

**Draft Agenda**  
**Technical Subcommittee**  
**Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council**  
**Tampa, FL**  
**May 28-29, 2014**

**Objectives**

- I. Review of agenda – Froeschke
- II. Introductions – Froeschke
- III. Review of charge and timeline - Froeschke
  - a. To develop recommendations for an electronic reporting system for charter vessels to the Councils' by December 1, 2014
- IV. Introduction and background - Froeschke
- V. Development of a charter for-hire electronic reporting program in the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic - Strelcheck
- VI. Objectives and Visioning – Froeschke
  - a. GMFMC and SAFMC - Froeschke/Errigo
  - b. SERO and SEFSC – Brennan/Strelcheck
  - c. MRIP – Salz
  - d. GSMFC and ACCSP – Bray/Cahall
  - e. HMS - Silva
  - f. States – Sauls/Mumford/Fisher
  - g. Stakeholder - Muehlstein

**Process**

- VII. Some Technical Considerations
  - a. Survey, census, or panel?
  - b. Logbook or other type program
  - c. Mandatory versus voluntary reporting
  - d. Reporting compliance and timelines
  - e. Reporting frequency
  - f. Validation and estimation
  - g. Vessel registry improvements
  - h. Other considerations
- VIII. Challenges – Froeschke
  - a. Technical/scientific
    - i. Calibration with existing MRIP and Texas surveys

- b. Budgetary
  - i. Infrastructure
  - ii. Personnel
- c. Process
- d. Who's in charge: program ownership and oversight
- e. Managing expectations

## **Timeline**

- IX. Next steps - Froeschke
  - a. Report to Councils in June 2014
  - b. Receive, respond and incorporate Councils' feedback
  - c. Begin development of regulatory process
    - i. authorize (or require) electronic reporting
    - ii. standardize in Gulf and South Atlantic
    - iii. Accountability measures
    - iv. Catastrophic conditions
  - d. Reconvene August 2014
  - e. Draft report for review by October 15, 2014
  - f. Report due to Council by December 1, 2014

## **Technical Subcommittee Members:**

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Mike Cahall - ACCSP  
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