



SOUTH ATLANTIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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{Except for advertised (scheduled) public hearings and public comment sessions, the times indicated on the agenda may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the completion of agenda items. Interested parties should be aware that meetings may start earlier or later than indicated.}

Monday, March 7

CONCURRENT SESSIONS: MONDAY AFTERNOON

1:30 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Law Enforcement Advisory Panel/Col. Chisolm Frampton (TAB 1)

1. Overview of Developing and Recently Implemented Amendments
2. Snapper Grouper Amendment 33 and Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 7 (new fillet regulations for fish from The Bahamas) – **ACTION**
3. Snapper Grouper Amendment 37 (Hogfish) – **ACTION**
4. Proposed changes to for-hire reporting requirements (headboat and charter) and current requirements for dealers & commercial vessels – **ACTION**

1:30 P.M. to 2:30 P.M.

Protected Resources Committee/Dr. Wilson Laney (TAB 2)

1. Update on Protected Resources – **ACTION**
2. Right Whale Critical Habitat Final Rule – **ACTION**
3. ESA/MSA Integration Agreement: Review & Approval – **ACTION**
4. Update on ASMFC/USFWS Protected Resources Issues – **ACTION**

2:30 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Joint Dolphin Wahoo/Snapper Grouper Committee/Anna Beckwith and Dr. Michelle Duval (TAB 3)

1. Status of Commercial and Recreational Catches versus ACLs for Dolphin and Wahoo – **ACTION**
2. Status of actions under formal review/NMFS SERO
 - Amendment 7 (fillets)
 - Amendment 8 (allocation & accountability measures)
 - Regulatory Amendment 1 (trip limit)
 - Control Date (6/30/15)
3. DW Amendment 10/SG Amendment 44 (Allocations for Dolphin and Yellowtail Snapper) – **ACTION**

Tuesday, March 8

CONCURRENT SESSIONS: TUESDAY MORNING

8:30 A.M. to 12:00 Noon **Law Enforcement Advisory Panel cont./Col. Chisolm Frampton (TAB 1)**
 5. Size and bag limit compliance in the South Atlantic Region – **ACTION**
 6. Enforceability of Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) and Spawning Special Management Zones (SMZ): Evaluation for System Management Plans – **ACTION**
 7. Turtle Excluder Devices (TED) compliance in shrimp fishery – **ACTION**
 8. Election of LEAP Chair and Vice-Chair – **ACTION**

8:30 A.M. to 10:00 A.M. **Advisory Panel Selection Committee/Chester Brewer (TAB 4)**
(PARTIALLY CLOSED SESSION)
 1. Review Applicants and Develop Recommendations – **ACTION**
 2. NGO seats on species Advisory Panels – **ACTION**
 3. Term Limits – **ACTION**
 4. Other policy issues – **ACTION**

10:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon **SEDAR Committee/Dr. Michelle Duval (TAB 5) (PARTIALLY CLOSED SESSION)**
 1. Blueline tilefish stock ID workshop participants (**CLOSED**) – **ACTION**
 2. Blueline tilefish assessment schedule – **ACTION**
 3. SEDAR projects update – **ACTION**

12:00 Noon to 1:30 P.M. **Lunch**

Tuesday, March 8

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

1:30 P.M. to 2:30 P.M. **Law Enforcement Committee/Mel Bell (TAB 6)**
 1. Review Law Enforcement Advisory Panel Recommendations – **ACTION**

2:30 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. **Snapper Grouper Committee/Dr. Michelle Duval (TAB 7)**
 1. Status of commercial and recreational catches versus quotas for species under ACLs/NMFS SERO – **ACTION**
 2. Status of actions under formal review/NMFS SERO
 • Amendment 33 (fillets)
 • Amendment 34 (comprehensive accountability measures)
 • Amendment 35 (species removal and golden tilefish endorsements)
 • Regulatory Amendment 25 (Blueline, Yellowtail, & Black Sea Bass)
 • Regulatory Amendment 16 (Black Sea Bass Traps)
 3. Black sea bass pot selectivity study results/Dr. Paul Rudershausen
 • Discuss and take action as appropriate – **ACTION**
 4. SSC Report/Dr. Luiz Barbieri
 5. Overview of Snapper Grouper Amendment 37 (hogfish)
 • Consider public hearing comments, discuss and modify document as appropriate, select preferred alternatives, and approve all actions – **ACTION**

Wednesday, March 9

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

8:30 A.M. to 12:00 Noon

Snapper Grouper Committee cont./Dr. Michelle Duval (TAB 7)

6. Overview of Snapper Grouper Amendment 41 (mutton snapper)
 - Consider scoping comments, discuss, modify document as appropriate, and provide guidance to staff – **ACTION**
7. Overview of Oculina Review Report
 - Discuss and modify document as appropriate, and approve – **ACTION**
8. Overview of System Management Plan for Amendment 14 MPAs
 - Review, modify document as necessary, and approve – **ACTION**
9. Overview of Snapper Grouper Amendment 36 (Spawning SMZs) and System Management Plan for Spawning SMZs
 - Review, modify document as necessary, and approve for formal review – **ACTION**

12:00 Noon to 1:30 P.M.

Lunch

1:30 P.M. to 5:30 P.M.

Snapper Grouper Committee cont./Dr. Michelle Duval (TAB 7)

10. Overview of Items to be considered in Snapper Grouper Amendment 43 (Red Snapper)
 - Discuss and provide guidance to staff – **ACTION**
11. Overview of Fisheries Seasonality/Retention Regulatory Amendment
 - Results of ranking of alternatives
 - Discuss and provide direction to staff – **ACTION**

5:30 P.M.

Public comment will first be accepted on items before the Council for final action:

- Snapper Grouper Amendment 36 (Spawning SMZs)
- MPA System Management Plan
- Oculina Review Report
- ESA/MSA Integration Agreement
- CMP Amendment 26 (King Mackerel ACLs/Boundary/Management Measures)

Public comment will then be accepted regarding any of the other items on the Council agenda. The Council Chair, based on the number of individuals wishing to comment, will determine the amount of time provided to each commenter.

Thursday, March 10

8:30 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Mackerel Committee/Ben Hartig (TAB 8)

1. Status of recreational and commercial catches vs. ACLs/NMFS SERO – **ACTION**
2. Gulf Council Meeting Report
3. Mackerel AP Report/Ira Laks, AP Chair
4. Overview of CMP Amendment 26 decision document
 - Consider public hearing comments, modify document as appropriate, select preferred alternatives and approve Amendment 26 for formal Secretarial review – **ACTION**
5. Overview of Atlantic Cobia Landings and Adjustment to Recreational Season Length/NMFS SERO
 - Presentation on 2016 Recreational Season for Atlantic Cobia/Mike Larkin, SERO
 - Options Paper for Framework Amendment
 - Discuss and provide guidance to staff – **ACTION**

10:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon

Data Collection Committee/Mel Bell (TAB 9)

1. Report on Bycatch Monitoring/NMFS SERO
 - Discuss and provide guidance to staff – **ACTION**
2. Update on Commercial Logbook Pilot Study
 - Presentation on the status of the commercial electronic logbook pilot project/Dr. Bonnie Ponwith, SEFSC
 - Discuss and take action as appropriate – **ACTION**
3. Overview of Implementation Plan for commercial logbook electronic reporting
 - Status of eTrips/Mike Cahall, ACCSP
 - Discuss and provide guidance to staff – **ACTION**
4. Overview of the South Atlantic For-Hire Reporting Amendment
 - SC electronic logbook demonstration
 - Review public hearing input, discuss and modify document as appropriate, and approve all actions – **ACTION**

12:00 Noon to 1:30 P.M.

Lunch

1:30 P.M. to 2:30 P.M.

Data Collection Committee cont./Mel Bell (TAB 9)

5. Citizen Science Workshop Update
 - Overview of draft Citizen Science Program Blueprint
 - Discuss and take action as appropriate – **ACTION**

2:30 P.M. to 3:30 P.M.

Executive Finance Committee/Dr. Michelle Duval (TAB 10)

1. Status of CY 2015 budget expenditures
2. Draft Activity Schedule – **ACTION**
3. Status of CY 2016 budget
4. Council Follow-up and priorities – **ACTION**
5. Discuss standards and procedures for participating in Council webinar meetings – **ACTION**
6. CCC Meeting Report – **ACTION**
7. Address other issues as appropriate – **ACTION**

3:30 P.M. to 3:45 P.M.

Break

Thursday, March 10

3:45 - 4:00

COUNCIL SESSION (TAB 11)

Call to Order, Adoption of Agenda and Approval of December 2015 Minutes/Dr. Michelle Duval

4:00 - 5:00

Snapper Grouper Committee Report/Dr. Michelle Duval (TAB 6)

- Approve/Disapprove Amendment 36 for formal Secretarial review – **ACTION**
- Approve/Disapprove System Management Plan for MPAs – **ACTION**
- Consider other Committee recommendations and take action as appropriate – **ACTION**

Friday, March 11

8:30 A.M. to 12:00 Noon

COUNCIL SESSION (TAB 11)

8:30 - 9:00

Mackerel Committee Report/Ben Hartig (TAB 8)

- Approve/Disapprove Amendment 26 for formal review – **ACTION**
- Consider other Committee recommendations and take action as appropriate – **ACTION**

9:00 - 9:10

Law Enforcement Committee Report/Mel Bell (TAB 6)

- Consider Committee recommendations and take action as appropriate – **ACTION**

9:10 - 9:30

Joint Dolphin Wahoo/Snapper Grouper Committee Report/Anna Beckwith and Dr. Michelle Duval (TAB 3)

- Consider Committee recommendations and take action as appropriate – **ACTION**

9:30 - 9:40

Protected Resources Committee Report/Dr. Wilson Laney (TAB 2)

- Approve/Disapprove ESA/MSA Integration Agreement
- Consider other Committee recommendations and take action as appropriate – **ACTION**

9:40 - 9:50

SEDAR Committee Report/Dr. Michelle Duval (TAB 5)

- Consider Committee recommendations and take action as appropriate – **ACTION**

9:50 - 10:00

Data Collection Committee Report/Mel Bell (TAB 9)

- Consider Committee recommendations and take action as appropriate – **ACTION**

Friday, March 11

8:30 A.M. to 12:00 Noon	<u>COUNCIL SESSION (TAB 11)</u>
10:00 - 10:10	<u>AP Selection Committee Report/Chester Brewer (TAB 4)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Consider Committee recommendations and take action as appropriate – ACTION
10:10 - 10:30	<u>Executive Finance Committee Report/Dr. Michelle Duval (TAB 13)</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Approve Council Follow-Up and Priorities – ACTION• Approve Activity Schedule – ACTION• Consider other Committee recommendations and take action as appropriate – ACTION
10:30 - 10:45	Monitor National Marine Sanctuary/David W. Alberg, Superintendent (Attachment 1)
10:45 - 10:55	SERO Report/Dr. Roy Crabtree (Attachment 2)
10:55 - 11:10	Review Experimental Fishing Permit requests as appropriate (Attachment 3) - ACTION
11:10 - 11:20	SEFSC Report/Dr. Bonnie Ponwith (Attachment 4)
11:20 - 11:40	Agency and Liaison Reports and additional information (Attachment 5)
11:40 – 12:00	Other Business and Upcoming Meetings (Attachment 6) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Spiny Lobster Review Panel & Advisory Panel Meeting (Kari)
12:00 Noon	ADJOURN