

Agenda
Reef Fish Management Committee
Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council

The Lodge at Gulf State Park
Gulf Shores, Alabama

Tuesday, April 9th, 2024
8:00 AM – 5:00 PM CDT / 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM EDT

- I. Adoption of Agenda **(Tab B, No. 1)** – Dr. Frazer
- II. Approval of January 2024 Minutes **(Tab B, No. 2)** – Dr. Frazer
- III. Action Guide and Next Steps **(Tab B, No. 3)** – Mr. Rindone
- IV. Review of Reef Fish and Individual Fishing Quota Program Landings
 - a. Presentation **(Tab B, No. 4a)** – Mr. Helies
 - b. State Surveys for Private Angling Red Snapper Landings – State Representatives
 - i. Florida **(Tab B, No. 4b)** – Dr. Sweetman
 - ii. Alabama **(Tab B, No. 4c)** – Mr. Anson
 - iii. Mississippi **(Tab B, No. 4d)** – Gen. Spraggins
 - iv. Louisiana **(Tab B, No. 4e)** – Mr. Schieble
 - v. Texas **(Tab B, No. 4f)** – Mr. Geeslin
- V. Presentation: 2024 Gag and Red Grouper Recreational Season Projections – Mr. Strelcheck **(Tab B, No. 5)**
- VI. Discussion of Conservation and Management of Wenchman in the Mid-water Snapper Complex – Mr. Rindone
 - a. Presentation **(Tab B, No. 6a)**
 - b. Background: Draft Options Document **(Tab B, No. 6b)**
 - c. Background: March 2023 Gulf SSC Meeting Summary **(Tab B, No. 6c)**
 - d. Background: May 2023 Gulf SSC Meeting Summary **(Tab B, No. 6d)**

----- Break 10:00 AM – 10:15 AM CDT / 11:00 AM – 11:15 AM EDT -----

- VII. Draft Options: Reef Fish Amendment 58: Modifications to Shallow Water Grouper Complex Catch Limits and Management Measures – Mr. Rindone
 - a. Presentation: SSC Recommendations on Black Grouper and Yellowfin Grouper **(Tab B, No. 7)** – Dr. Nance
 - b. Presentation: Management Options **(Tab B, No. 7b)**
 - c. ~~Background: Draft Options Document **(Tab B, No. 7c)**~~
 - d. Background: February 2024 Gulf SSC Meeting Summary **(Tab B, No. 7d)**

----- Lunch 12:00 PM – 1:30 PM CDT / 1:00 PM – 2:30 PM EDT -----

- VIII. Review: February 2024 Gulf SSC Meeting Summary (**Tab B, No. 7d**) – Dr. Nance
- a. Presentation (**Tab B, No. 7**) – Dr. Nance
 - i. SEDAR 85: Gulf Yellowedge Grouper Assessment and Projections
 - 1. Fishermen Feedback for SEDAR 85 – Ms. Muehlstein (**Tab B, No. 8ai1**)
 - ii. Other Deepwater Grouper Landings Data and Catch Limits
 - iii. Gulf of Mexico Red Snapper Research Track SEDAR 74
 - iv. Comparison of the Reef Fish and Snapper Grouper Fisheries of the Southeastern US
 - v. 2024 Gulf Red Grouper Interim Analysis Review

----- **Break 3:00 PM – 3:15 PM CDT / 4:00 PM – 4:15 PM EDT** -----

- IX. Presentation on Reef Fish Amendment 60: Individual Fishing Quota Programmatic Distributional Issues – Dr. Diagne
- a. Presentation (**Tab B, No. 9**)
- X. Other Business – Dr. Frazer

Adjourn on Tuesday, April 9th, 2024 by 5:00 PM CDT / 6:00 PM EDT

Members

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| Frazer, <i>Chair</i> | McDermott |
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