



# Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council

*Managing Fishery Resources in the U.S. Federal Waters of the Gulf of Mexico*

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## **Meeting Notice**

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## **Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council to Convene its Shrimp Advisory Panel**

The Gulf Council's Shrimp Advisory Panel will meet Tuesday January 17, 2012 via telephone conference. The conference call will begin at 9 a.m. eastern time and conclude by noon.

The Advisory Panel will receive the following reports:

- Biological Review of the 2011 Cooperative Texas Closure
- Change in Yield

The Shrimp Advisory Panel will then consider recommendations to the Council for a 2012 closure.

Finally, the Advisory Panel will receive an update of the new stock assessments being developed for shrimp stocks in the Gulf of Mexico.

Copies of the agenda can be obtained by calling the Council office at 813-348-1630. Information on how to participate in the conference call will be posted on the Council web site -

[http://gulfcouncil.org/council\\_meetings/panel\\_committee\\_meetings.php](http://gulfcouncil.org/council_meetings/panel_committee_meetings.php) - when available.

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 (M-SFCMA), those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Actions of the Advisory Panel will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda, as well as any issues that may arise after publication of this notice that require emergency action under Section 305(c) M-SFCMA, 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. Please direct requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids 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 Fishery Conservation and Management Act of 1976. The Council prepares fishery management plans, which are designed to manage fishery resources within the 200-mile limit of the Gulf of Mexico.

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