

## Council Motions: March 20 - 23, 2006 - Mobile, AL

*This document contains the full chronology of motions made at the full Council session of the Gulf Council , including failed, substituted, and amended motions.*

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### Administrative Policy

Motion: to accept all the changes in Tab E, No. 4(a) with the following addition: SSC members or a subset of members will be asked to attend the data, assessment, and review workshops as observers or participants and provide comments to the Council.

Motion carried

Motion: the standing SSC will be excluded from reviewing the benchmark SEDAR assessments reviewed by the CIE unless requested to do so by either: 1) the Council or 2) the Council Chair and appropriate Committee Chair.

Motion carried with no objection.

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### Joint Reef Fish/Shrimp

Joint Reef Fish Amendment 27/Shrimp Amendment 14

Motion: Reorganize Alternatives 2 and 3 in Action 2.

Alternative 2 (commercial): would have suboptions:

A – status quo 15”

B – reduce size limit to 13”

C – no minimum size limit

Alternative 3 (recreational): would have suboptions:

A – status quo 16”

B – reduce size limit to 13”

C – no minimum size limit

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: To request that the SEFSC develop a yield per recruit analysis.

Motion carried with no objection

Motion: For Action 1 – retain bundles of:

Alternative 1 (status quo 9.12 mp TAC),

Alternative 2 (7.0 mp TAC), and

Alternative 4 (5.0 mp TAC)

Motion carried with no objection

Motion: that the analyses of Action 1 assume that TAC be set for a 2-year period to be reviewed at the end of that 2-year period

Motion carried by voice vote

Motion: In Action 1, add to the analyses of recreational seasons “weekend only” dates both before and after the proposed red snapper open season

Motion carried with no objection

Motion: to remove Alternative 5 from Action 2 and add it to the consider but rejected section

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: to remove Alternative 6 from Action 2 and add it as an additional Action to be determined by staff with alternatives to be developed in feet and additional alternatives for greater depths

Substitute motion: to remove alternative 6 from Action 2 and place it in the Considered but Rejected Section

Substitute motion carried by hand vote.

Motion: to remove alternative 4 from Action 2 and move it to considered but rejected section

Substitute motion: that alternative 4 in Action 2 be amended to read to develop educational material to encourage fishermen to use circle hooks, corrodible circle hooks, venting tools, and dehooking devices

Substitute motion carried by voice vote

Motion: to remove alternative 7 from Action 2 and move it

to considered but rejected section.

Motion carried by voice vote

Motion: to remove alternative 8 from Action 2 and move it to considered but rejected section.

Motion carried by voice vote with one objection

Motion: to modify Alternative 2 in Action 3: Change the bycatch reduction criterion for red snapper to an expected percent reduction in CPUE on age 0 and age 1 red snapper of:

Option a. 12%

Option b. 20%

Option c. 30%

Motion carried with no objection

Motion: For Alternative 3: to add an additional option for 10% by weight

Motion carried with no objection

Motion: In Action 4: (1) to move Alternative 2 – Cap annual effort in the penaeid shrimp fishery by capping the number of allowable vessel permits to the Considered but Rejected Section; (2) to remove the options under Alternative 3 and Alternative 4; and reword – Alternative 4 to read: Cap effort in the penaeid shrimp fishery by establishing a requirement for demonstration of future participation by permitted vessels through demonstrated landings of various levels

Substitute motion: For Action 4: to remove the suboptions under Alternative 2 to Considered but Rejected Section and to remove Alternative 3 to Considered but Rejected Section

Second Substitute motion: For Action 4: to retain Alternatives 1 through 4 and that staff work with the Shrimp Effort Workgroup to develop new appropriate sub options for those alternatives

Second Substitute Motion carried by voice vote.

Motion: to add alternatives under the appropriate Action to include analyses to eliminate the captain and crew bag limits.

Motion carried by voice vote

Motion: Public Hearing locations for Reef Fish 27/Shrimp 14

Panama City  
Fort Myers  
Tampa  
Orange Beach  
Mobile  
Belle Chase  
Chauvin  
Abbeville  
Brownsville  
Corpus Christi  
Palacios  
Galveston  
Pascagoula

Motion carried with no objection.

### Shrimp Amendment 15

Motion: to move Actions 4 and 5 to the considered but rejected section.

Motion failed by a vote of 8 to 9.

Motion: Under Action 1, Alternative 4 change "daily time" to "time/area" closures so that the alternative reads as follows:  
Establish time/area closures to shrimping in the EEZ.

Motion carried by voice vote.

Substitute motion: In Action 1: move Alternative 4 to the Considered but Rejected Section.

Substitute motion failed by hand vote.

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### Reef Fish

Motion: The intent of the Council with regard to Amendment 26, Action 3 is that any combination of ownership interests individually or collectively cannot exceed the ownership cap in the preferred alternative.

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: that Reef Fish Amendment 26 be approved and submitted to the Secretary of Commerce for implementation.

Motion carried by roll call vote 14 to 2 with 1 absent.

Motion: that the Council fund the four meetings of the Ad Hoc Grouper IFQ AP that would be held in between the Council meetings

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: that the Council approve the SEP report as recommended by the SSC; thanks the SEP for their efforts and to approve the following motion: (1.) that the Council requests the SEFSC update the LEM model for application to immediate and future allocation and bioeconomic needs. In support of this recommend that the Council authorize the SEP to form a work group to update the LEM model; and (2.) that the Council authorize a work group to examine the possible social impacts of any change in allocation.

Motion carried with one objection.

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## SSC Selection

Motion: To Appoint the following persons to the Ad Hoc Shrimp Effort Working Group:

Charles Caillouet, Jr.  
John Cole  
Wilson Gaidry, III  
Benny Gallaway  
Wade Griffin  
Rick Hart  
Walter Keithly, Vice Chairman  
Sherry Larkin  
James Nance, Chairman  
Michael Travis

## Motion Carried

Motion: Charge of the Ad Hoc Shrimp Effort Working Group: to provide the Council with alternatives for determining the appropriate level of effort in the shrimp fishery in the EEZ .

1.) what would be the minimum level of effort that is necessary to achieve OY in the shrimp fishery in the EEZ; and

2.) what level of effort in the EEZ would derive the maximum benefits to the shrimp fishery.

Motion carried with no objection.

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## Other Motions

Motion: to authorize staff to seek outside assistance in completion of the analyses for socioeconomic aspects and environmental impact analyses of the Aquaculture Amendment

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: to broaden the SEDAR Pool to include the state personnel that are involved in fishery management under the M-SFCMA

Motion carried with no objection.

Motion: To allow NMFS to further consider the EFP request from the Georgia Aquarium

Motion carried with no objection.