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Gulf Council to hold Public Hearings on Reef Fish Amendment 28 Red Snapper Allocation

The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council has scheduled a series of public hearings around the Gulf of Mexico beginning Monday, March 10, 2014 through Monday, March 24, 2014. The purpose of the meetings is to solicit public comment on Reef Fish Amendment 28 - Red Snapper Allocation. All meetings will begin at 6:00 pm. local time and will conclude no later than 9 p.m. Note, the call in session will begin at 6:00 p.m. Eastern time.

Amendment 28 examines allocating red snapper resources between the commercial and recreational sectors to increase the net benefits from red snapper fishing and improve the stability of the red snapper component of the reef fish fishery, particularly for the recreational sector.

Public Hearing Schedule

All hearings will begin at 6 pm local time and will conclude after public input has ended, but no later than 9 pm.

March 10, 2014

Fairfield Inn & Suites
3111 Loop Road
Orange Beach, AL 36561

March 17, 2014

Hilton Garden Inn
6717 South Padre Island Drive
Corpus Christi, TX 78412

March 11, 2014

Renaissance Riverview Plaza
64 South Water Street
Mobile, AL 36602

March 18, 2014

Embassy Suites San Antonio
10110 US Highway 281 N
San Antonio, TX 78216

March 12, 2014

Holiday Inn Select
2001 N. Cove Boulevard
Panama City, FL 32405

March 19, 2014

Hilton Garden Inn
750 W. Texas Avenue
Webster, TX 77598

Courtyard Marriott Gulfport
1600 East Beach Boulevard
Gulfport, MS 39501

March 20, 2014

Call-in Session/Webinar
<https://www4.gotomeeting.com/register/670076495>

March 13, 2014

La Quinta Inn & Suites
2610 Williams Boulevard
Kenner, LA 70062

March 24, 2014

Hilton Carillon St. Petersburg
950 Lake Carillon Drive
St. Petersburg, FL 33716

Can't attend any of the meetings? Comments on Reef Fish Amendment 28 will also be accepted online at <http://bit.ly/MS14U0>

Copies of the public hearing documents can be obtained by calling 813-348-1630, or by visiting www.gulfcouncil.org.

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language

interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kathy Pereira at the Council Office at least 5 working days prior to the meeting.

About the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council

The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council is one of eight regional Fishery Management Councils established by the Fishery Conservation and Management Act of 1976. The Council prepares fishery management plans, which are designed to manage fishery resources within the 200-mile limit of the Gulf of Mexico.

Submit comments and stay updated on fishery issues:

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There is also a thermometer for each issue that lets you know where the Council is in the process for that particular amendment, whether it's the scoping phase, final action, or implementation.



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