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

Committees Schedule & Council Agenda
November 30 – December 1, 2020
VIRTUAL WEBINAR MEETING

Monday, November 30th – Committee Sessions

9:00 AM – 9:30 AM EST: Migratory Species (Tab M) – Dr. Stunz
- Presentation on Draft Amendment 14 to the 2006 HMS Species FMP

9:30 AM – 10:45 AM EST: Sustainable Fisheries (Tab E) – Mr. Diaz
- NOAA Update on Aquaculture Opportunity Areas
- Discussion of the Treatment of Dead Discards by the SEFSC in Stock Assessments
- Final Action Amendment Reef Fish 48/Red Drum 5: Status Determination Criteria and Optimum Yield for Reef Fish and Red Drum

---------- Break 10:45 AM – 11:00 AM EST ----------

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM EST: Shrimp Committee (Tab D) – Ms. Bosarge
- Pilot Program to Evaluate Use of Vessel Navigation System to Measure Shrimping Effort
- Shrimp Advisory Panel Report

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

1:00 PM – 5:30 PM EST: Reef Fish Committee (Tab B) – Ms. Guyas
- Review of Reef Fish Landings
- Draft Framework Action: Modification of the Gulf of Mexico Lane Snapper Annual Catch Limit
- Draft Framework Action: Modifications to Vermilion Snapper and Gray Triggerfish Catch Levels
- Presentation on The Great Red Snapper Count
- Revised Draft Framework Action: Adjust State Recreational Red Snapper Catch Limits

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Tuesday December 1st – Committee Session

9:00 AM – 10:00 AM EST: Ecosystem Committee (Tab Q) – Dr. Shipp

- Update on Gulf of Mexico Fishery Ecosystem Plan
- Southeast Regional Efforts to Build a Foundation for the Fishery Ecosystem Plan

-------- Break 10:00 AM – 10:15 AM EST --------

Tuesday December 1st – Council Session

I. 10:15 AM – 10:20 AM: Call to Order, Announcements, and Introductions – Dr. Frazer

II. 10:20 AM – 10:30 AM: Adoption of Agenda and Approval of Minutes (Tab A, No’s. 3 & 4) – Dr. Frazer

III. 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM: Public Comment – 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. Open Testimony on Other Fishery Issues or Concerns

-------- Lunch 12:30 PM – 1:30 PM EST --------

1:30 PM – 2:30 PM: Public Comment continued – 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. Open Testimony on Other Fishery Issues or Concerns

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

Committee Reports:

A. 2:45 PM – 3:15 PM: Sustainable Fisheries (Tab E) – Mr. Diaz

B. 3:15 PM – 3:45 PM: Shrimp (Tab D) – Ms. Bosarge

C. 3:45 PM – 4:00 PM: Migratory Species (Tab M) – Dr. Stunz

D. 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM: Reef Fish (Tab B) – Ms. Guyas

E. 5:00 PM – 5:15 PM: Ecosystem (Tab Q) – Dr. Shipp

5:15 PM – 5:30 PM: Other Business – Dr. Frazer

– Adjourn –

Next Meeting
January 25th – 28th
Astor Crowne Plaza
New Orleans, LA
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 10:30 am EDT on December 1, 2020 but will not conclude before that time.

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 10:30 am EDT on December 1, 2020. 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.

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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