

Council Agenda
Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council
Westin Galleria Houston
Monarch Room
Houston, Texas
February 5-6, 2014

Wednesday, February 5, 2014

- I. **1:30 pm – 1:35 pm:** Call to Order and Introductions – Boyd
- II. **1:35 pm – 1:45 pm:** Adoption of Agenda¹ and Approval of Minutes
(Tab A, No. 5, 6) – Boyd
- III. **1:45 pm – 4:30 pm:** Public Comment^{2, 3, 4, 5} – Boyd
 - A. Agenda Testimony
 - 1. Final Action - Mackerel Amendment 20B – Boundaries and Transit Provisions
 - 2. Final Action – Framework Action to Rescind Reef Fish Amendment 30B Permit Conditions
 - B. Open Testimony on any Other Fishery Issues or Concerns
- IV. **4:30 pm – 4:45 pm:** Review of and Vote on Exempted Fishing Permits (EFPs) (if any)
(Tab I) – Crabtree/Boyd
- V. Committee Reports
 - A. **4:45 pm – 5:15 pm:** Outreach and Education **(Tab G)** – Williams
 - B. **5:15 pm – 5:30 pm:** Shrimp **(Tab D)** – Riley

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¹ 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.

* These committees will meet as a Council of the whole.

² 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.

³ 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.**

⁴ 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.

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 comment begins to allow for a virus scan of said material.

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VI. Committee Reports (*continued*)

C. **8:30 am – 11:30 am:** Reef Fish (**Tab B**) – Shipp

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VII. Committee Reports (*continued*)

D. **1:00 pm – 1:30 pm:** Sustainable Fisheries/Ecosystem (**Tab E**) – Riechers

E. **1:30 pm – 2:30 pm:** Mackerel (**Tab C**) – Dana

F. **2:30 pm – 3:30 pm:** Administrative Policy (**Tab H**) – Riechers

G. **3:30 pm – 4:00 pm:** Gulf SEDAR (**Tab F**) – Boyd

VIII. **4:00 pm – 4:30 pm:** Other Business (**Tab I**) – Boyd

- Summary of Electronic Monitoring Meeting – Pearce
- MREP Summary – Cantrell
- Reauthorization of the Magnuson-Stevens Act – Gregory

– Adjourn –

Next Meeting

April 7-11, 2014

Embassy Suites

Baton Rouge, Louisiana