

**AGENDA<sup>1</sup>**  
**GULF OF MEXICO FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**  
**STANDING, SPECIAL MACKEREL, AND ECOSYSTEM**  
**SCIENTIFIC AND STATISTICAL COMMITTEE**  
**GRAND HYATT TAMPA BAY HOTEL**  
**TAMPA, FLORIDA**

**Wed, March 27, 2013: 8:30 am – 5:00 pm**

**Thu, March 28, 2013: 8:30 am – 5:00 pm**

**Wednesday, 8:30 am – 5:00 pm EST**

**Standing and Special Mackerel SSC meeting**

- I. Introductions and Adoption of Agenda – Blount
- II. Approval of July 26-27, 2011 Mackerel SSC summary minutes – Blount
- III. Review SEDAR 28 Benchmark Assessments and ABC – Blount/NMFS SEFSC
  - a. Cobia
  - b. Spanish mackerel
- IV. Other business

**Thursday, 8:30 am – 12:00 pm EST**

**Joint Standing and Ecosystem SSC meeting**

- V. Introductions and Adoption of Agenda – Blount/B. Froeschke
- VI. Approval of September 15, 2011 Ecosystem SSC webinar summary minutes – Blount /B. Froeschke
- VII. Presentation on Management Strategy Evaluations and Integrated Ecosystem Assessments – Schirripa
- VIII. Other Ecosystem Business

**Thursday, 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm EST**

**Standing SSC meeting**

- IX. ABC Control Rule Revisions
  - a. Risk - Setting P\* using “bin” approach - Atran
  - b. Uncertainty – Probability distribution functions
    - i. Martell et al. approach for data poor stocks - Froeschke
    - ii. Averaging multiple states for assessed stocks
    - iii. Other methods
- X. Review of SEDAR Assessment Schedule/Priorities – Blount
- XI. Other Business – Blount

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**Ecosystem SSC**

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**Special Mackerel SSC**

Jason Adriance  
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**1** The established times for addressing items on the SSC agenda 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.

Items deferred until next Reef Fish SSC meeting:

- I. Approval of Reef Fish SSC summary minutes – Blount
  - a. October 9-12, 2012 Reef Fish SSC meeting
  - b. November 8, 2012 Reef Fish SSC webinar