

Spiny Lobster Advisory Panel
Scope of Work
December 7, 2022
Tampa, FL

Agenda Item VII: Presentation: Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary (FKNMS) Expansion Proposal

Action: Presentation, Discussion, and Recommendations

Committee input and next steps: Ms. Dieveney (FKNMS Staff) will present the Proposed Rule for the FKNMS expansion. The AP will have an opportunity to ask questions and provide additional recommendations to the Council. These recommendations will be presented to the Council at its January 2023 meeting along with other AP recommendations that will be used to inform the Council's letter to the Sanctuary as part of the agency consultation process.

Agenda Item VIII: Discussion on Capping the Spiny Lobster Recreational Permit

Action: Discussion

Committee input and next steps: Members of the AP have expressed concern regarding the impacts associated with the recreational harvest of spiny lobster in the FKNMS. The AP can discuss this topic and provide recommendation to the Council as appropriate.

Agenda Item IX: Discussion on Hurricane Ian Impacts to the Spiny Lobster Fishery

Action: Discussion

Committee input and next steps: On September 28, 2022, Hurricane Ian made landfall in southwestern Florida as a Category 4 storm. The AP is encouraged to discuss the effects of the hurricane on the spiny lobster fishery.

Agenda Item X: Public Comment

Action: Information

Committee Input and Next Steps: Members of the public will be able to address the AP with respect to the topics discussed during the meeting and other matters, as time allows.

Agenda Item XI: Other Business

Action: Discussion

Committee Input and Next Steps: Additional items may be brought up for discussion by AP members, time permitting.
