



Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council

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

Committees Schedule & Council Agendaⁱ

IP Casino & Resort
Ballroom B
Biloxi, Mississippi
October 17- 20, 2016

Monday, October 17, 2016 – Full Council Session

8:30 am – 9:00 am: Review and Adoption of Proposed 2016-2017 Council Committee Roster (Tab A2b) – Leann Bosarge, *Chair*

Monday, October 17, 2016 – Committee Sessions

9:00 am – 10:30 am: Data Collection Committee (Tab F) – Greg Stunz, *Chair*

- Presentation on NFWF For-Hire Pilot Program
- For-hire Reporting Requirements

10:30 am – 10:45 am: Break-----

10:45 am – 12:00 pm: Data Collection Committee - continued (Tab F) - Greg Stunz, *Chair*

- Cost Analysis and Reporting Requirements of Commercial Electronic Reporting Program

– Recess –

1:30 pm – 2:30 pm: Shrimp Committee (Tab D) Leann Bosarge *Chair*

- Update on NMFS Turtle Excluder Device (TED) Rule
- Risk Assessment for Threshold Permit Numbers Relative to Sea Turtle Incidental Take Constraints
- Revised Options Paper for Shrimp Amendment 17B

2:30 pm – 3:00 pm: Administrative/Budget Committee (Tab G) – Leann Bosarge, *Chair*

- Review of State, Federal, and Council Annual Leave Policies

3:00 pm – 3:15 pm: Break-----

3:15 pm – 4:45 pm: Mackerel Committee (Tab C) – Pamella Dana, *Chair*

- Public Hearing Draft: CMP Amendment 29: Allocation Sharing and Accountability Measures for Gulf King Mackerel
- Final Action – CMP Framework Amendment 5: Modifications to Pelagic Commercial Permit Restrictions in the Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic
- Final Action–CMP Amendment 30: Atlantic Cobia Recreational Fishing Year

4:45 pm – 5:45 pm: Full Council Closed Session

- Appointments for the Ad Hoc Private Recreational AP (Tab T)

– Recess –

Tuesday, October 18, 2016 – Committee Sessions Continued

8:00 am – 12:00 pm & 1:30 pm – 5:30 pm: Reef Fish Management Committee (Tab B) – Johnny Greene, Chair

- Review Proposed Regulations on the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary
- SEDAR 47 Goliath Grouper Benchmark Assessment
- Draft Framework Action – Mutton Snapper ACL and Management Measures and Gag Commercial Size limit
- Draft Amendment 42 Review – Reef Fish Management for Headboat Survey Vessels
- Final Action – Referendum Requirements for Amendment 42
- Preliminary 2016 Red Snapper For-hire Landings Relative to ACT
- Draft Amendment 46 – Gray Triggerfish Rebuilding Plan
- Draft Amendment 41 – Red Snapper Management for Federally Permitted Charter Vessels

– Recess –

Wednesday, October 19, 2016 – Committee Sessions Continued

8:00 am – 9:30 am: Reef Fish Management Committee Continued (Tab B) – Johnny Greene, Chair

- Draft Amendment 36A – Modifications to Commercial IFQ Programs
- Standing and Reef Fish SSC Summary
- Reef Fish AP Summary

9:30 am – 10:45 am: Joint Coral/Habitat Committee (Tab N) – Dale Diaz, Chair

- Final Draft of 5-year EFH Review
- Scoping Document for Coral Habitat Areas of Particular Concern (HAPCs)

10:45 am – 11:00 am: Break -----

11:00 am – 11:30 am: Law Enforcement (Tab L) – Doug Boyd, Chair

- Review and Approval of Law Enforcement Operations and Strategic Plans
- Summary of Law Enforcement Technical Committee

– Recess –

Wednesday, October 19, 2016 – Full Council Session

- I. **1:00 pm – 1:05 pm:** Call to Order, Announcements, and Introductions – Bosarge
- II. **1:05 pm – 1:10 pm:** Adoption of Agendaⁱ and Approval of Minutes (Tab A, No. 3 & 4) – Bosarge
- III. **1:10 pm – 1:15 pm:** Review of Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) Applications, if any (Tab S) – Crabtree/Bosarge
- IV. **1:15 pm – 2:30 pm:** Presentations
 - Draft Highly Migratory Species (HMS) Amendments 5b and 10 (Tab A, No. 7) – Dubeck/Cudney
 - Climate Vulnerability Analysis for Gulf Managed Stocks (Tab A, No. 8) – SEFSC
 - Mississippi Law Enforcement Presentation (Tab A, No. 9) – Pittman
 - NMFS-SERO – Landing Summaries (Tab A, No. 10) - Gerhart

2:30 pm – 2:45 pm: Break-----

- V. **2:45 pm – 5:30 pm:** Public Comment ^{ii, iii, iv, v} – Bosarge
 - A. Agenda Testimony
 - Final Action on Framework Amendment 5: To Remove the Prohibition on Retaining the Recreational King Mackerel Bag Limit with Commercial King Mackerel Permit
 - Final Action on Referendum Requirements for Reef Fish Amendment 42 –Reef Fish Management for Headboat Survey Vessels
 - Proposed Fishing Regulations on the Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary
 - Final Action – CMP Amendment 30: Atlantic Cobia Recreational Fishing Year

B. Open Testimony on any Other Fishery Issues or Concerns

– Recess –

Thursday, October 20, 2016 – Council Session Continued

- VI. Committee Reports
 - A. **8:00 am – 8:30 am:** Data Collection (Tab F) – Stunz
 - B. **8:30 am – 9:00 am:** Mackerel (Tab C) – Dana
 - C. **9:00 am – 9:30 am:** Shrimp (Tab D) – Bosarge
 - D. **9:30 am – 9:45 am:** Administrative/Budget (Tab G) – Bosarge

E. **9:45 am – 10:15 am:** Closed Session Report: Ad Hoc Private Recreational Angler AP Membership and Discuss the Charge of the AP (**Tab T**) – Bosarge

F. **10:15 am – 10:30 am:** Law Enforcement (**Tab L**) – Boyd

G. **10:30 am – 12:00 pm:** Reef Fish (**Tab B**) – Greene

– Recess –

H. **1:30 pm – 2:00 pm:** Joint Coral/Habitat Protection (**Tab N**) – Diaz

VII. **2:00 pm – 2:30 pm:** Vote on Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) Applications, if any (**Tab S**) – Bosarge

VIII. **2:30 pm – 3:00 pm:** Supporting Agencies Update – Bosarge

- South Atlantic Council Liaison
- Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission
- U.S. Coast Guard
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- Department of State

IX. **3:00 pm – 3:30 pm:** Other Business – Bosarge

– Adjourn –

ⁱ The established times for addressing items on the Council agendas, except for those setting times for public comment, may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the timely completion of discussion relevant to the agenda items.

ⁱⁱ Persons wishing to give public testimony must register at the registration kiosk in the meeting room before the beginning of the public comment period. During public comment the Council will hear testimony related to final actions of the Council and pertinent agenda items. Time constraints may limit individual speaking time as determined by the presiding officer.

ⁱⁱⁱ Any oral or written statement shall include a brief description of the background and interests of the person testifying and the source and date of any specific information. Persons wishing to submit written testimony or information can do so by emailing it to gulfcouncil@gulfcouncil.org. All written comments will be posted on the Council's website for viewing by Council members and the public. **To help ensure that Council members have sufficient time to consider your written testimony, please submit your comments at least three business days prior to the start of the Council meeting.**

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Next Meeting

**Jan 30- Feb 2, 2017
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New Orleans, LA**