

Council Actions in Response to Motions from the Nov. 2020 Shrimp AP Meeting



Motion #1

(Abbreviated Motion – entire text is on page 4 of the Meeting Minutes)

Motion: The Shrimp AP requests the Council to request NMFS to fully implement and fund a new shrimp effort data collection system, otherwise known as electronic logbooks, in the Gulf of Mexico beginning in 2021 based on the methods and results of the Pilot Program using P-Sea WindPlot technology conducted by Dr. Gallaway.

**Agenda Item IX contains the response to the Shrimp AP's motion:
Council letter regarding the P-Sea WindPlot pilot program**



Motion #2

Motion: To recommend that the Council select the option of status quo so as not to be burdensome for the industry where the reporting aligns with the current reporting requirements.

Response – The Council is still evaluating a path forward with effort data collection programs. Agenda Item IX will cover programs being explored.



Motion #3

Motion: The Shrimp AP requests the Council to -

- engage the Shrimp AP in the NOAA Aquaculture Opportunity Area initiative to the maximum extent practicable; and
- utilize all available shrimp fishing effort data, including all tow points, in its own evaluations of proposed Aquaculture Opportunity Areas for the purpose of minimizing any impacts on the shrimp fishery, and to provide such input to NOAA.

Agenda Item X contains the two responses to the Shrimp AP's motion:

- (1) Presentation on Aquaculture Opportunity Areas in the Gulf of Mexico**
- (2) Council letter requesting establishment of fishery stakeholder advisory panel**

