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AGENDA

Habitat and Environmental Protection Committee Meeting

**Doubletree by Hilton New Bern/Riverfront
100 Middle Street
New Bern, NC**

Monday, December 1, 2014 – 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

1. Approval of Agenda – Wilson Laney
2. Approval of September 18, 2014 Habitat and Environmental Protection Committee Minutes – Wilson Laney
3. Status of Coral Amendment 8 (Coral Habitat Areas of Particular Concern (HAPC) & Transit through the Oculina Bank HAPC) – SERO
4. Updated Rock Shrimp VMS and Bycatch analyses
 - A. Updated VMS Analyses (**Attachment 1**) - Prepared by Roger Pugliese
 - B. Rock Shrimp Bycatch (**Attachment 2**) – Chip Collier
 - C. Committee Discussion and Guidance to Staff – Wilson Laney
5. Proposal for an Oculina National Marine Sanctuary (**Attachments 3-6**) – Wilson Laney
 - A. Overview of Request and Letter of Insufficiency (**Attachments 3-5**) – Dr. George Sedberry, NOAA
 - B. Overview of Proposed Area and SAFMC Management Areas (**Attachment 6**) – Chip Collier
 - C. Committee Discussion and Guidance to Staff – Wilson Laney
6. Other Business – Wilson Laney
7. Adjourn – Wilson Laney

Attachments:

- Attachment 1. Rock Shrimp Vessel Monitoring System Analyses (2003-2014)
- Attachment 2. Rock Shrimp Bycatch
- Attachment 3. Map of Area in Proposal
- Attachment 4. Full Submitted Proposal
- Attachment 5. NOAA Letter of Insufficiency
- Attachment 6. SAFMC Managed Areas and Estimated Boundary of the Oculina NMS Proposal

Habitat and Environmental Protection Committee Members:

Wilson Laney, Chair
Anna Beckwith
Chris Conklin
LT Morgan Fowler
Doug Haymans
Charlie Phillips
Robert Beal

Date:	<u>10/30/14</u>
Fishery:	<u>Coral Amendment 8,</u> <u>Habitat, Coral</u>
Subject:	<u>Briefing materials</u>
Staff:	<u>Pugliese/Collier</u>
Source:	<u>SAFMC, NOAA</u>