



SOUTH ATLANTIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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Snapper Grouper Recreational Permitting and Reporting Technical Advisory Panel

Meeting 2: November 2022

Webinar

webinar registration: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/3922697274330125325>
meeting materials: <https://safmc.net/events/nov-2022-snapper-grouper-recreational-permitting-and-reporting-technical-ap-meeting/>

AGENDA

Monday, November 21, 2022, 1:00 – 4:00 pm (Times Subject to Change)

Agenda Approval

Public Comment

1. Election of Chair and Vice Chair
2. Council Guidance and Questions: Draft Options Paper for Snapper Grouper Amendment 46 (*Attachments 1a and 1b*)

Other Business

Adjourn

Advisory Panel Members

Luiz Barbieri, FL FWC
Brandi Salmon, NC DMF
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John Foster, NMFS/S&T/MRIP
Kai Lorenzen, SSC
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STAFF

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Attachments

- Attachment 1a.** Draft options paper for Snapper Grouper Amendment 46 addressing recent Council guidance and questions
- Attachment 1b.** Snapper Grouper Recreational Permitting and Reporting Technical Advisory Panel Summary Report – August 2022

OVERVIEW

Snapper Grouper Recreational Permitting and Reporting Technical Advisory Panel

After introductions, the advisory panel (AP) will approve the agenda for the November 2022 meeting. This will be followed by an opportunity for public comment.

1. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

Description: While it was discussed at the previous AP meeting, a Chair or Vice Chair has not been appointed for the AP.

Requested AP action: Appoint a Chair and Vice Chair for the AP.

2. Council Guidance and Questions: Draft Options Paper for Snapper Grouper Amendment 46 (*Attachments 1a and 1b*)

Description: The Council reviewed recommendations from the first meeting of the AP at its September 2022 meeting. The Council approved a vision statement and identified a list of additional questions for the AP to consider.

Vision Statement: A permit for the private recreational sector of the South Atlantic Snapper Grouper fishery will facilitate the collection, validation, and analysis of harvest and discard data to improve the catch and effort estimates used for fisheries science and management decision-making.

Discussion question and topics for the AP:

Permit

- **Improving estimates:** How can a permit without a reporting requirement potentially be integrated into the existing MRIP sampling framework and the Florida State Reef Fish Survey to improve the accuracy of landings and discards estimates?
- **Vessel vs Individual:** Discuss the pros and cons of a vessel permit versus an individual permit.
- **Regional Utility:** How can a permit be developed for potential use in other regions (Gulf of Mexico or Mid-Atlantic) to ensure consistency and standardizations?
- **Renewal:** What are the desirable terms and frequency of permit renewal?
- **Fee:** Does charging a nominal fee effectively reduce oversubscription? What sort of information may be available on the topic?
- **Education:** Weigh in on efficacy of an education certification as a proxy for a permit.
 - Discuss mandatory versus voluntary measures.

Reporting

- **Necessity:** Would there be utility in implementing a permit without a reporting requirement?
- **Validation:** What are the considerations for implementing a reporting requirement that can be validated?
- **Mandatory vs Voluntary:** Discuss the pros and cons of a mandatory versus a voluntary reporting requirement.

Requested AP action: Council staff will review a draft options paper with the AP to help develop responses to the Council's discussion questions and statements.