

**Gulf Council Motions Report
October 26 – 28, 2020
Webinar**

FULL COUNCIL

Review and Adoption of the October 2020 through August 2021 Council Committee Roster

Motion: To approve the October 2020 through August 2021 Council Committee roster as presented.

Motion carried with no opposition.

DATA COLLECTION

No motions.

ADMINISTRATIVE/BUDGET

Review Expenditures for No Cost Extension Request (FY 2015-2019) and 2020 Budget and Expenditures

Motion: To approve the no cost extension request based on FY 2015-2019 activities as written.

Motion carried with no opposition.

Review and Discuss Scope of Work (FY 2015-2019) Activities

Motion: To request staff provide guidance on using 2020 budget funds for the intention of red drum independent offshore purse seine data and an independent stock assessment on gray triggerfish.

Motion carried with no opposition.

GULF SEDAR

No motions.

SUSTAINABLE FISHERIES

No motions.

MACKEREL

Review of SEDAR 38 Update: Gulf of Mexico King Mackerel Stock Assessment

Motion: To direct staff to start a plan amendment to look at sector allocations as well as adjust catch limits for Gulf king mackerel.

Dr. Crabtree – yes	Mr. Schieble – yes	Dr. Shipp – no
Mr. Anson – yes	Mr. Diaz – yes	Mr. Williamson – no
Ms. Boggs – yes	Dr. Stunz – no	Mr. Dyskow – no
Mr. Sanchez – yes	Mr. Swindell – yes	Mr. Dugas – no
Ms. Bosarge – yes	Mr. Spraggins – yes	Dr. Frazer – abstain
Mr. Riechers – no	Ms. Guyas – yes	

Motion carried 10 to 6 with one abstention by roll call vote.

LAW ENFORCEMENT

Law Enforcement Technical Committee (LETC) March 2020 Meeting Summary

Motion: Recommend to NOAA that the JEA priorities be expanded to include patrol and investigative efforts for federal charter for-hire permit violations. Along with expanding the JEA priorities, NOAA should establish an intelligence gathering program that will work with their federal for-hire permit holders to identify suspect vessels and to report this information to state law enforcement partners.

Motion carried with no opposition.

REEF FISH

Public Hearing Draft Amendment 53: Red Grouper Catch Limits and Sector Allocations

Motion: To refer the SEDAR 61 Red Grouper stock assessment back to the SSC so that the SSC can provide further discussion and explanation on the differences between historical recreational landings time series and what the stock assessment model has estimated as recreational landings.

Motion carried with no opposition.

Gray Triggerfish Interim Analysis

Motion: To direct staff to combine Gray Triggerfish with the Vermillion Snapper framework action for the purpose of adjusting catch levels to utilize the information from the interim analysis.

Motion carried with no opposition.

Motion: To add an action to modify the recreational fixed closed season for gray triggerfish by removing the January and February closure.

Motion carried with no opposition.