/Dale Diaz, *Chairs*

- Update on Gulf Council Activities Supported by NOAA Coral Reef Conservation Program
- Summary of Deep-sea Coral Workshop Report
- 5-year Review Essential Fish Habitat Status Report
- Update on Recommended Coral Habitat Areas of Particular Concern (HAPCs)
- Update on the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary Draft Environmental Impact Statement

10:30 am – 10:45 am: Break -----

10:45 am – 11:45 am: Mackerel Committee (Tab C) – Pamella Dana, *Chair*

- Options Paper: CMP Amendment 29: Allocation Sharing and Accountability Measures for Gulf King Mackerel
- Options Paper: Framework Amendment 5: Modifications to Commercial King Mackerel Permit Restrictions in the Gulf

– Recess –

Wednesday, June 22, 2016 – Council Session

- I. **1:15 pm – 1:25 pm:** Call to Order, Announcements, and Introductions – Anson
- II. **1:25 pm – 1:30 pm:** Adoption of Agendaⁱ and Approval of Minutes
(**Tab A, No. 3 & 4**) – Anson
- III. **1:30 pm – 1:45 pm:** Review of Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) Applications, if any (**Tab S**) – Crabtree/Anson
- IV. **1:45 pm – 5:00 pm:** Public Comment ^{ii, iii, iv, v} – Anson
 - A. Agenda Testimony
 - Final Action Reef Fish Amendment – Amendment 43 – Hogfish Stock Definition, Status Determination Criteria, Annual Catch Limit, and Size Limit
 - Final Action Reef Fish Amendment 45 – Extend or Eliminate the Sunset Provision

B. Open Testimony on any Other Fishery Issues or Concerns

– Recess –

Thursday, June 23, 2016 – Council Session Continued

- V. **8:30 am – 10:30 am:** Presentations
 - U.S. Fish and Wildlife Foundation Restoration Activities (**Tab A, No. 7**) – Constant
 - Update on the Florida RESTORE Act Centers of Excellence Program: Fisheries Monitoring and Research in the Gulf of Mexico (**Tab A, No. 8**) – Fetherston - Resch
 - Joint Law Enforcement Presentation (**Tab A, No. 9**) – Wells
 - Draft Gulf of Mexico Climate Science Action Plan Plan (**Tab A, No. 10a**) Draft Letter (**Tab A, No. 10b**) – Snider/Gregory
 - NMFS-SERO – Landing Summaries (**Tab A, No. 11**) – NMFS

10:30 am – 10:45 am: Break -----

10:45 am – 11:00 am: Presentations

- CCC Meeting Summary (**Tab A, No. 12**) – Simmons/Gregory
Plan EBFM Road-Map (**Tab A, No. 12a**) Draft Letter (**Tab A, No. 12b**) - Kilgour

VI. Committee Reports

- A. **11:00 am – 11:15 am:** Shrimp (**Tab D**) – Bosarge
- B. **11:15 am – 11:30 am:** Spiny Lobster (**Tab K**) – Guyas

– Recess –

- C. **1:00 pm – 1:30 pm:** Data Collection (**Tab F**) – Stunz

- D. **1:30 pm – 1:45 pm:** Outreach and Education (**Tab O**) – Williams
- E. **1:45 pm – 2:30 pm:** Joint Habitat/Coral (**Tab N**) – Williams
- F. **2:30 pm – 3:00 pm:** Reef Fish Management (**Tab B**) – Greene

3:00 pm – 3:15 pm: Break -----

3:15 pm – 5:00 pm: Reef Fish Management Continued (**Tab B**) – Greene

Friday, June 24, 2016 – Council Session

Committee Reports Continued

- G. **8:30 am – 9:15 am:** Mackerel (**Tab C**) – Dana
- H. **9:15 am – 9:45 am:** Gulf SEDAR (**Tab I**) – Anson
- I. **9:45 am – 10:00 am:** Personnel Committee (**Tab H**) - Boyd

VII. **10:00 am – 10:15 am:** Vote on Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) Applications, if any (**Tab S**) – Anson

10:15 am – 10:30 am: Break -----

- VIII. **10:30 am – 11:00 am:** Supporting Agencies Update – Anson
 - o South Atlantic Council Liaison
 - o Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission
 - o U.S. Coast Guard
 - o U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
 - o Department of State

IX. **11:00 am – 11:30 am:** Other Business – Anson

– Adjourn –

ⁱ The established times for addressing items on the Council agendas, except for those setting times for public comment, may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the timely completion of discussion relevant to the agenda items.

ⁱⁱ Persons wishing to give public testimony must turn in a registration card before the beginning of the public comment period. During public comment the Council will hear testimony related to final actions of the Council and pertinent agenda items. Time constraints may limit individual speaking time as determined by the presiding officer.

ⁱⁱⁱ Any oral or written statement shall include a brief description of the background and interests of the person testifying and the source and date of any specific information. Persons wishing to submit written testimony or information can do so by emailing it to gulfcouncil@gulfcouncil.org. All written comments will be posted on the Council’s website for viewing by Council members and the public. **To help ensure that Council members have sufficient time to consider your written testimony, please submit your comments at least three business days prior to the start of the Council meeting.**

^{iv} Oral or written communications provided to the Council are public documents. These communications will be made available to the public in their entirety and maintained by the Council as part of its permanent record. Further, knowingly and willfully submitting false information to the Council is a violation of Federal law.

^v Anyone wishing to use electronic visual aids during public testimony must provide staff with a copy of the material at least one hour before comment begins to allow for a virus scan of said material.

Next Meeting
August 15-19, 2016
 Astor Crowne Plaza
 New Orleans, LA