



Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council

Managing Fishery Resources in the U.S. Federal Waters of the Gulf of Mexico

Committees Schedule & Council Agendaⁱ

Astor Crowne Plaza
Astor Ballroom
New Orleans, Louisiana
January 30 – February 2, 2017

Monday, January 30, 2017 – Committee Sessions

8:30 am – 9:00 am: Administrative/Budget Committee (Tab G) – Kelly Lucas, *Chair*

- Review of Advisory Panels
- Council Participation in Marine Resource Educational Program Workshops

9:00 am – 10:00 am: Data Collection (Tab F) – Greg Stunz, *Chair*

- Presentation Update on CLS America Project
- Final Action – Modifications to Generic Charter Vessel and Headboat Reporting Requirements

10:00 am – 10:15 am: Break-----

10:15 am – 11:15 am: Data Collection Continued (Tab F) – Greg Stunz, *Chair*

- Final Action – South Atlantic Council's modifications to Charter Vessel and Headboat Reporting Requirements

– Recess –

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm: Migratory Species Committee (Tab R) – Pamella Dana, *Chair*

- Presentation – Overview of Management of HMS Species
- Report on the International Commission for the Conservation of Atlantic Tunas (ICCAT) meeting in Portugal

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm: Spiny Lobster Committee (Tab K) – Martha Guyas, *Chair*

- Draft Options Joint Spiny Lobster Regulatory Amendment 4

3:00 pm – 3:15 pm: Break-----

3:15 pm – 4:30 pm: Joint Coral/Habitat Protection & Restoration Committees (Tab N) – John Sanchez and Dale Diaz, *Chairs*

- Presentation on the Biology of Corals
- Revised Scoping Draft of Coral Amendment 7

4:30 pm – 5:30 pm: Shrimp Committee (Tab D) – Dale Diaz, *Chair*

- Public Hearing Draft Shrimp Amendment 17B

– Recess –

Tuesday, January 31, 2017 – Committee Sessions Continued

8:30 am – 12:00 pm & 1:30 pm – 5:30 pm: Reef Fish Management Committee (Tab B) – Johnny Greene, *Chair*

- SEDAR Gag Update Assessment
- Joint Ad Hoc Red Snapper Charter Vessel AP/Ad Hoc Reef Fish Headboat AP Summary
- Public Hearing Draft Amendment 44 – Minimum Stock Size Threshold for Reef Fish Stocks
- Public Hearing Draft Amendment 36A – Modifications to Commercial IFQ Programs
- Public Hearing Draft Amendment 46 – Gray Triggerfish Rebuilding Plan
- Gulf Anglers Focus Group Report
- Presentation and SSC Report on Mechanism to Carry Over the Unharvested Red Snapper ACL to the Following Season
- Presentation on Amendment 36B – Commercial Reef Fish IFQ Modifications
- Options Paper for Amendment 47 – Modify Vermilion Snapper ACLs and MSY Proxy
- Draft Framework Action – Mutton Snapper ACL and Management Measures and Gag Commercial Size Limit

– Recess –

Wednesday, February 1, 2017 – Committee Sessions Continued

8:00 am – 9:00 am: Reef Fish Management Committee Continued (Tab B) – Johnny Greene, *Chair*

- Preliminary 2016 Red Snapper For-Hire Landings Relative to ACL
- Standing and Reef Fish SSC Summary
- Discussion of the 2017 Recreational Fishing Season for Greater Amberjack

9:00 am – 10:30 am: Mackerel Committee (Tab C) – Pamella Dana, *Chair*

- Final Action – CMP Amendment 29 – Allocation Sharing and Accountability Measures for Gulf King Mackerel
- Review of CMP Advisory Panel Meeting & Public Hearing Comments
- Review of SSC Discussion of Updated Gulf King Mackerel

10:30 am – 10:45 am: Break -----

Wednesday, February 1, 2017 – Full Council Session

- I. **10:45 am – 10:50 am:** Call to Order, Announcements, and Introductions – Bosarge
- II. **10:50 am – 10:55 am:** Adoption of Agendaⁱ and Approval of Minutes (Tab A, No. 3 & 4) – Bosarge
- III. **10:55 am – 11:15 am:** Review of Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) Applications, if any (Tab S) – Crabtree/Bosarge

- IV. **11:15 am – 12:15 pm:** Presentations
- National Standard 1 Guideline Revisions (**Tab A, No. 8**) – Lambert
NS1 Final Rule (**Tab A, No. 8a**)
NS1 Final Rule, Redline Version (**Tab A, No. 8b**)
 - Law Enforcement Report on Fiscal 2016 Maritime Boundary Line Activities (**Tab A, No. 9**) – Danaher
 - Commercial Fishing Vessel Classification Standards – Stockdale
Presentation (**Tab A, No. 10a**)
Handout (**Tab A, No. 10b**)

– Recess –

- V. **1:45 pm – 2:15 pm:** Presentations Continued
- Louisiana Law Enforcement Presentation (**Tab A, No. 11**) – Herbert

2:15 pm – 2:30 pm: Break-----

- VI. **2:30 pm – 5:30 pm:** Public Comment **ii, iii, iv, v** – Bosarge
- A. Agenda Testimony
- Final Action on Generic Amendment to Require Electronic Reporting For-Hire Vessels in the Gulf of Mexico
 - Final Action on Coastal Migratory Pelagics Amendment 29: King mackerel Allocation Sharing and Recreational Accountability Measures
 - Final Action – South Atlantic Council’s modifications to Charter Vessel and Headboat Reporting Requirements
- B. Open Testimony on any Other Fishery Issues or Concerns

– Recess –

Thursday, February 2, 2017 – Council Session Continued

VII. **Committee Reports**

- A. **8:00 am – 8:30 am:** Data Collection (**Tab F**) – Stunz
- B. **8:30 am – 9:00 am:** Shrimp (**Tab D**) – Diaz
- C. **9:00 am – 10:30 am:** Reef Fish (**Tab B**) – Green

10:30 am – 10:45 am: Break-----

- D. **10:45 am – 11:45 am:** Mackerel (**Tab C**) - Dana

E. 11:45 am – 12:15 pm: Administrative/Budget (Tab G) – Lucas

– Recess –

F. 1:45 pm – 2:00 pm: Spiny Lobster (Tab K) – Guyas

G. 2:00 pm – 2:15 pm: Migratory Species (Tab R) – Dana

H. 2:15 pm – 2:45 pm: Joint Coral/Habitat Protection & Restoration (Tab N)
–Sanchez/Diaz

2:45 pm – 3:00 pm: Break-----

VIII. 3:00 pm – 3:30 pm: Vote on Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) Applications, if any (Tab S) – Bosarge

- IX. 3:30 pm – 4:00 pm: Supporting Agencies Update – Bosarge
- South Atlantic Council Liaison
 - Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission
 - U.S. Coast Guard
 - U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
 - Department of State

X. 4:00 pm – 4:30 pm: Other Business – Bosarge

– Adjourn –

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Next Meeting</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">April 3 – 7, 2017</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hyatt Regency, The Wynfrey</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Birmingham, Alabama</p>
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ⁱ 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.

ⁱⁱ Persons wishing to give public testimony must register at the registration kiosk in the meeting room 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.

ⁱⁱⁱ 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.**

^{iv} 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.

^v 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.