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AGENDA

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November 30 - December 5, 2008

Sunday, November 30

SSC MEETING

3:00 P.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Scientific and Statistical Committee/Dr. Carolyn Belcher
(TAB 1)(See separate SSC agenda)

Monday, December 1

SSC MEETING

8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Scientific and Statistical Committee/Dr. Carolyn Belcher
(TAB 1)(See separate SSC agenda)

Concurrent Sessions

COUNCIL ADVISORY PANEL MEETING

1:30 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.

Law Enforcement Advisory Panel/Lt. Chisholm Frampton
(TAB 2)

1. Individual State and Federal updates on enforcement activities and issues
2. Presentation on the Council's Comprehensive Ecosystem- Based Amendment
3. Review Snapper Grouper Amendment 17
4. Discuss and develop recommendations on how to best enforce the time/area closures proposed and other issues related to law enforcement - **ACTION**
5. Discuss vessel monitoring system issues

Monday, December 1

COUNCIL COMMITTEES MEETINGS

4:30 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

LAPP Committee/Rita Merritt (TAB 3)

- 1. Summary of the Golden Tilefish LAPP Workgroup meeting
- **ACTION**
- 2. Discuss the potential of a LAPP for the golden crab fishery
- **ACTION**
- 3. Consider modifications to the Wreckfish IFQ program
- **ACTION**
- 4. Discuss other items to go to public scoping - **ACTION**

6:15 P.M.

There will be an open informal public question and answer session with NMFS Regional Administrator Dr. Roy Crabtree and other Council members.

Tuesday, December 2

SSC MEETINGS

8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Scientific and Statistical Committee/Dr. Carolyn Belcher (TAB 1)(See separate SSC agenda)

-----**Concurrent Sessions**-----

COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

8:00 A.M. to 9:00 A.M.

Personnel Committee/Susan Shipman (TAB 4)(CLOSED SESSION)

- 1. Discuss Council personnel matters

9:00 A.M. to 10:00 A.M.

Advisory Panel Selection Committee/Mark Robson (TAB 5) (CLOSED SESSION)

- 1. Review applications and develop recommendations for appointment - **ACTION**

10:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M.

SOPPs Committee/Duane Harris (TAB 6)

- 1. Status of Secretarial review of Council SOPPs
- 2. Develop changes to SOPPs as necessary - **ACTION**

11:00 A.M. to 12:00 Noon

Joint Executive/Finance Committee/Duane Harris & David Cupka (TAB 7)

- 1. Review status of the CY 2008 budget - **ACTION**
- 2. Status of the FY 2009 President's/Congressional budget
- 3. Review CY 2009-2010 FMP/Amendment/Framework Timelines and modify as appropriate - **ACTION**
- 4. Develop and approve CY 2009 activities schedule and budget - **ACTION**

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

Tuesday, December 2

COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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

Spiny Lobster Committee/Tony Iarocci (TAB 8)

1. Report on the status of the Import Amendment
2. Discuss the Gulf Council’s schedule/timing for Amendment 5 - **ACTION**
3. Discuss items to go to public scoping for the Comprehensive ACL Amendment - **ACTION**

2:30 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Mackerel Committee/George Geiger (TAB 9)

1. Review the results of the SEDAR stock assessment and develop recommendations for Council action including timing - **ACTION**
2. Discuss items to go to public scoping for the Comprehensive ACL Amendment - **ACTION**

Wednesday, December 3

SSC MEETING

8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M.

Scientific and Statistical Committee/Dr. Carolyn Belcher (TAB 1)(See separate SSC agenda)

Concurrent Sessions

COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

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

Ecosystem-Based Management Committee/Dr. Brian Cheuvront (TAB 10)

1. SSC and LEAP recommendations on the Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment (CE-BA) and Fishery Ecosystem Plan (FEP)
2. Review and revise the FEP as necessary - **ACTION**
3. Approve the FEP for second round of public hearings - **ACTION**
4. Review and revise the CE-BA as necessary - **ACTION**
5. Approve the CE-BA for second round of public hearings – **ACTION**
6. Report on the Joint Habitat and Coral Advisory Panel meeting
7. Discuss habitat issues as appropriate - **ACTION**

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

1:30 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

Snapper Grouper Committee/Mac Currin (TAB 11)

1. Update on Oculina monitoring activities
2. Update on the Gray’s Reef Research Area

- 3. SSC report on the Vermilion Snapper SEDAR and Snapper Grouper Amendment 17 - **ACTION**

Thursday, December 4

COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING

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

Snapper Grouper Committee cont./Mac Currin (TAB 11)

- 4. Review Amendment 16 vermilion snapper actions - **ACTION**
- 5. Review Law Enforcement Advisory Panel recommendations on Amendment 17
- 6. Review draft Amendment 17, modify as appropriate, and approve for public hearings - **ACTION**

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

Lunch

1:30 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.

Snapper Grouper Committee cont./Mac Currin (TAB 11)

- 7. Discuss a red snapper interim rule request - **ACTION**
- 8. Discuss items to go to public scoping for the Comprehensive ACL Amendment - **ACTION**

3:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M.

SEDAR Committee/Duane Harris (12)

- 1. Develop recommendations for SEDAR 19 appointments - **ACTION (CLOSED SESSION)**
- 2. Review SEDAR Planning Schedule
- 3. Update on SEDAR Methods Workshops
- 4. Update on SEDAR 17
- 5. Discuss how to address the research/data needs enumerated in SEDAR 16 - **ACTION**
- 6. Develop recommendations for next SEDAR Steering Committee Meeting - **ACTION**

Thursday, December 4

4:00 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

COUNCIL SESSION (TAB 13)

4:00 - 4:15

Call to Order, Introductions & Roll Call
 Adoption of Agenda
 Approval of September 2008 Minutes/Duane Harris

4:15 - 5:30

Snapper Grouper Committee Report/Mac Currin (TAB 11)

- Public comment on an Interim Rule for red snapper (if the Council considers an Interim Rule request)(**4:15 P.M.**)
- Decision on submitting a Red Snapper Interim Rule request to the Secretary of Commerce
- Act on Committee recommendations relative to vermilion snapper actions in Amendment 16 as appropriate - **ACTION**
- Approve Amendment 17 for public hearings

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- **ACTION**

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

Thursday, December 4

5:30 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.

COUNCIL SESSION (TAB 13)

5:30 - 6:00

Presentation by FishSmart about the interactive process with stakeholders in the Atlantic king mackerel fishery/Tom Ihde (Presentation material is under the SSC - TAB 1, Attachments 27 &28)

Friday, December 5

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

COUNCIL SESSION (TAB 13)

8:00 - 8:15

SOPPs Committee Report/Duane Harris (TAB 6)

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

8:15 - 8:30

AP Selection Committee Report/Mark Robson (TAB 5)

- Appoint new AP members and take other actions as appropriate - **ACTION**

8:30 - 8:45

Ecosystem-Based Management Committee Report/Dr. Brian Chevront (TAB 10)

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

8:45 - 9:00

Joint Executive Finance Committee Report/Duane Harris & David Cupka (TAB 7)

- Approve the CY 2009 Timelines, Activities Schedule and Budget - **ACTION**
- Consider other Committee recommendations and take action as appropriate - **ACTION**

9:00 - 9:15

Spiny Lobster Committee Report/Tony Iarocci (TAB 6)

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

9:15 - 9:30

LAPP Committee Report/Rita Merritt (TAB 3)

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

9:30 - 9:45

Mackerel Committee Report/George Geiger (TAB 9)

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

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9:45 - 10:00

SEDAR Committee Report/Duane Harris (TAB 12)

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

Friday, December 5

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

COUNCIL SESSION (TAB 13)

10:00 - 10:30

NOAA Fisheries EFH presentation/Chris Rilling

10:30 - 10:45

Review and develop recommendations on Experimental Fishing Permits as necessary (Attachment 1) - **ACTION**

10:45 - 11:00

Status reports/Dr. Roy Crabtree (Attachment 2)

1. Quotas
 - ❖ Atlantic king mackerel
 - ❖ Gulf king mackerel (eastern zone)
 - ❖ Atlantic Spanish mackerel
 - ❖ Snowy Grouper
 - ❖ Golden Tilefish
 - ❖ Wreckfish
 - ❖ Greater amberjack
 - ❖ South Atlantic Octocorals
 - ❖ Dolphin (soft quota ratios)
2. Status of Snapper Grouper Amendment 13C quota
3. Status of Snapper Grouper Amendment 14 (MPAs)
4. Status of Snapper Grouper Amendment 16 and the Interim Rule
5. Protected Species Issues
6. VMS Compliance report (LE)

11:00 - 11:15

NMFS SEFSC status reports/Dr. Tom Jamir (Attachment 3)

1. Status of Data Collection and Stock Assessment Improvement Plans
2. Progress reports on vermilion snapper and Spanish mackerel aging and 2007 headboat data entry
3. Status of Recreational Catches versus Allocations:
 - ❖ Atlantic King Mackerel and Spanish Mackerel
 - ❖ Black Sea Bass
 - ❖ Golden Tilefish
 - ❖ Snowy Grouper
 - ❖ Red Porgy
 - ❖ Greater Amberjack
 - ❖ Dolphin

11:15 - 11:45

Agency and Liaison Reports

11:45 - 12:00

Other Business
Upcoming Meetings (Attachment 4)

Agenda

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