



Meeting Notice
March 5, 2013

Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council Schedules Scoping Workshops to Discuss For-Hire Red Snapper Days-at-Sea Pilot Program

The Gulf Council has scheduled scoping workshops around the Gulf of Mexico to get public input on a proposed amendment that examines a days-at-sea pilot program for the red snapper for-hire fishery. Scoping workshops are the first and best opportunity for you to make suggestions or raise issues and concerns before the Council begins developing an amendment.

Issues to be discussed include, but are not limited to, the purpose and need for this amendment and the potential management actions that may be considered. Management actions range from the selection of program participants to the establishment of effort and catch validation methods and criteria for program evaluation.

Eight scoping workshops are scheduled around the Gulf. All workshops begin at 6 pm and conclude at the end of public comment, but no later than 9 pm. The workshop schedule is as follows:

March 25, 2013

Courtyard Marriott
1600 E. Beach Boulevard
Gulfport, MS 39501

April 1, 2013

Hilton Galveston Island
5400 Seawall Boulevard
Galveston Island, TX 77551

March 26, 2013

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

April 2, 2013

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

March 27, 2013

Destin Community Center
101 Stahlman Avenue
Destin, FL 32541

Hilton Garden Inn

6717 S. Padre Island Drive
Corpus Christi, TX 78412

Courtyard Marriott

3250 US 41 North
Naples, FL 34103

April 3, 2013

Crowne Plaza New Orleans
2829 Williams Boulevard
Kenner, LA 70062

Copies of the scoping document and other related materials will be available two weeks prior to the first scoping meeting and can be obtained by calling 813-348-1630 or can be downloaded from the Council's website at http://www.gulfcouncil.org/fishery_management_plans/scoping-thru-implementation.php.

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 least five working days prior to the meeting.

About 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.



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