



Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council

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

Committees Schedule & Council Agendaⁱ June 15-18, 2020

VIRTUAL WEBINAR MEETING

Monday, June 15th – Full Council Closed Session

9:30 AM – 10:45 AM: Closed Session Full Council (Tab T) – Dr. Frazer

- Selection of Coastal Migratory Pelagics Advisory Panel Members
- Selection of Red Drum Advisory Panel Members
- Selection of 2019 Law Enforcement Officer/Team of the Year

----- Break 10:45 AM – 11:00 AM -----

Monday, June 15th – Committee Sessions

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM: Administrative/Budget Committee (Tab G) – Mr. Dyskow

- Discussion of Gulf Council Standard Operating Policies and Procedures - Section 3.0 Council Meetings

----- Lunch 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM -----

1:00 PM – 2:30 PM: Sustainable Fisheries Committee (Tab E) – Mr. Diaz

- Government Accountability Office Report on Allocations
- Update on Allocation Review Working Group

----- Break 2:30 PM – 2:45 PM -----

2:45 PM – 4:00 PM: Sustainable Fisheries Committee continued (Tab E) – Mr. Diaz

- Final Action – Framework Action: Modification of Fishing Access in Eastern Gulf of Mexico Marine Protected Areas
- Report from Joint Working Group on Section 102: Modernizing Recreational Fisheries Management Act of 2018

– Recess –

Tuesday, June 16th – Committee Sessions, Continued

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

- Update on Federal Fisheries Assistance Package, Process, and Status
- Status of Gulf State Recreational Data Collection Programs and 2020 Red Snapper Seasons
- Review of Reef Fish and Coastal Migratory Pelagics Landings

----- Break 10:30 AM – 10:45 AM -----

10:45 AM – 12:00 PM: Reef Fish Committee continued (Tab B) – Ms. Guyas

- Presentation and Discussion on Calibration Process for Red Snapper with the Gulf States
- Discussion of Fishing Industry Impacts Due to COVID-19 and Potential Emergency Rule Requests

----- Lunch 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM -----

1:00 PM – 2:00 PM: Reef Fish Committee continued (Tab B) – Ms. Guyas

- Review of SEDAR 67: Gulf of Mexico Vermilion Snapper Stock Assessment and SSC Recommendations

----- Break 2:00 PM – 2:15 PM -----

2:15 PM – 4:00 PM: Reef Fish Committee continued (Tab B) – Ms. Guyas

- Update on the Recreational Closure Analysis for Gulf Red Grouper
- Draft Framework Action: Modification of the Gulf of Mexico Lane Snapper Annual Catch Limit

– Recess –

Wednesday, June 17th – Committee Sessions, Continued

9:30 AM – 10:30 AM: Gulf SEDAR Committee (Tab I) – Dr. Frazer

- Summary Report from the SEDAR Steering Committee
- Review of Gulf of Mexico SEDAR Schedule

----- Break 10:30 AM – 10:45 AM -----

10:45 AM – 12:00 PM: Data Collection Committee (Tab F) – Mr. Anson

- Update on Commercial Electronic Logbook Pilot Project
- Update on Southeast For-hire Electronic Reporting (SEFHIER) Program

----- Lunch 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM -----

Wednesday, June 17st – Council Session

- I. **1:00 PM – 1:15 PM:** Call to Order, Announcements, and Introductions –
Dr. Frazer
- II. **1:15 PM – 1:20 PM:** Adoption of Agendaⁱ and Approval of Minutes (**Tab A, No's. 3, 4, & 5**) – *Dr. Frazer*
- III. **1:20 PM – 3:30 PM:** Public Comment ^{ii, iii, iv} – *Dr. Frazer*
 - A. Final Action - Framework Action: Modification of Fishing Access in Eastern Gulf of Mexico Marine Protected Areas
 - B. Open Testimony on Other Fishery Issues or Concerns

- Recess -

Thursday, June 18st – Council Session

Committee Reports:

A. **9:30 AM – 11:00 AM:** Reef Fish (**Tab B**) – *Ms. Guyas*

----- **15-minute break when convenient** -----

B. **11:00 AM – 11:30 AM:** Gulf SEDAR (**Tab I**) – *Dr. Frazer*

C. **11:30 AM – 11:45 AM:** Data Collection (**Tab F**) – *Mr. Anson*

D. **11:45 AM – 12:00 PM:** Announcement of 2019 Law Enforcement Officer or Team of the Year Selection – *Mr. Diaz*

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

E. **1:00 PM – 2:30 PM:** Sustainable Fisheries (**Tab E**) – *Mr. Diaz*

F. **2:30 PM – 2:45 PM:** Administrative/Budget (**Tab G**) – *Mr. Dyskow*

G. **2:45 PM – 3:45 PM:** Supporting Agencies Update (**Tab R**) – *Dr. Frazer*

- South Atlantic Council Liaison
- NOAA Office of Law Enforcement (OLE)
- Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission
- U.S. Coast Guard
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- Department of State

3:45 PM – 4:00 PM: Other Business – *Dr. Frazer*

- Adjourn -

Next Meeting

August 24th – 27th

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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 1:20 pm EDT on June 17, 2020 but will not conclude before that time.

ⁱⁱ Persons wishing to give public testimony must register on the Council website before the start of the public comment period at 1:20 pm EDT on June 17, 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.

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.

^{iv} Oral or written communications provided to the Council are public documents. These communications will be made available to the public in their entirety and maintained by the Council as part of its permanent record. Further, knowingly and willfully submitting false information to the Council is a violation of Federal law.