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## OVERVIEW

### Dolphin Wahoo Committee Meeting

June 9, 2009  
Hutchinson Island Marriott  
555 NE Ocean Boulevard; Stuart, FL

The Dolphin Wahoo Committee needs to: (A) review the motions from the last Dolphin Wahoo Committee meeting and provide guidance as necessary and (B) review MSY, OFL, ABC, and ACL options and provide direction to staff.

#### **A. Motions from the March Dolphin Wahoo Committee meeting**

At their March 2009 meeting, the Dolphin Wahoo Committee and Council approved the motions shown below. The status of each item is shown and the committee should provide guidance as necessary.

**MOTION #1:** PURSUE INCLUDING DOLPHIN AND WAHOO IN THE COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL CATCH LIMIT AMENDMENT TO ADDRESS NEW REQUIREMENTS FOR ANNUAL CATCH LIMITS (ACLs) AND ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES (AMS), EVALUATE PROHIBITING BAG LIMIT SALES OF DOLPHIN FROM FOR-HIRE VESSELS AND ESTABLISH MINIMUM SIZE LIMITS FOR DOLPHIN OFF NORTH CAROLINA & SOUTH CAROLINA.

**Status:** These actions will be included in the options paper for Dolphin Wahoo.

**MOTION #2:** EVALUATE THE PROHIBITION ON BAG LIMIT SALES OF DOLPHIN FROM FOR-HIRE VESSELS AND ESTABLISHING A MINIMUM SIZE LIMIT FOR DOLPHIN IN THE MID-ATLANTIC AND NEW ENGLAND AREAS.

**Status:** These actions will be included in the options paper for Dolphin Wahoo.

**MOTION #3 (TIMING AND TASK MOTION):** DIRECT STAFF TO DEVELOP A DETAILED DECISION DOCUMENT EVALUATING ACLS, AMS, BAG LIMIT SALE PROHIBITION, AND SIZE LIMIT FOR USE AT THE JUNE 2009 MEETING.

**Status:** These actions will be included in the options paper for Dolphin Wahoo. Given the short time available at the June meeting and staff work on other species, the June options paper only addresses OFL and ABC guidance. A more detailed options paper will be available for the September 2009 meeting in Charleston, SC.

**REQUIRED COMMITTEE ACTION:**

1. Review the motions from the last committee meeting.
2. Provide guidance as may be necessary.

**B. MSY, OFL, ABC, & ACL Options (Attachment 2)**

The SSC may provide some preliminary recommendations at their meeting. If not, we would like some guidance from the committee on whether these alternatives represent a reasonable range of alternatives for analysis.

**REQUIRED COMMITTEE ACTION:**

1. Committee discussion
2. Provide guidance to staff on items to include