

**Shrimp Committee  
Action Guide and Next Steps for Tab D**

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**Agenda Item IV:** Update on Effort Data Collection for 2021

**Timeline Status:** Information

**Council input and next steps:** The Committee will be presented with an update on retrieval of data from cELB units in use aboard federally permitted Gulf shrimp vessels, since 3G transmission was discontinued in December 2020. The Committee should consider the presentation and ask questions. This information does not require any formal Committee action.

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**Agenda Item V:** Draft Framework Action: Modification of the Vessel Position Data Collection Program for the Gulf of Mexico Shrimp Fishery

**Timeline Status:** Information and feedback

**Council input and next steps:** The Committee will be presented with a draft framework amendment to transition the Gulf shrimp fishery from the expired 3G cELB to a new device collecting vessel position data for the purpose of maintaining effort estimation. Staff will review draft alternatives, as well as other potential decision points. The Committee should ask questions, and provide staff with further direction for the draft framework amendment. The Committee should also discuss the comparison table of draft cELB and current NOAA OLE VMS specifications as presented by Ms. Bosarge, as the table relates to alternatives considered in Action 1.

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**Agenda Item VI:** Section 7 Consultation on the Shrimp Industry and Protected Species

**Timeline Status:** Information

**Council input and next steps:** The Committee will be presented with a summary of the new ESA biological opinion on the Implementation of the Sea Turtle Conservation Regulations under the ESA and the Authorization of the Southeast U.S. Shrimp Fisheries in Federal Waters under the Magnuson Stevens Fishery Management and Conservation Act that was signed on April 26, 2021. The Committee should consider the presentation and ask questions. This information does not require any formal Committee action.

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