

Council Motions: August 14 - 17, 2006 - Baton Rouge, Louisiana

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

AP Selection

Motion: to approve the list of candidates appointed to the Ad Hoc Shrimp Effort Advisory Panel

- a) Anderson, Wilma TX (Texas Shrimp Association)
- b) Bosarge, Steve MS, Biloxi
- c) Devaney, Bobby AL, Theodore
- d) Henderson, Dennis FL, Ft. Myers Beach
- e) Jones, Bob FL
(Southeastern Fisheries Association)
- f) Shultz, Tommy MS, Biloxi
- g) Versaggi, Sal FL, Tampa
- h) Wallace, Rick AL (Sea Grant)
- NON VOTING**
- i) Williams, Charles FL, New Port Richey
- j) Williams, John FL
(Southern Shrimp Alliance)
- k) Grunwald, Mark FL, Tampa
- l) Dorsett, Chris
(Ocean Conservancy) **NON VOTING**
- m) Maharaj, Vishwanie
(Environmental Defense) **NON VOTING**
- n) McKinney, Dave
(NMFS Enforcement) **NON VOTING**
- o) Riley, Patrick TX, Freeport
- p) Despaux, Byron LA
(Louisiana Shrimp Association)
- q) Londrie, Harley TX, Port Isabel
- r) Lara, Philip TX, Corpus Christi
- s) Bates, Vernon TX, Corpus Christi
- t) Chauvin, Kimberly LA, Chauvin
- u) Nance, James TX, Galveston

NON-VOTING

Motion Carried with no objection

Motion: to approve the list of candidates to a NGO Advisory Panel that would be used as a pool for selecting SEDAR participants

Nelson, Russell
Coastal Conservation Association
Baker, Pam
Environmental Defense
Maharaj, Vishwanie
Environmental Defense

Sarthou, Cynthia	Gulf
Restoration Network	
Viles, Aaron	Gulf
Restoration Network	
Cufone, Marianne	Gulf
Restoration Network	
Dorsett, Chris	Ocean Conservancy
Fetherston, Elizabeth	Ocean Conservancy
Jamison, Judy	Gulf &SA
Fishery Foundation	
Medici, David	Gulf &SA
Fishery Foundation	

Motion carried with no objection

SEDAR Selection

Motion to approve the recommended panel members Tom Turke and Martin Fisher for the SEDAR 12 Assessment Panel

Motion carried with no objection

Motion to approve the recommendation to provide the Council Chair with the authority to replace SEDAR panelists who resign before the panel meeting.

Motion carried with no objection

Sustainable Fisheries/Ecosystem Management

Motion: to approve the Tab G-3 budget as the proposed budget for Ecosystem Modeling workshop.

Motion carried with no objection

Motion to approve the use of the remainder of the Ecosystem funds for Organization of Council metadata via FTP server

Motion carried with no objection

Administrative Policy

Motion: to include (7) NGO AP to the SEDAR process as a panel pool

Motion carried with no objection

Motion: to recommend that the SOPP's be amended to include the text highlighted in yellow and blue regarding SSC operations including review of Benchmark Assessments and Assessment updates.

Motion carried with no objection

Motion to approve the edited version of the recommendations by the SEDAR Steering Committee on use of the SSC and/or

SAP members in the SEDAR Process.

Substitute Motion to move Items 3 and 4 into the appropriate committee and remove item 5 from the list.

Substitute motion carried with one opposed

Mackerel Management

Motion that the Council begin a joint amendment to separate the Coastal Migratory Pelagics FMP

Motion carried with no objection

To send the mackerel management committee and/or Gulf Council designees to a joint committee meeting (September 18-19, 2006), and instruct Gulf staff to provide information to the mackerel committee regarding landings in the Gulf by region since 2002.

Motion carried with no objection

Reef Fish Management

Motion: To begin the process of an amendment to address overfishing in gray triggerfish and have the Science Center respond to questions about how CPUE was used in the assessment and whether there is a chance that some of the trips assumed to be targeting gray triggerfish were actually not.

Motion to table

Motion to table carried by voice vote

MOTION: to develop an amendment to end overfishing in greater amberjack and restrain the TAC to 2.9 million lbs or another scientifically appropriate TAC.

Motion carried with one opposed

Motion: to initiate the amendment process to address overfishing and the establishment of SFA benchmarks for gag grouper.

Motion carried by voice vote

Motion: to request that the Science Center conduct an analysis to determine if there is an acceptable level of harvest of goliath grouper that may be taken for scientific study to help determine the status of the goliath grouper stock.

Motion carried with one opposed

Motion: that the Gulf Council Executive Director raise the ten issues recommended by the SSC to improve the SEDAR process with the SEDAR steering committee.

Motion carried with no objection

Motion to ask the Executive Director to write to the SEDAR Coordinator to request that he attend an SSC meeting

Motion carried with no objection

Motion that we ask the standing SSC to advise about the reliability of the MRFSS data and how the data should or should not be used.

Motion carried

Motion that the Council begin an amendment to require a recreational salt water fishing license for the EEZ and a trip ticket reporting requirement for the for-hire sector of the Gulf of Mexico

Motion to table until more information is available

Motion carried

Joint Reef Fish/Shrimp Management

Shrimp Regulatory Amendment

Motion to make Alternative 3, Option d, 40% by weight, be the preferred alternative

Substitute Motion: that Alternative 3, Option b, 20% by weight, be the preferred alternative.

Second Substitute Motion: that Alternative 3, Option c, 30% by weight, be the preferred alternative

Second Substitute Motion carried

Motion to submit a framework measure to modify the BRD criteria to the Secretary

Motion carried by a unanimous roll call vote (1 absent)

Reef Fish Amendment 27/Shrimp Amendment 14

Motion: to accept Action 1, Alternative 2: set TAC at 7.0mp.

Substitute Motion to combine all actions in Shrimp Amendment 15 with Shrimp Amendment 14 and Reef Fish Amendment 27.

Second Substitute motion: to continue to collect all pertinent data relative to Reef Fish 27/Shrimp 14 and postpone any Council action on 27/14 until December 31, 2006

Second Substitute Motion carried by roll call vote 10-5