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Meeting Notice

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Gulf Council to Convene its Ad Hoc Review Panel for Red Drum

Tampa, Florida – June 29, 2007 - The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will convene its Ad Hoc Review Panel for Red Drum. The panel will meet at the W Hotel, 333 Poydras Street, New Orleans, LA, on Monday, July 23, 2007 beginning at 1:00 p.m. The meeting will conclude no later than 3 p.m. Tuesday, July 24, 2007.

The Panel will consider the Council's charge to assess the availability of information needed to conduct a SEDAR stock assessment for red drum and to propose data collection activities, that should be carried out in 2008, for that information.

Representatives of the five gulf states will summarize fisheries dependent and independent data available from their respective states, and a federal representative will summarize the data available through that agency. The Panel will also discuss other issues related to the stock assessment and SEDAR process.

Copies of the agenda can be obtained by calling 813-348-1630. The meeting is open to the public and is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office at least five working days prior to the meeting.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agenda may come before the 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.

Action of the Ad Hoc Review Panel for Red Drum 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 M-SFCMA, provided the public has been notified of the intent to take action to address the emergency.

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