

Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council Proposed Actions for 2023

Gulf Meeting Dates:					2022													2023												
Action	Start (Mon/Yr)	Rank	Council	Gulf/NMFS Lead	IPF	Oct	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec												
1 Framework Action: Modifications to Red Snapper State Calibration Ratios and Gray Snapper Catch Limits	01/23	A	Gulf	LH/DL	Yes					Draft		Final	Transmit																	
2 Reef Fish Amendment 56: Establish Rebuilding Plan, Sector Allocations, and Catch Levels for Gag	01/22	A	Gulf	RR/DL	Yes	Draft	Draft			PH Draft	PHs	Final	Transmit																	
3 Abbreviated Framework Action to Modify For-hire Trip Declaration Requirements	04/22	A	Gulf	CRS/RM	Yes	Draft	Final	Set aside by Court Ruling																						
4 Framework Action: To Modify Commercial and Recreational Management Measures for Greater Amberjack	08/22	A	Gulf	LH/DL	Yes	Presentation	Draft					Draft	Final	Transmit																
5 Joint Amendment to require electronic reporting for commercial logbooks	02/13	A	Gulf/SA	LH/RM	Yes	Reef Fish AP / SA Council Update	Draft		SA Council	PH Draft			Mailout	Virtual PH	South Atlantic Council Final	Gulf Council Final														
6 Reef Fish Amendment 36B: Permit Requirement for Shareholders in the IFQ Programs	01/16	B	Gulf	AL/PH	Yes	Discuss Focus Group Meeting	Discuss Focus Group Report #2			Discuss IFQ Objectives		Review Program Goals																		
7 Framework Action: Modifications to Gag/Black Grouper Recreational Possession Limits and Gag Spatial Area Closures	01/23	B	Gulf		No											Draft														
8 Generic EFH Amendment	4/19	B	Gulf	LH/RM	Yes	Draft			EFH RFP		Begin Contract						6-mo. Project Update													
9 Revisions to the ABC Control Rule	03/12	B	Gulf	RR/RM	No		SSC Discuss						SSC Discuss	Council Discuss																
10 Snapper Grouper Amendment 44 and Reef Fish Amendment 55 yellowtail snapper	10/15	B	Gulf/SA	CRS/KO	Yes	Reef Fish AP						Draft			South Atlantic Draft/Select PH Locations	Gulf Council Draft/Select PH Locations		South Atlantic PH Draft												
11 Framework Action: Modification of the Vessel Position Data Collection Program for the Gulf of Mexico Shrimp Fishery	11/20	B	Gulf	MF/FH	Yes	Update on Pilot Study				Update on Pilot Study & Testing						Update on testing														
12 Reef Fish Amendment x: Scamp and Yellowmouth Grouper Catch Level Changes and Management Considerations	10/22	B	Gulf	AD	No				SSC	SSC Report		SSC Report		Draft Options		Draft Amendment														
13 Document to review the state specific private angler licensing and reporting requirements currently used to define offshore anglers in each state	10/22	B	Gulf	CRS	No		Presentation			SERO Presentation & Discuss						Discuss at GSMFC														
14 Fishery Ecosystem Plan	10/18	B	Gulf	NM/KO	Yes					ETC Meeting		ETC Report			ETC Meeting	ETC Report														
15 Reef Fish Amendment x: Develop Framework for Regulatory Streamlining	04/23	B	Gulf	TBD	No																									
16 Reef Fish Amendment x: Red Snapper Private Angling Allocations	04/23	B	Gulf	AL/	No																									
17 Coral Amendment 10	10/19	C	Gulf	NM/KO	No												Convene Coral WG													
18 Framework Action: Modifications to Vermilion Snapper Bag Limits and Gray Triggerfish Recreational Fixed Closed Seasons	06/20	C	Gulf	CRS	No																									
19 Reef Fish Amendment x: Sector Allocations and Catch Levels for Red Snapper	01/21	C	Gulf	TBD	No																									
20 Reef Fish Amendment 36C: Commercial IFQ Modifications	08/19	C	Gulf	AL/AD/PH	Yes	Discuss Focus Group Meeting	Discuss Focus Group Report #2			Discuss IFQ Objectives		Review Program Goals																		
21 Amendment x: Evaluate if Unassessed Species are Still in Need of Federal Management; Review and Update Annual Catch Limits as Applicable	10/21	C	Gulf	TBD	No																									
22 Amendment x: State Management of Recreational Greater Amberjack	08/22	C	Gulf	TBD	No																									
23 Sector Separation: Greater Amberjack, Gray Triggerfish, Gag, and Red Grouper	08/22	C	Gulf	TBD	No																									
<b>COMPLETED ACTIONS:</b>																														
24 Reef Fish Amendment 54: Modify Rebuilding Plan and Set Sector Allocations and Catch Levels for Greater Amberjack	01/21		Gulf	JF/KO			Transmit			NOA/Proposed Rule Published																				
25 Framework Action: Modification of the Commercial Trip Limits for Gray Triggerfish	06/20		Gulf	CRS/PH	Yes	Draft	Final			Transmit																				

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26	Framework Action: Establish Catch Levels for Red Snapper	04/22		Gulf	RR/DL				Proposed Rule Published																					
27	Framework Amendment 12: Modification of the King Mackerel Gillnet Weekend and Holiday Season Closures	04/22		Gulf	NM/KO	Yes	Draft			Final	Transmit																			
28	Framework Action: Modification to Location Reporting Requirements for For-Hire Vessels	04/21		Gulf	CRS/RM				Set aside by Court Ruling																					
29	Historical Captain Permits Conversion	08/21		Gulf	AD/RM			Proposed rule published																						
30	Framework Action: Gulf of Mexico Red Snapper Catch Limits	01/21		Gulf	JF/RM			Effective Jan 1																						
31	Framework Action: Modify Vermilion Snapper Catch Limits	06/20		Gulf	AD/RM			Proposed Rule Published (Dec)			Final Rule Published	Effective May 25																		

**NOTE:**  
PH = Public Hearing  
AP = Advisory Panel  
SA = South Atlantic  
WG = Working Group

**KEY:**  
Draft - Framework Actions (options/alternatives)  
PH Draft - Draft for Public Hearings  
IPT - Interdisciplinary Planning Team

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