

COUNCIL AGENDA
GULF OF MEXICO FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
PERDIDO BEACH RESORT
ORANGE BEACH, ALABAMA
APRIL 13-14, 2011

Wednesday April 13, 2011

- I. Call to Order and Introductions – Shipp
3:30 pm – 3:35 pm
- II. Adoption of Agenda ¹ (Tab A, No. 5) – Shipp
3:35 pm – 3:40 pm
- III. Approval of Minutes (Tab A, No. 6) – Shipp
3:40 pm – 3:45 pm
- IV. Fisheries 101 (Tab O) – Bortone
3:45 pm – 4:00 pm
- V. Public Testimony ^{2,3,4,5} - Shipp
 - a. Exempted Fishing Permits (EFP) – if any
 - b. Interim Rule for Gag Grouper – Shipp
 - c. Open Public Comment Period ^{2,6} – Shipp
4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

- Recess -

¹ The established times for addressing items on the Council and committee agendas, except for those setting times for public testimony or open public comment, may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the timely completion of discussion relevant to the agenda items. Such adjustments may result in the meeting being extended from, or completed prior to the date established by these agendas.

² Persons wishing to testify for either public testimony or open public comment must turn in a registration card before the beginning of the public testimony period; otherwise persons wishing to testify may be denied. One card must be completed for each issue on which persons wish to testify.

³ Persons wishing Council members to have copies of written testimony or information should provide 30 copies to staff for distribution to members. All written information shall include a statement of the source and date of such information. Any oral or written statement shall include a brief description of the background and interests of the person testifying.

⁴ Oral or written communications provided to the Council, its members or its staff that relate to matters within the Council's purview are public in nature. 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.

⁵ Anyone wishing to use electronic visual aids during public testimony must provide staff with a copy of the material at least one hour before testimony begins to allow for a virus scan of said material.

⁶ The Council has set aside this time for open public comment regarding any fishery issue or concern. People wishing to speak before the Council should complete a public comment card, making sure to check the box marked *Open Public Comment*. A note about open public comment: In the interest of giving everyone an opportunity to speak, speakers are asked to limit comments to three minutes. If your sentiments are reflected in comments made by others, please state so and allow the next speaker to address the Council. Individuals may be asked to reduce speaking time even further in order to accommodate all those who wish to speak. The open public comment period will end no later than the time scheduled on the agenda regardless of the number of persons wishing to comment.

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- VI. Presentations (**Tab L**) – Shipp
- a. Fishery Independent/Dependent Sampling – S. Powers
 - b. Oil Spill Recovery in the Gulf of Mexico – T. Baker
8:30 am – 10:00 am
- VII. Committee Reports
- a. Budget/Personnel (**Tab E**) – McIlwain
10:00 am – 10:15 am
 - b. Mackerel Management (**Tab C**) – Sapp
10:15 am – 10:45 am
 - c. Sustainable Fisheries/Ecosystem (**Tab G**) – Riechers
10:45 am – 11:45 am
 - d. Advisory Panel/Scientific & Statistical Committee Selection (**Tabs H & I**) – Shipp
11:45 am – 12:00 noon
 - e. Joint Allocation/Reef Fish (**Tab F**) – Williams/Gill
1:30 pm – 1:45 pm
 - f. Reef Fish (**Tab B**) – Gill
1:45 pm – 3:45 pm
 - g. Joint Shrimp/Reef Fish (**Tab J**) – Perret
3:45 pm – 4:00 pm
- VIII. Other Business (**Tab K**) – Shipp
- a. Meeting Reports – Shipp
 - Report of the South Atlantic Council Meeting – Gill
 - Report of the Council Coordinating Committee Meeting – Leard/Shipp
 - Report of the ICCAT Meeting – Sapp
 - Report of the NMFS Highly Migratory Species Meeting – Sapp
- 4:00 pm – 4:30 pm

– Adjourn –

Following Meeting:

June 6-10, 2011

Marriott Key West Beachside Hotel
2841 North Roosevelt Boulevard
Key West, FL 33040
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