

# Allocation Review Schedule



**January 2024**

# Outline

- ❖ Start dates for initial allocation reviews set in Council's allocation review guidelines
- ❖ Completed amendments including allocation reviews
- ❖ Ongoing amendments with allocation reviews
- ❖ Council's motions
- ❖ Proposed allocation review timeline

# Expected start dates of initial allocation reviews

<b>Allocations</b>	<b>Time Intervals</b>	<b>First review (expected start)</b>
Recreational <b>red snapper</b> ACL allocation between the private angling and federal for-hire components	4 years	April 2023
<b>Red snapper</b> allocations between the Gulf states	5 years	April 2024
<b>Gray triggerfish</b> and <b>greater amberjack</b> allocations between the recreational and commercial sectors	6 years	April 2025
Gulf of Mexico group <b>king mackerel</b> allocations between the recreational and commercial sectors, zones, and gear types	6 years	April 2025
Recreational and commercial allocations of <b>red snapper</b> , <b>gag</b> , <b>red grouper</b> and, <b>SWG</b> , <b>DWG</b> , and <b>tilefish</b> IFQ aggregates	7 years	April 2026
<b>Black grouper</b> , <b>mutton snapper</b> , <b>yellowtail snapper</b> allocations between the Gulf and South Atlantic Councils	7 years	April 2026

# Completed Allocation Amendments and Reviews

**Reef Fish Amendment 53:** Commercial/recreational allocation review and reallocation for **red grouper**

- ❖ Final rule effective: June 1, 2022
- ❖ Next allocation review: June 1, 2029

**Reef Fish Amendment 54:** Commercial/recreational allocation review and reallocation for **greater amberjack**

- ❖ Final rule effective: July 17, 2023
- ❖ Next allocation review: July 17, 2029

# Completed Allocation Amendments and Reviews

**Reef Fish Amendment 56:** Commercial/recreational allocation review and reallocation for **gag**

- ❖ Final rule effective: February 2024
- ❖ Next allocation review: February 2031

**CMP Amendment 33:** Commercial/recreational allocation review and reallocation alternatives for Gulf group **King mackerel**.

- ❖ Council maintained **status quo** (October 27, 2022)
- ❖ Next allocation review: October 27, 2028

# Allocation Amendments and Reviews under Development

**South Atlantic Amendment 44 / Gulf Reef Fish Amendment 55:**  
South Atlantic/Gulf of Mexico allocation review and reallocation alternatives for **yellowtail snapper**

- ❖ **Motion:** To recommend moving Snapper Grouper Amendment 44/ Reef Fish Amendment 55 to **priority level C** and continue work on this document after completion of the updated SEDAR 64 Operational Assessment that incorporates calibrated SRFS recreational landings estimates, and requests that the South Atlantic Council also consider the same. **(October 2023)**

**Reef Fish Amendment 58:** Commercial/recreational allocation review and reallocation for **other shallow water grouper (SWG)**

# Red Snapper Allocation Reviews

Recreational and commercial allocations ( April 2027)

Recreational allocation between the private angling and federal for-hire components (April 2023 - preliminary work)

Private recreational allocations between the five states

- ❖ **Motion:** To direct staff to begin work on a plan amendment to look at updating the states private recreational allocations. (April 2023)
- ❖ **State Directors** plan to meet to discuss alternative allocations between the states

# Council Motion - October 2023

**Motion:** The Gulf Council will delay any changes in allocation between the commercial and recreational sectors of any Gulf fishery resources that are subject to MRIP-FES until such time as the 2024 pilot study has been completed and deemed consistent with BSIA by the Gulf SSC.



Allocations	Allocation Reviews/Amendments			
	Initial	Status	Next	Revised Initial
Recreational <b>red snapper</b> ACL allocation between the private angling and federal for-hire components	Apr 2023	Preliminary work		Aug 2027
<b>Red snapper</b> allocations between Gulf states	Apr 2024			Oct 2027
<b>Gray triggerfish</b> allocations between the recreational and commercial sectors	Apr 2025			Jan 2027
<b>Greater amberjack</b> allocations between the recreational and commercial sectors	Apr 2025	7/17/2023	7/17/2029	
Gulf of Mexico group <b>king mackerel</b> allocations between the recreational and commercial sectors, zones, and gear types	Apr 2025	10/27/2022	10/27/2028	
Recreational and commercial allocations of <b>red snapper</b>	Apr 2026			April 2027
Recreational and commercial allocations of <b>gag</b>	Apr 2026	Feb 2024*	Feb 2031*	
Recreational and commercial allocations of <b>red grouper</b>	Apr 2026	6/1/2022	6/1/2029	
Recreational and commercial allocations of <b>SWG</b> IFQ aggregate	Apr 2026	Ongoing		
Recreational and commercial allocations of <b>DWG and Tilefish</b> IFQ aggregates	Apr 2026			Jan 2028
<b>Yellowtail snapper</b> allocation between the Gulf and South Atlantic Councils	Apr 2026	Ongoing		
<b>Black grouper, mutton snapper</b> allocations between the Gulf and South Atlantic Councils	Apr 2026			Apr 2028

**Thank you**

# Definitions

- ❖ **Fisheries Allocation:** a “direct and deliberate distribution of the opportunity to participate in a fishery among identifiable, discrete user groups or individuals.”
- ❖ **Fisheries Allocation Review:** the evaluation that leads to the decision of whether or not the development and evaluation of allocation options is warranted, but is not, in and of itself, an implicit trigger to consider alternative allocations.
- ❖ **Evaluation of Fisheries Allocation Options for an FMP Amendment:** If the allocation review determines a reallocation is warranted, then the full analysis and evaluation of **allocation options** should be initiated. The goal is an FMP amendment to update the allocation or maintain status quo.