



Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council

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

Committees Schedule & Council Agendaⁱ

January 25 – 28th, 2021

VIRTUAL WEBINAR MEETING

Monday, January 25th – Committee Sessions

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM EST: Administrative/Budget Committee (Tab G) – Mr. Dyskow

- Discussion of Advisory Panels Due for Reappointment in 2021: Reef Fish and Shrimp
- Review 2020 Budget and Expenditures
- Logistics and Estimated Costs of Conducting a Gulf-wide Fishery-Independent Offshore Abundance Study on Red Drum
- Logistics and Estimated Costs of Conducting an Independent Stock Assessment (i.e., outside SEDAR) Process for Gray Triggerfish
- Review of 2021 Projected Budget and Activities

----- Break 10:30 AM – 10:45 AM EST -----

10:45 AM – 12:00 PM EST: Sustainable Fisheries Committee (Tab E) – Mr. Diaz

- Final Action Amendment Reef Fish 48/Red Drum 5: Status Determination Criteria and Optimum Yield for Reef Fish and Red Drum
- SSC Recommendations on Interim Analyses Species and Timing
- Review of Standardized Bycatch Reporting Methodology for the Gulf of Mexico and Joint Fishery Management Plans

----- Lunch 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM EST -----

1:00 PM – 2:30 PM EST: Outreach and Education Committee (Tab O) – Mr. Dyskow

- Presentation: Communication Analytics
- 2021 Council Communications Plan
- Fish Science Web Pages and State Data Collection Infographics
- Presentation: Next O&E Projects
- Update on Commercial Fish Rules
- Outreach and Education Technical Committee Report

----- Break 2:30 PM – 2:45 PM EST -----

2:45 PM – 5:00 PM EST: Mackerel Committee (Tab C) – Mr. Riechers

- Coastal Migratory Pelagics Landings Update
- Draft Document: Coastal Migratory Pelagics Amendment 32
- Gulf of Mexico King Mackerel Presentation

– Recess –

Tuesday, January 26th – Committee Sessions, Continued

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM EST: Reef Fish Committee (Tab B) – Ms. Guyas

- Review of Reef Fish and IFQ Program Landings
- Final Action: Framework Action: Modification of Gray Triggerfish Catch Limits

----- **Break 10:30 AM – 10:45 AM EST** -----

10:45 AM – 11:45 AM EST: Reef Fish Committee *continued* (Tab B) – Ms. Guyas

- Final Action: Framework Action: Modification of the Gulf of Mexico Lane Snapper Catch Limits and Accountability Measures

----- **Lunch 11:45 AM – 12:45 PM EST** -----

12:45 PM – 2:15 PM EST: Reef Fish Committee *continued* (Tab B) – Ms. Guyas

- Final Action: Framework Action: Gulf of Mexico Red Snapper Recreational Data Calibration and Recreational Catch Limits

----- **Break 2:15 PM – 2:30 PM EST** -----

2:30 PM – 5:00 PM EST: Reef Fish Committee *continued* (Tab B) – Ms. Guyas

- Review: SEDAR 70 – Gulf of Mexico Greater Amberjack Stock Assessment
- White Paper: Sector Separation for Four Reef Fish Species

– **Recess** –

5:00 PM – 6:00 PM EST: GMFMC and NOAA Question and Answer Session – Dr. Frazer / Dr. Porch / Mr. Strelcheck

Wednesday, January 27th – Committee Sessions, Continued

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM EST: Reef Fish Committee *continued* (Tab B) – Ms. Guyas

- Review: SEDAR 64 – Stock Assessment Report and SSC Recommendations on Southeastern U.S. Yellowtail Snapper
- Public Hearing Draft Amendment 53: Red Grouper Allocations and Annual Catch Level and Catch Targets
- Remaining Items from SSC Summary Report

----- **Lunch 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM EST** -----

Wednesday, January 27th – Council Session

- I. **1:00 PM – 1:05 PM:** Call to Order, Announcements, and Introductions –
Dr. Frazer
- II. **1:05 PM – 1:10 PM:** Presentation of the 2019 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award, Sgt. Dupre, LDWF – *Dr. Frazer / Mr. Diaz*
- III. **1:10 PM – 1:15 PM:** Adoption of Agendaⁱ and Approval of Minutes (**Tab A, No's. 3 & 4**) – *Dr. Frazer*
- IV. **1:15 PM – 2:15 PM:** Presentations

- Deepwater Horizon Open Ocean Fish Restoration (**Tab A, No. 7**) – *Dr. Reinhardt*
- Update on Southeast For-hire Electronic Reporting (SEFHIER) Program (**Tab A, No. 8**) – *Mr. Hood / Mr. Malinowski*

----- Break 2:15 PM – 2:30 PM EST -----

- V. **2:30 PM – 5:00 PM:** Public Comment *ii, iii, iv* – *Dr. Frazer*
- A. Final Action Amendment Reef Fish 48/Red Drum 5: Status Determination Criteria and Optimum Yield for Reef Fish and Red Drum
 - B. Final Action: Framework Action: Adjust State Recreational Red Snapper Catch Limits
 - C. Final Action: Framework Action: Modification of Gray Triggerfish Catch Limits
 - D. Final Action: Framework Action: Modification of the Gulf of Mexico Lane Snapper Catch Limits and Accountability Measures
 - E. Open Testimony on Other Fishery Issues or Concerns

– Recess –

Thursday, January 28th – Council Session

Committee Reports:

- A. **9:00 AM – 9:30 AM:** Administrative/Budget (**Tab G**) – *Mr. Dyskow*
- B. **9:30 AM – 10:00 AM:** Outreach and Education (**Tab O**) – *Mr. Dyskow*
- C. **10:00 AM – 10:30 AM:** Mackerel (**Tab C**) – *Mr. Riechers*

----- Break 10:30 AM – 10:45 AM EST -----

- D. **10:45 AM – 11:00 AM:** Sustainable Fisheries (**Tab E**) – *Mr. Diaz*
- E. **11:00 AM – 12:00 PM:** Reef Fish (**Tab B**) – *Ms. Guyas*

----- Lunch 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM EST -----

- 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM:** Reef Fish *Continued* (**Tab B**) – *Ms. Guyas*
- F. **2:30 PM – 3:30 PM:** Supporting Agencies Update (**Tab R**) – *Dr. Frazer*
 - South Atlantic Council Liaison – *Mr. Conklin*
 - NOAA Office of Law Enforcement (OLE) (**Tab R, No. 2**) – *Lt. Scarpa*
 - Louisiana Law Enforcement Efforts (**Tab R, No. 3**) – *Major Skena*
 - Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission – *Mr. Donaldson*
 - U.S. Coast Guard – *LTJG. Peterson*
 - U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
 - Department of State

3:30 PM – 4:00 PM: Other Business (**Tab U**) – *Dr. Frazer*

– Adjourn –

Next Meeting

April 12th – 15th

Hybrid Meeting

(Virtual and Face-to-Face)

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ⁱ The established times for addressing items on the Council agendas may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the timely completion of discussion relevant to the agenda items. Public comment may begin earlier than 2:30 pm EST on January 27, 2021 but will not conclude before that time.

ⁱⁱ Persons wishing to give public testimony must call the toll-free number provided on the Council's website and projected on screen during the meeting at the start of the public comment period at 2:30 pm EST on January 27, 2021. 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.

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