

**COUNCIL AGENDA  
GULF OF MEXICO FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL  
CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL  
SALONS A-D  
6121 NORTH IH-35  
AUSTIN, TEXAS 78752  
AUGUST 18-19, 2011**

**Thursday August 18, 2011**

- I. Call to Order and Introductions – Shipp  
9:00 am – 9:05 am
- II. Adoption of Agenda <sup>1</sup> (**Tab A, No. 4**) – Shipp  
9:05 am – 9:10 am
- III. Investiture Ceremony for New Members – Crabtree  
9:10 am – 9: 25 am
- IV. Approval of Minutes – Shipp  
June 2011 (**Tab A, No. 5**)  
July 2011 (**Tab A, No. 6**)  
9:25 am – 9:30 am
- V. Fisheries 101 (**Tab M**) – Bortone/Steele  
9:30 am – 9:45 am
- VI. Committee Reports
  - a. Outreach and Education (**Tab K**)  
9:45 am – 10:00 am
  - b. Advisory Panel Selection (**Tab N**) – Shipp  
10:00 am – 10:15 am
  - c. Joint Mackerel/Reef Fish/Red Drum (**Tab I**) – Fischer/Gill/Pearce  
10:15 am – 10:30 am
  - d. Artificial Reef (**Tab J**) – Greene  
10:30 – 10:45 am
  - e. Data Collection (**Tab F**) – Pearce  
10:45 am – 11:00 am
  - f. Budget/Personnel (**Tab E**) – McIlwain  
11:00 am – 11:15 am
  - g. Administrative Policy (**Tab O**) – Riechers  
11:15 am – 11:30 am

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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 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.

- VII. Public Testimony <sup>2, 3, 4, 5</sup> - Shipp
- a. Exempted Fishing Permits (EFP) – if any
  - b. Final Action on Reef Fish Amendment 32
  - c. Final Action on the Generic Annual Catch Limits/Accountability Measures Amendment
  - d. Final Action Joint Amendment 18 to the Coastal Migratory Pelagics Fishery Management Plan
  - e. Action 4 to the Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment 2
  - f. Regulatory Amendment for Red Grouper Total Allowable Catch & Bag Limit
  - g. Open Public Comment Period <sup>2, 6</sup>  
12:30 pm – 4:30 pm
- VI. Committee Reports – Continued
- h. Mackerel (**Tab C**) – Fischer  
4:30 pm – 4:45 pm

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### **Friday August 19, 2011**

- VI. Committee Reports - Continued
- i. Sustainable Fisheries/Ecosystem (**Tab G**) – Riechers  
8:30 am – 9:30 am
  - j. Reef Fish (**Tab B**) – Gill  
9:30 am – 12:00 noon
- VIII. Other Business (**Tab P**) – Shipp  
12:00 noon – 12:15 pm
- IX. Election of Chair and Vice Chair – Simpson  
12:15 pm – 12:30 pm

– Adjourn –

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### **Following Meeting: October 24-28, 2011, Doubletree Hotel, 300 Canal St., New Orleans, LA**

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<sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>3</sup> 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.

<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 testimony begins to allow for a virus scan of said material.

<sup>6</sup> 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.