## Reef Fish Committee Action Guide and Next Steps for Tab B

**Agenda Item IV:** Reef Fish Landings

**Timeline Status:** Background Information (no presentation)

**Council input and next steps:** This document is provided by NMFS and provides the status of reef fish landings relative to ACLs. This is provided for information only. There will be no presentation. This is an ongoing report to the Council and requires no action by the Committee.

**Agenda Item V:** Presentation of 2019 For-hire Red Snapper Fishing Season

**Timeline Status:** Background Information

Council input and next steps: The Committee will review season length projections for the

federal for-hire fishing season for red snapper.

**Agenda Item VI:** Final Action: Draft Amendment 50: State Management Program for

Recreational Red Snapper and Individual State Amendments

**Timeline Status:** Final Action

**Council input and next steps:** Staff will review the actions and alternatives in the documents and the Committee should review all preferred alternatives, making any changes as appropriate. Beginning with the Program Amendment followed by each of the 5 individual state amendments, as appropriate, the Committee should recommend the Council approve each amendment and that each be forwarded to the Secretary of Commerce for review and implementation.

**Agenda Item VII:** Final Action: Red Grouper Framework Action to Modify Annual Catch

Limits and Annual Catch Targets

**Timeline Status:** Final Action

Council input and next steps: The Committee will review its preferred alternative to reduce the red grouper annual catch limits and annual catch targets, in response to an interim stock analysis by the Southeast Fisheries Science Center and public testimony. The Committee will also review the codified text and a summary of public comments received. This framework action is based largely on the commensurate emergency rule published by the National Marine Fisheries Service at the Council's request. If the management action is deemed necessary and

appropriate, the Committee will recommend the Council certify it as such, and that the framework action be transmitted to the Secretary of Commerce for implementation.

**Agenda item VIII:** Draft Options: Framework Action to Modify Greater Amberjack

**Commercial Trip Limits** 

**Timeline Status:** Draft Framework Action

**Council input and next steps:** Staff will present the purpose and need and proposed alternatives for reducing the commercial trip limit for greater amberjack below 1,500 pounds gutted weight. The Committee will review the proposed alternatives and recommend any modifications to the Council. Staff will plan to bring a final version of the framework action back to the Council in June 2019.

**Agenda item IX:** Draft Reef Fish Amendment 52: Red Snapper Reallocation

**Timeline Status:** Draft Options

**Council input and next steps:** Staff will present updated draft options for reallocation between the commercial and recreational sectors. The Committee is expected to review the draft options and provide guidance to staff on further development of these options. Timeline and next steps are dependent on the Committee's recommendations.

**Agenda item X:** Draft Amendment 36B: Modifications to Commercial IFQ Programs

**Timeline Status:** Draft Amendment

**Council input and next steps:** Staff will review the IFQ program goals and objectives in terms of the actions in the draft amendment. The Committee should continue to discuss the newly added goals in the context of the proposed actions in the amendment, and provide guidance to staff regarding the development of the actions and alternatives.

**Agenda item XI:** SSC Report

**Timeline Status:** Information

Council input and next steps: The Committee will hear a summary of the SSC meeting held on

March 13-14, 2019.

**Agenda Item XII:** Other business

**Timeline Status:** Additional items that can be brought up for discussion, but no action can

be taken since they have not been announced

**Council Input and Next Steps:** Additional items may be brought up for discussion by Committee members, time permitting. If the committee wishes to pursue action, then action can be scheduled at a future Council meeting.