

**COUNCIL AGENDA  
GULF OF MEXICO FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL  
OMNI BAYFRONT HOTEL, NUECES BALLROOM  
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS  
APRIL 18-19, 2012**

**Wednesday April 18, 2012**

- I. Call to Order and Introductions – Gill  
1:00 pm – 1:05 pm
  - II. Adoption of Agenda<sup>1</sup> (**Tab A, No. 5**) – Gill  
1:05 pm – 1:10 pm
  - III. Approval of Minutes (**Tab A, No. 6**) – Gill  
1:10 pm – 1:15 pm
  - IV. Approval of Revised Committee Roster (**Tab A, No. 4**) – Gill  
1:15 pm – 1:20 pm
  - V. Review of Action Schedule (**Tab A, No. 7**) – Gill  
1:20 pm – 1:30 pm
  - VI. Review of Exempted Fishing Permits (EFP) (if any) (**Tab L**) – Crabtree/Gill  
1:30 pm – 1:45 pm
  - VII. Public Comment<sup>2, 3, 4, 5</sup> - Gill
    - a. Agenda Testimony
      - (1) Final Action on Reef Fish Amendment 35 – Greater Amberjack
      - (2) Interim Rule for Gray Triggerfish Annual Catch Limit & In-Season Closure Authority
      - (3) Exempted Fishing Permits (EFP) (if any)
    - b. Open Testimony on any other Fishery Issues or Concerns
- 1:45 pm – 5:30 pm
- Recess –

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<sup>1</sup> The established times for addressing items on the Council and committee 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. Such adjustments may result in the meeting being extended from, or completed prior to the date established by these agendas.

<sup>2</sup> 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 first hear testimony related to final actions of the Council and pertinent agenda items; and then allow for open public testimony regarding any fishery issue or concerns. During public comment, time constraints may limit individual speaking time as determined by the presiding officer. If your sentiments are reflected in comments made by others, please avoid duplication and allow the next speaker to address the Council.

<sup>3</sup> Persons wishing Council members to have copies of written testimony or information should provide 30 copies to staff before public comment begins for distribution to members. All written information shall include a statement of the source and date of such information. 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. Materials submitted to Council members or staff for distribution prior to or during a Council meeting will be treated as all other written comments and will be posted to the website. Any oral or written statement shall include a brief description of the background and interests of the person testifying.

<sup>4</sup> 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.

<sup>5</sup> 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.

**Thursday April 19, 2012**

VIII. Committee Reports

- a. Scientific & Statistical Committee Selection (**Tab I**) – Simpson  
8:30 am – 8:45 am
- b. Outreach & Education (**Tab J**) – Perret  
8:45 am – 9:00 am
- c. Reef Fish (**Tab B**) – Shipp  
9:00 am – 12:00 noon
- d. Budget/Personnel (**Tab K**) – Riechers  
1:30 pm – 1:45 pm
- e. Artificial Reef (**Tab H**) – Anson  
1:45 pm – 2:00 pm
- f. Coral (**Tab F**) – Abele  
2:00 pm – 2:15 pm
- g. Data Collection (**Tab E**) – Pearce  
2:15 pm – 2:30 pm
- h. Mackerel (**Tab C**) – Fischer  
2:30 pm – 3:00 pm

IX. Discussion on Exempted Fishing Permits (if any) (**Tab L**) – Crabtree/Gill  
3:00 pm – 3:15 pm

X. Other Business (**Tab L**) – Gill

- Update on the Status of the Report from the Shrimp Stock Assessment Workshop – Leard
- Rule Making Process Review – Bortone  
3:15 pm – 3:45 pm

– Adjourn –

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**Following Meeting:**

Hilton Westshore Hotel  
2225 North Lois Avenue  
Tampa, FL 33607