

Agenda
Coral Working Group Conference Call
Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council
Tampa, Florida (via Webinar)

Monday, September 22, 2014
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

- I. Discussion of potential chair – Kilgour
- II. Adoption of agenda – All participants
- III. Council charge-“to determine the criteria and boundaries, and other specifics for potential sites, and once that has been determined, that this group meet with representatives of any potentially impacted fisheries and members of law enforcement.”– Kilgour
- IV. Brief review of management options- Kilgour
- V. Presentation on previous methodology in Southern California- Etnoyer
- VI. Discuss criteria for identifying sites
 - a. Identify appropriate metrics (species richness, rarity, etc.)
 - b. Identify measurable units (e.g. lease blocks) for determining boundaries
- VII. Identify potential data needs
 - a. Available data
 - b. Potential fishery interactions
 - c. Identify additional data that are needed
- VIII. Other Business

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