



# Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council

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## **Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council Convenes its Ad Hoc Head Boat Advisory Panel**

The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council will convene a meeting of its Ad Hoc Head Boat Advisory Panel Tuesday, September 27, 2011 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Gulf Council Office – 2203 N. Lois Avenue, in Tampa, Florida.

The panel will consider potential headboat pilot programs in the Gulf of Mexico. Issues to be discussed include the design, implementation, monitoring, review, and evaluation of headboat pilot programs.

Copies of the agenda and other related materials can be obtained by calling 813-348-1630, or they can be downloaded from the Council's ftp site at [ftp.gulfcouncil.org](ftp://ftp.gulfcouncil.org).

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agenda may come before the Advisory Panel for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Actions of the Ad Hoc Headboat Advisory Panel will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under Section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take action to address the emergency.

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kathy Pereira at the Council at least five working days prior to the meeting.

The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council is one of eight regional fishery management councils established by the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act of 1976. The Council prepares fishery management plans designed to manage fishery resources in the Exclusive Economic Zone of the U.S. Gulf of Mexico.

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