



**VERSION #2**  
**SAFMC/NMFS SERO REGIONAL OPERATIONS**  
**SCHEDULES/DELIVERABLES**

**ACTIONS RESULTING FROM: MARCH 4-8, 2013 COUNCIL MEETING**

**TIMING:**

√SAFMC Draft by: 3/19/13. Done 3/22/13.

√Distribute to NMFS SERO by: 3/20/13. Done 3/22/13.

Approved by SAFMC & NMFS Staffs: \_\_\_\_\_.

√SAFMC Staff approved based on directions from Council at most recent meeting and review on 3/19/13.

NMFS Staff approved based on internal review and resolution of questions raised.

Done \_\_\_\_\_. This approval is for planning purposes and it must be recognized that changing priorities within the agency may impact timing. If this should happen, NMFS staff will inform SAFMC staff as soon as possible so that appropriate adjustments can be made to the timing of deliverables, etc.

Distribute to Council members & others by 3/29/13. Done \_\_\_\_\_.



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## I. SNAPPER GROUPE

### 1. *Amendment 13A (Oculina Experimental Closed Area) - Anna*

A. Develop an Evaluation Plan for the Experimental Closed Area with needed research and monitoring studies and an enforcement/outreach program - to be completed within 1 year of implementation of Snapper Grouper Amendment 13A. Work with Information & Education, Law Enforcement, Habitat, Coral and Snapper Grouper APs.

- 1) **On-Going Monitoring** – Via e-mail, review material and develop status reports prior to each Council meeting. A report coordinated by Kim (Outreach) and Myra (Research and Monitoring) will be due to Gregg for each Briefing Book deadline.
  - a. Committee &/or Council review and potential action for follow-up at each Council meeting.
  - b. Distribute results of review to Evaluation Team, SSC, and APs.
  - c. Council staff to follow-up with actions as necessary after each meeting.
- 2) **Council meeting deliverables:**
  - a. Anna and Kim to provide to Gregg by 2/8/13 for March 2013 meeting.
  - b. Ann and Kim to provide to Gregg by 5/17/13 for June 2013 meeting.
  - c. Anna and Kim to provide to Gregg by 8/23/13 for September 2013 meeting.
  - d. Anna and Kim to provide to Gregg by 11/8/13 for December 2013 meeting.
- 3) Add Oculina LE to website with links to GC cases, press releases, VHF channel to report violations, etc. in report. (Kim). Done \_\_\_\_\_. Reports continue to be posted as they are received.
- 4) **Oculina Evaluation Team to prepare OECA Evaluation Report in 2014.** This report is a follow-up to the February 2007 Oculina Evaluation Team Report. The report is to provide an update on accomplishments addressing the following components as specified in Final Evaluation Plan for OECA:
  - a. Outreach
  - b. Research/Assessment
  - c. Law Enforcement

## **2. *Amendment 21 Outcome of Visioning Trip Limits Amendment - Myra***

(Vermilion snapper, golden tilefish, black sea bass, gag, greater amberjack, red grouper, and black grouper – trip limit actions, effort and participation reduction and endorsement actions, catch share program for quota species except snowy grouper. To include ITQ, cooperative, RFA, CDQ components, and regional or state by state quota analysis)

Note: Trip limits for vermilion snapper, black sea bass, gag, and greater amberjack moved to Regulatory Amendment 9 at March 2010 Council meeting.

**Note: At the March 2011 meeting the Council removed the Catch Share items from this amendment.**

**August/September 2011 Council meeting: requested clarification on whether this amendment should become an informational document; Council agreed and requested a briefing at some point in the future during 2012.**

**AT THE MARCH 2012 MEETING THE COUNCIL DEFERRED ACTION UNTIL 2013. AT THE DECEMBER 2012 MEETING THE COUNCIL BEGAN THE VISIONING PROCESS.**

### **3. Amendment 22 (Recreational Tag Program to Track Harvest) – Myra**

The Council originally directed staff to develop a plan for preparing SG Amendment 22 to address long-term management for red snapper and identify the level of resources that would be necessary.

August/September 2011 Council meeting: requested clarification on whether this amendment should become an informational document; Council agreed and requested a briefing at some point in the future during 2012.

AT THE MARCH 2012 MEETING THE COUNCIL DEFERRED ACTION UNTIL 2013.

AT THE JUNE 2012 MEETING, THE COUNCIL REQUESTED TO CONTINUE DEVELOPMENT OF AMENDMENT 22 SPECIFICALLY TO EXPLORE A TAG PROGRAM FOR RED SNAPPER THAT WOULD BE ADMINISTERED BY NOAA FISHERIES. THE TAGS WOULD BE DISTRIBUTED THROUGH A LOTTERY SYSTEM. THE TAGS WOULD BE SUBJECT TO THE COMMERCIAL/REC ALLOCATION.

AT THE SEPTEMBER 2012 MEETING, THE COUNCIL REQUESTED TO CONTINUE DEVELOPMENT OF AMENDMENT 22 SPECIFICALLY TO EXPLORE A RECREATIONAL TAG PROGRAM FOR RED SNAPPER, GOLDEN TILEFISH, SNOWY GROUPER & WRECKFISH THAT WOULD BE ADMINISTERED BY NOAA FISHERIES. OPTIONS ARE TO BE PRESENTED TO THE COMMITTEE AT THE JUNE OR SEPTEMBER 2013 MEETING.

SG Amendment 22 IPT Team members:

- √a. SAFMC Team: Myra Brouwer (SAFMC lead); Brian Chevront, Kari Maclauchlin, Roger Pugliese (EFH), Anna Martin (Coral issues), and John Carmichael.
- √b. NMFS SERO Team: Kate Michie (NMFS Lead), Andy Strelcheck, and Jack McGovern (Biologists, Sustainable Fisheries); David Dale (Habitat Division); Jeff Radonski (Law Enforcement); Jenny Lee and Andy Herndon (Protected Resources); David Keys (NEPA); Stephen Holiman and Tony Lamberte (Economists, Sustainable Fisheries); Anik Clemens (regulations writer); and Mike Jepson (Social Scientist, Sustainable Fisheries).
- √c. NMFS SEFSC Team: Refik Orhun and Larry Perruso
- √d. NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello.

Rough Timing/Issues to be resolved:

- a. √IPT meeting – timeline and writing responsibilities; 6/27/12
- b. NMFS determines EA or EIS.
- c. √Options Paper for September 2012 Council meeting
  - i. Expand to include snowy grouper, golden tilefish & wreckfish
  - ii. Others?

- d. ✓ Council provides guidance at September 2012 Council meeting – ~~choose~~ preferreds if possible.
- e. SSC Review in \_\_\_\_\_
- f. Approve for public hearings at \_\_\_\_\_ meeting
- g. Public hearings \_\_\_\_\_
- h. Council reviews public hearing comments and final approval at \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: Scoping meetings for a red snapper tag program were held in Jan-Feb 2011; based on scoping comments and the need for tracking other species, this was expanded to add golden tilefish, snowy grouper & wreckfish.

**WORK WILL RESUME IN 2013 TO PREPARE OPTIONS FOR THE JUNE OR SEPTEMBER 2013 COUNCIL MEETING**



#### **4. Amendment 27/EA (Blue Runner, Yellowtail/Mutton/Nassau Management Authority & Framework) - Myra**

[Note: CE-BA 2 included SG Amendment 23 and the Comprehensive ACL Amendment included SG Amendment 25.]

This amendment will address issues related to Blue Runner and revisions to the FMU to extend SAFMC management into the GMFMC for Yellowtail & Mutton Snapper and Nassau Grouper. Note: The Gulf Council took action in their Generic ACL Amendment to remove Nassau Grouper but the South Atlantic Council has not extended management yet.

At the September 2012 meeting, the Council directed staff to develop a draft amendment for discussion and approval for public hearings at the December 2012 meeting, conduct public hearings in January and finalize/approve for formal review at the March 2013 meeting.

At the December 2012 meeting, the Council moved Yellowtail & Mutton Snapper management authority actions to considered but eliminated from detailed consideration appendix; will be addressed by joint SA/GM group. Actions addressing for-hire crew retention limits and crew number limit were also added.

- A.  IPT Members
  - a. SAFMC Team: Myra Brouwer (SAFMC Lead), Brian Chevront, Kari MacLauchlin, Roger Pugliese, Mike Errigo (data), and Anna Martin (Coral issues)
  - b. NMFS SERO Team: Kate Michie (NMFS Lead) and Jack McGovern (Biologists, Sustainable Fisheries), Andy Strelcheck and Michael Larkin (Data analysts, Sustainable Fisheries), Anik Clemens (Technical writer), Mike Travis (Economist), Christina Package (Social scientist), Andrew Herndon and Adam Brame (Protected Resources), Otha Easley (Law Enforcement), David Keys (NEPA), and David Dale (Habitat Conservation).
  - c. NMFS SEFSC Team: Neil Baertlein (Biologist); Akbar Marvasti (Social Scientist)
  - d. NOAA GC: Monica Smit-Brunello
- B.  Team Conference Call – Sept 26, 2012
- C.  List of actions and alternatives as well as timeline provided to IPT prior to the call
- D.  Draft doc with actions and alternatives sent to IPT by Monday, October 8, 2012
- E.  IPT submits sections to Kate and Myra by October 19, 2012
- F.  Draft doc (or PH summary?) ready for 1st BB by Nov 13, 2012 at 9 am
- G.  BB sent to Council members by Nov 15, 2012
- H.  PH Document edited as needed
- I.  PH document ready for 2nd BB by Nov 26, 2012 by 9 am
- J.  Council guidance, choose preferred alternatives and approve for public hearings at December 2012 meeting
- K.  Public hearings January 22-30, 2013
- L.  Council final review and approve for formal review at March 4-8, 2013 meeting

- M. Document preparation for formal review:
  - a. Revisions and sections due to Kate and Myra — April 12
  - b. Document to NOAA GC by 4/16 and edits due by 4/22
  - c. Team leads finalize doc edits by 4/26
  - d. D. Cupka and G. Waugh review by 5/2
  - e. Document ready to be sent to NMFS by 5/4
- N. SAFMC sends to NMFS for formal review by May 4, 2013. Done \_\_\_\_/13.
- O. Proposed Rule published \_\_\_\_/13.
  - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - b. Comments due by \_\_\_\_/13.
- P. Final Rule published \_\_\_\_/13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on \_\_\_\_13.
  - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - b. Post to web site
- Q. Regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

## **5. Amendment 28/EA (Red Snapper Framework) - Myra**

[Note: CE-BA 2 included SG Amendment 23; the Comprehensive ACL Amendment included SG Amendment 25; CEBA 3 is Am26; Mgmt. Authority, Fmwk & Blue runner is Am 27; and Red Snapper Framework Amendment is 28.]

This amendment will address a framework to reopen red snapper. At the September 2012 meeting, the Council directed staff to include this in SG Regulatory Amendment 15 but NOAA GC determined this needed to be done via a plan amendment because it represents a process.

1. Items included: Red snapper – Establish of a process to determine future ACLs/fishing seasons.
2. Timing - At the September 2012 meeting, the Council approved the following schedule:
  - a. Public comment at December 2013 meeting
  - b. Council final approval at December 2013 meeting
  - c. Send to NMFS for review by Secretary of Commerce - December 14, 2013; changed to January 2013.
  - d. Final regulations effective asap in the 2013 fishing year.

### 1. IPT Members

- a. √SAFMC Team: Myra Brouwer (SAFMC Lead), Brian Chevront, Kari MacLauchlin, Roger Pugliese, Mike Errigo (data), and Anna Martin (Coral issues)
  - b. √NMFS SERO Team: Rick DeVictor (NMFS Lead), Nick Farmer, Mike Larkin, Anik Clemens (Technical Writer), Andy Herndon (Protected Resources), Otha Easley (OLE), Mike Travis (Economist), and Mike Jepson (Social Scientist).
  - c. √NMFS SEFSC Team: Kyle Shertzer, Steve Saul, and Scott Crosson.
  - d. √NOAA GC: Monica Smit-Brunello
- R. Database – agree to fixed data to be used for amendment by \_\_\_\_\_
- S. Document Preparation – follow format used for Regulatory Amendment 13:
- a. √Rick and Myra – use format from Reg Am 13 document and prepare draft for IPT/Staff to use – asap
  - b. √Myra (SAFMC Lead) – coordinates revisions to document
  - c. √List of actions and alternatives as well as timeline provided to IPT prior to the call. Done September 21, 2012.
  - d. √First IPT call – September 26, 2012.
  - e. √10/30/12 COB – IPT submits written sections to Myra and Rick for 1st BB. (The submitted sections need to be complete so that the 11/2-11/9 review will be of a complete version of the amendment.)
  - f. √11/2/12 – Revised document sent to IPT for IPT review and comment.
  - g. √Comments due back from IPT on 11/8/12 COB.
  - h. √11/2/12 – Myra and Rick send to Science Center, David Keys, NOAA GC, and PPI for review and comment. Comments due back from Science Center, David Keys, NOAA GC, and PPI on 11/9/12 COB.

- i. √Myra revises document for 1<sup>st</sup> briefing book by November 13, 2012 at 9 am
- j. √11/19/12 COB - Any editorial changes for 2nd BB version from IPT due.
- k. √Myra revises document for 2<sup>nd</sup> briefing book by November 26, 2012 at 9 am.
- T. √SSC Review - the SSC reviewed the approach during their October 23-25, 2012 meeting and their comments were presented to the Council at the December meeting.
  - a. SSC review version of document available as of November 13, 2012.
  - b. SSC comments included in 2<sup>nd</sup> briefing book on November 26, 2012 or emailed at meeting if SSC needs more time.
- U. √Snapper Grouper AP Review document (11/26/12 version) via mail with comments presented to Council at December meeting. Reviewed during their November 7-8, 2012 meeting and report presented to Council at the December meeting.
- V. √Council reviews and approves for final submission – December 2012.
- W. √Document preparation for formal review:
  - f. IPT leads request review completed by December 21, 2012.
  - g. Staff/IPT completes document by\_\_\_\_\_.
  - h. Council chair reviews document & proposed rule by \_\_\_\_\_ .
  - i. Comments from SERO and NOAA GC received on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - j. Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule by\_\_\_\_\_
  - k. Corrections made by December 12, 2012; changed to January 2013.
- X. √SAFMC sends to NMFS for formal review by December 14, 2012; changed to January 2013. Done 1/24/13.
- Y. Proposed Rule published \_\_\_\_/13.
  - (A) Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - (B) Comments due by \_\_\_\_/13.
- 10. Final Rule published \_\_\_\_/13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on \_\_\_\_\_13.
  - (A) Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - (B) Post to web site
- 11. Regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

## **6. Amendment 29/EA or EIS? (Allocations & ORCS Revisions) - Myra**

[Note: CE-BA 2 included SG Amendment 23; the Comprehensive ACL Amendment included SG Amendment 25; CEBA 3 is Am26; Mgmt. Authority, Fmwk & Blue runner is Am 27; and Red Snapper Framework Amendment is 28.]

This amendment will address Allocations and revisions based on the ORCS methodology. At the September 2012 meeting, the Council directed staff to bring this back up for discussion at the June 2013 meeting to determine timing and other guidance.

- A. IPT Members
  - a. SAFMC Team: Myra Brouwer (SAFMC Lead), Brian Chevront, Kari MacLauchlin, Roger Pugliese, Mike Errigo (data), and Anna Martin (Coral issues)
  - b. NMFS SERO Team: Nikhil Mehta (NMFS Lead) and Jack McGovern (Biologists, Sustainable Fisheries), Nick Farmer and Michael Larkin (Data analysts, Sustainable Fisheries), Anne Marie Eich (Technical writer), Economist and Social scientist (to be determined), Andrew Herndon and Adam Brame (Protected Resources), Otha Easley (Law Enforcement), David Keys (NEPA), and David Dale (Habitat Conservation).
  - c. NMFS SEFSC Team: Kate Andrews and Jakob Tetzlaff (Biologists), Larry Perruso (Social Scientist).
  - d. NOAA GC: Monica Smit-Brunello
- B. Team Conference Call – TBD.
- C.

## 7. **Amendment 30/EIS (Vessel Monitoring System; VMS) – Gregg/Roger**

[Note: This was previously included in CE-BA 3.]

**NMFS WILL DETERMINE WHETHER EA OR EIS PRIOR TO MARCH 2013 COUNCIL MEETING.**

**NMFS DETERMINED THIS IS AN EIS.**

**At the December 2012 meeting, the Council split VMS into a separate amendment.**

- A. IPT Members
  - a. √SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh & Roger Pugliese (SAFMC Co-Leads), Brian Chevront, Kari MacLauchlin, Myra Brouwer, Mike Errigo (data), and Anna Martin (Coral issues).
  - b. √NMFS SERO Team: Rick DeVictor (NMFS Lead), Scott Sandorf (Reg. Writer), Christina Package (Anthropologist), Stephen Holiman (Economist), David Keys (NEPA), and Otha Easley (OLE)
  - c. √NMFS SEFSC Team: Neil Baertlein (Biologist)
  - d. √NOAA GC: Monica Smit-Brunello
- B. VMS Presentations (pull minutes and presentations from last time, 2011??, Pat gave his presentation)
  - a. March 2013 Council meeting
  - b. April 2013 SG AP meeting
- C. √Team Conference Call – TBD in early January 2013.
- D. Document preparations for March 2013 meeting
  - a. √Create separate document from CEBA-3 – Gregg. Done by Rick DeVictor, SERO
  - b. √Distribute to IPT
  - c. √Comments back to Gregg and Rick by \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. √Document revised for 1<sup>st</sup> BB 2/9/13.
- E. Public input
  - a. √Email address: SGAmend30Comments@safmc.net
- F. √Approve for Public Hearings at the March 2013 Council meeting.
- G. √Document preparation for public hearings:
  - a. √Staff (Gregg) revises summary and distributes to tech staff – done 8/21/13
  - b. √Summary finalized by Amber and posted by COB 8/22/13
  - c. √Staff completes amendment document by March 22, 2013 and sends to Rick. Done 3/22/13.
  - d. Rick completes quick review and distributes to IPT by COB 3/25/13.
  - e. Gregg completes any edits necessary before posting – by COB 3/28/13.
  - f. Public hearing version posted by COB 3/29/13.
- H. Public Hearings – April 15-25, 2013. See Section XI. For details. Comments due by 5 pm on May 3, 2013.
- I. AP Review – April 23-25, 2013 (use public hearing version)
- J. Document preparation for June meeting:
  - a. IPT leads send revised amendment & SG Committee Final report to IPT – by 3/25/13

- b. IPT sections due to IPT leads – by COB 4/12/13
- c. IPT leads finalize document – by 4/15/13
- d. SEFSC/PPI/NOAA GC/IPT review April 16 – May 7
- e. IPT leads finalize document by May 16, 2013
- K. Final Review and Consideration for Approval at the June 2013 meeting.
- L. Document preparation for formal review:
  - a. IPT leads request review completed by \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Staff/IPT completes document by \_\_\_\_\_.
  - c. Council chair reviews document & proposed rule by \_\_\_\_\_ .
  - d. Comments from SERO and NOAA GC received on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - e. Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule by \_\_\_\_\_
  - f. Corrections made by \_\_\_\_\_.
- M. SAFMC sends to NMFS for formal review by \_\_\_\_\_. Done \_\_\_\_/13.
- N. Proposed Rule published \_\_\_\_/13.
  - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - b. Comments due by \_\_\_\_/13.
- N. Final Rule published \_\_\_\_/13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on \_\_\_\_13.
  - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - b. Post to web site
- O. Regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

## **8. Regulatory Amendment 13/EA (Technical Adjustment to Recreational Data; results in changes to Allocations & ACLs) – Brian**

1. Assign Team – TBD
  - a. ✓SAFMC Team: Brian Chevront (SAFMC Lead), Myra Brower, Kari Maclauchlin, Roger Pugliese (EFH), Anna Martin (Coral), John Carmichael, and Mike Errigo (Data).
  - b. ✓NMFS SERO Team: Nikhil Mehta (NMFS Lead) & Jack McGovern (Biologists, Sustainable Fisheries); Nick Farmer & Michael Larkin (Data Analysts, Sustainable Fisheries); Denise Johnson (Economist, Sustainable Fisheries); Christina Package (Social Scientist, Sustainable Fisheries); Anne Marie Eich (Technical Writer, Sustainable Fisheries); David Keys (NEPA); David Dale (Habitat Conservation); Jenny Lee and Andrew Herndon (Protected Resources); and Jeff Radonski (Law Enforcement).
  - c. ✓NMFS SEFSC Team: Kyle Shertzer (Biologist) and Juan Agar (Social Scientist).
  - d. ✓NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello
2. ✓Database – prepared by SERO using same format, etc. as used in Comp ACL Amendment:
  - a. ✓Include shore mode and MRIP data (2004 onwards) by October 5, 2012.
  - b. ✓Update landings with any corrections since Comp ACL Amendment was finalized by October 5, 2012.
  - c. ✓Include columns that show allocations and ABCs/ACLs with these changes
  - d. ✓Provide for IPT review by October 8, 2012.
  - e. ✓Include revised recreational numbers from MRFSS/MRIP conversions once available from SEFSC and reviewed by SSC – October 25, 2012
  - f. ✓Allocations recalculated using Boyle’s Law as specified in Comp ACL Amendment
  - g. ✓Show revised ABCs/ACLs and distribute by October 26, 2012
3. ✓Document Preparation – follow format used for Resubmittal of Action from Snapper Grouper Amendment 18A:
  - a. ✓Nik and Brian – use format from resubmittal document and prepare draft for IPT/Staff to use – asap
  - b. ✓Brian (SAFMC Lead) – coordinates revisions to document
  - c. ✓Sections due to Brian by –
  - d. ✓Sent for IPT review by –
  - e. ✓IPT comments to Brian by –
  - f. ✓Brian revises document for 1<sup>st</sup> briefing book by November 13, 2012 at 9 am
  - g. ✓IPT/Staff final review and revisions to Brian by November 21, 2012
  - h. ✓Brian revises document for 2<sup>nd</sup> briefing book by November 26, 2012 at 9 am.
4. ✓SSC Review
  - a. ✓SSC review version of document available as of November 13, 2012.
  - b. ✓SSC comments included in 2<sup>nd</sup> briefing book on November 26, 2012 or emailed at meeting if SSC needs more time.
5. ✓Snapper Grouper AP Review document (11/26/12 version) via mail with comments presented to Council at December meeting.



6. ✓ Council reviews and approves for final submission – December 2012.
7. ✓ Document preparation for formal review:
  - a. ✓ Staff/IPT completes document by 11/16/12.
  - b. Council chair reviews document & proposed rule by \_\_\_\_\_ .
  - c. Comments from SERO and NOAA GC received on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - d. Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule by \_\_\_\_\_
  - e. Corrections made by December 12, 2012.
8. ✓ Council sends amendment for formal review on \_\_\_\_\_. Done December 17, 2012.
9. ✓ Proposed Rule published 3/21/13.
  - (A) Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - (B) Comments due by 4/22/13.
10. Final Rule published \_\_\_\_\_/13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on \_\_\_\_\_13.
  - (A) Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - (B) Post to web site
10. Regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

## 9. **Regulatory Amendment 14/EA – Myra**

- A. √Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at June 2012 meeting:
    - a. Amberjack – fishing year & reduce trip limit
    - b. Mutton snapper – additional protection during spawning season
    - c. Gray triggerfish – size limit & measurement (FL vs TL)
    - d. Black sea bass fishing year – recreational and commercial
    - e. Vermilion snapper – after the meeting suggested reduce trip limit
  - B. √Council review and provides guidance at September meeting. The Council directed staff to bring options back to the Council at the March 2013 meeting.
  - C. √At the September 2012 meeting, the Council directed staff/IPT to develop alternatives for the following items:
    - a. Amberjack – fishing year & reduce trip limit
    - b. Mutton snapper – additional protection during spawning season
    - c. Gray triggerfish – change size limit measurement from Total Length (TL) to Fork Length (FL)
    - d. Black sea bass fishing year – recreational and commercial
    - e. Vermilion snapper – modify commercial trip limit and recreational bag limit; adjust start of 2<sup>nd</sup> commercial season; modify recreational closed season
    - f. Hogfish – increase the minimum size limit
    - g. Red porgy – modify recreational bag limit and commercial head count
    - h. Modify aggregate grouper bag limit
    - i. **New item: Black sea bass adjustments based on update assessment and new P\* analyses.**
    - j. **New item: Vermilion snapper adjustments based on update assessment**
    - k. **New item: Red porgy adjustments based on update assessment**
  - D. √At the September 2012 meeting, the Council approved the following schedule:
    - a. Council Approves for public hearings at June 2013 meeting
    - b. Public hearings August 2013
    - c. Public comment at September 2013 meeting
    - d. Council final approval at September 2013 meeting
    - e. Send to Secretary of Commerce September 27, 2013
    - f. Final regulations effective asap in the 2014 fishing year.
  - E. √At the December 2012 meeting, the Council moving New Items j & k to Regulatory Amendment 18 and deleted item g. The Council also added AM adjustments to vermilion snapper and red porgy to Regulatory Amendment 14.
1. Assign Team – TBD
- a. √SAFMC Team: Myra Brower (SAFMC Lead), Kari Maclauchlin, Brian Chevront, Roger Pugliese (EFH), Anna Martin (Coral), and Mike Errigo (Data).
  - b. √NMFS SERO Team: Nikhil Mehta (SAFMC Lead) & Jack McGovern (Biologists, Sustainable Fisheries); Jessica Stephen & Michael Larkin (Data Analysts, Sustainable Fisheries); Tony Lamberte (Economist, Sustainable

Fisheries); Michael Jepson (Social Scientist, Sustainable Fisheries); Scott Sandorf (Technical Writer, Sustainable Fisheries); David Keys (NEPA); David Dale (Habitat Conservation); Jenny Lee and Andrew Herndon (Protected Resources); and Jeff Radonski (to be determined) (Law Enforcement).

- c. √NMFS SEFSC Team: Todd Kellison (Biologist) and Larry Perruso (Social Scientist).
  - d. √NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello
2. Database – agree to fixed data to be used for amendment by \_\_\_\_\_

Notes:

- a) Florida is conducting the mutton snapper assessment and results will not be available until Nov/Dec 2012. The SSC will review the assessment at their April 2013 meeting, and the Council will receive the assessment results/SSC comments at their June 2013 meeting.
- b) An update assessment for vermilion snapper and red porgy will be conducted in 2012.
- c) An update assessment for black sea bass will be conducted in 2013.
- d) Gray triggerfish will be assessed in 2013.

3. Timing

- a. Options reviewed at March 2013 Council meeting
- b. SSC & AP review – April 2013
- c. Approve for public hearings – June Council meeting
- d. Public hearings – August 6-16, 2013
- e. Review public hearing comments and approve for formal review – September 2013 meeting

4. Snapper Grouper AP meeting – review all SG and Coral Amendments

- a. April 23 (1:30 pm) – 25 (noon), 2013; hotel cutoff 3/25/13:

Hilton Garden Inn Airport 5265 International Blvd. North Charleston, SC 29418 Phone: 843-308-9330 or 800-445-8667
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## **10. Regulatory Amendment 15/EA (Yellowtail Snapper & Gag AM) – Myra**

- A. ✓At the September 2012 meeting, the Council directed staff/IPT to develop alternatives for the following items:
    - a. Yellowtail snapper – adjustments to ABC/ACL/ACT from assessment; change commercial fishing season start date; and implement a commercial spawning season closure.
    - b. Gag trigger – evaluate requirement that all shallow water groupers close when gag ACL is met
    - c. ~~Red snapper – alternatives to allow opening as was done through emergency rule this year.~~ **Moved to SG Amendment 28 based on NOAA GC guidance.**
  - B. ✓At the September 2012 meeting, the Council approved the following schedule:
    - a. Public comment at December 2013 meeting
    - b. Council final approval at December 2013 meeting
    - c. Send to Secretary of Commerce by December 14, 2013
    - d. Final regulations effective asap in the 2013 fishing year.
  - C. ✓At the December 2012 meeting, the Council approved the following schedule:
    - a. Public comment at December 2012 meeting
    - b. Council final approval at December 2012 meeting
    - c. Send to Secretary of Commerce by January 2013
    - d. Final regulations effective asap in the 2013 fishing year.
1. ✓Assign Team –
- a. ✓SAFMC Team: Myra Brower (SAFMC Lead), Kari Maclauchlin, Brian Chevront, Roger Pugliese (EFH), Anna Martin (Coral), and Mike Errigo (Data).
  - b. ✓NMFS SERO Team: Rick DeVactor (NMFS Lead), Nick Farmer, Mike Larkin, Anik Clemens (Technical Writer), Andy Herndon (Protected Resources), Otha Easley (OLE), Mike Travis (Economist), and Mike Jepson (Social Scientist).
  - c. ✓NMFS SEFSC Team: Kyle Shertzer, Steve Saul, and Scott Crosson.
  - d. ✓NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello
2. Database – agree to fixed data to be used for amendment by \_\_\_\_\_
3. Document Preparation – follow format used for Regulatory Amendment 13:
- a. ✓Rick and Myra – use format from Reg Am 13 document and prepare draft for IPT/Staff to use – asap
  - b. ✓Myra (SAFMC Lead) – coordinates revisions to document
  - c. ✓List of actions and alternatives as well as timeline provided to IPT prior to the call. Done September 21, 2012.
  - d. ✓First IPT call – September 26, 2012.
  - e. ✓10/30/12 COB – IPT submits written sections to Myra and Rick for 1st BB. (The submitted sections need to be complete so that the 11/2-11/9 review will be of a complete version of the amendment.)

- f. √11/2/12 – Revised document sent to IPT for IPT review and comment.
  - g. √Comments due back from IPT on 11/8/12 COB.
  - h. √11/2/12 – Myra and Rick send to Science Center, David Keys, NOAA GC, and PPI for review and comment. Comments due back from Science Center, David Keys, NOAA GC, and PPI on 11/9/12 COB. Changed to after the December 2012 Council meeting.
  - i. √Myra revises document for 1<sup>st</sup> briefing book by November 13, 2012 at 9 am
  - j. √11/19/12 COB - Any editorial changes for 2nd BB version from IPT due.
  - k. √Myra revises document for 2<sup>nd</sup> briefing book by November 26, 2012 at 9 am.
4. √SSC Review - the SSC reviewed the approach during their October 23-25, 2012 meeting and their comments were presented to the Council at the December meeting.
    - a. SSC review version of document available as of November 13, 2012.
    - b. SSC comments included in 2<sup>nd</sup> briefing book on November 26, 2012 or emailed at meeting if SSC needs more time.
  5. √Snapper Grouper AP Review document (11/26/12 version) via mail with comments presented to Council at December meeting. Reviewed during their November 7-8, 2012 meeting and report presented to Council at the December meeting.
  6. √Council reviews and approves for final submission – December 2012.
  7. √Myra and Rick send to Science Center, David Keys, NOAA GC, and PPI for review and comment. Comments due back from Science Center, David Keys, NOAA GC, and PPI on \_\_\_\_\_.
  8. √Document preparation for formal review:
    - a. Staff/IPT completes document by\_\_\_\_\_.
    - b. Council chair reviews document & proposed rule by \_\_\_\_\_ .
    - c. Comments from SERO and NOAA GC received on \_\_\_\_\_.
    - d. Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule by\_\_\_\_\_
    - e. Corrections made by December 12, 2012; changed to January 2013.
  9. √Council sends amendment for formal review on \_\_\_\_\_/13. Done 3/1/13.
  10. Proposed Rule published \_\_\_\_\_/13.
    - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
    - b. Comments due by \_\_\_\_/13.
  11. Final Rule published \_\_\_\_\_/13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on \_\_\_\_\_ 13.
    - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
    - b. Post to web site
  12. Regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

## **11. *Regulatory Amendment 16/EA – Myra***

- A. √Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at September meeting
    - a. Golden tilefish – 2 weeks on and 2 weeks off
  - B. At the September 2012 meeting, the Council approved the following schedule:
    - a. Staff/IPT develop options for March 2013 meeting
    - b. Council provide guidance at March meeting
    - c. Council Approves for public hearings at June 2013 meeting
    - d. Public hearings August 2013
    - e. Public comment at September 2013 meeting
    - f. Council final approval at September 2013 meeting
    - g. Send to Secretary of Commerce by September 27, 2013
    - h. Final regulations effective asap in the 2014 fishing year.
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- 1. √Assign Team – TBD
    - a. √SAFMC Team: Myra Brower (SAFMC Lead), Kari Maclauchlin, Brian Chevront, Roger Pugliese (EFH), Anna Martin (Coral), and Mike Errigo (Data).
    - b. √NMFS SERO Team: Karla Gore (NMFS Lead), Jack McGovern, Anne Marie Eich (Regs Writer), Denise Johnson (Economist), Mike Jepson (Social Scientist), Adam Braim (Protected Resources), David Keys (NEPA), Otha Easley (OLE)
    - c. √NMFS SEFSC Team: Kyle Shertzer, Scott Crosson
    - d. √NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello
  - 2. Timing
    - a. Options reviewed at March 2013 Council meeting
    - b. SSC & AP review – April 2013
    - c. Approve for public hearings – June 2013 Council meeting
    - d. Public hearings – August 6-16, 2013
    - e. Review public hearing comments and approve for formal review – September 2013 meeting

**12. Regulatory Amendment 17 (MPAs)/EA or EIS? – Gregg/Roger**

- A. At the September 2012 meeting, the Council directed staff/IPT to develop alternatives for the following items:
  - a. MPAs for speckled hind and warsaw grouper
- B. At the September 2012 meeting, the Council approved the following schedule:
  - a. Council Approves for public hearings at June 2013 meeting
  - b. Public hearings August 2013
  - c. Public comment at September 2013 meeting
  - d. Council final approval at September 2013 meeting
  - e. Send to Secretary of Commerce September 27, 2013
  - f. Final regulations effective asap in the 2014 fishing year.

At the September meeting the Council directed staff to have the SERO present Tier 1 alternatives for reorienting existing MPAs at the December 2012 meeting and to discuss timing and further guidance at that time.

At the December 2012 meeting, the Council directed staff to conduct a second MPA Expert Working Group meeting prior to the March 2013 meeting. The Committee/Council will provide guidance on options and timing at the March 2013 meeting.

**NMFS TO DETERMINE WHETHER EA OR EIS PRIOR TO MARCH 2013 COUNCIL MEETING.**

At the March 2013 meeting, the Council reviewed the second MPA Expert Working Group report and minority report. The Committee/Council decided to bring the MPA issue back to the Snapper Grouper Committee at the September meeting to develop a purpose and need and potentially consider options for reconfigurations and spawning. Staff are to develop a draft Purpose & Need statement and indicate which of the sites in the report are reconfigurations and which target spawning sites.

- 1. Assign Team – TBD
  - a. √SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh/Roger Pugliese (SAFMC Co-Leads), Myra Brouwer, Kari Maclauchlin, Brian Chevront, Anna Martin (Coral), and Mike Errigo (Data).
  - b. √NMFS SERO Team: Rick DeVictor (NMFS Lead), Karla Gore (SERO), Nick Farmer (SERO), Jack McGovern (SERO), Stephen Holiman (NMFS Economist), Mike Jepson (Social Scientist), David Dale (HCD), Otha Easley (OLE), Jenny Lee and Andy Herndon (PR), David Keys (NEPA), and Scott Sandorf (Regulations writer).
  - c. √NMFS SEFSC Team: Todd Kellison (Biologist) and Larry Perruso (Social Scientist).
  - d. √NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello

**ESTABLISHMENT OF SHELF-EDGE MPAs TO PROTECT SPECKLED HIND AND WARSAW GROUPEr**

- A. ✓MPA public workshops held in FL and NC in conjunction with public hearings in August 2012:

<p><b><u>August 7, 2012</u></b>          Jacksonville Marriott          4670 Salisbury Road  <b>Jacksonville, FL 32256</b>          Phone: 904-296-2222</p>	<p><b><u>August 8, 2012</u></b>          Doubletree Hotel          2080 N. Atlantic Avenue          Cocoa Beach, Florida 32931          Phone: 321-783-9222</p>
<p><b><u>August 9, 2012</u></b>          Hilton Key Largo Resort          97000 South Overseas Highway          Key Largo, Florida 33037          Phone: 305-852-5553</p>	<p><b><u>August 16, 2012</u></b>          Hilton New Bern/Riverfront          100 Middle Street          New Bern, NC 28560          Phone: 252-638-3585</p>

- B. ✓Public input presented to Council at September 2012 meeting in Charleston  
 C. ✓SERO presentation at December 2012 meeting in Wilmington, NC on Tier 1 alternatives for reorienting existing MPAs.  
 D. ✓MPA Expert Workgroup Meeting –

<p><b><u>February 4 (1pm) – 6(noon), 2013</u></b>          Crown Plaza          4831 Tanger Outlet Blvd.          North Charleston, SC 29418          Phone: 843-744-4422</p>
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- E. ✓Meeting arrangements  
 a. ✓Memo to Workgroup members – Roger to do on 12/11/12 with dates and city only (not hotel). Done 12/11/12.  
 b. ✓FR notice  
 c. ✓Briefing materials including presentation – done 1/2/13  
 F. Workgroup Report  
 a. XDraft completed at meeting  
 b. ✓Final report for inclusion in 2<sup>nd</sup> BBook – 2/22/13. Draft of workgroup report distributed and posted on 2/27/13.  
 G. In preparation for the September 2013 Snapper Grouper Committee meeting, staff are to develop a draft Purpose & Need statement and indicate which of the sites in the report are reconfigurations and which target spawning sites.  
 H. The Committee/Council will provide guidance on actions and timing at the September 2013 meeting.



### **13. Regulatory Amendment 18/EA (Vermilion Snapper & Red Porgy) –Gregg**

1. Assign Team – TBD
  - a. ✓SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh (SAFMC Lead), Brian Chevront, Myra Brower, Kari Maclauchlin, Roger Pugliese (EFH), Anna Martin (Coral), John Carmichael, and Mike Errigo (Data).
  - b. ✓NMFS SERO Team: Kate Michie (NMFS Lead), Rick DeVictor, Tony Lamberte (economist), Mike Jepson (Social Scientist), Andy Strelcheck (Data), Mike Larkin (Data), Scott Sandorf (Regs Writer), Adam Brame Protected Resources, Otha Easley (LE), David Keys (NEPA).
  - c. ✓NMFS SEFSC Team: Lew Coggins (biologist) & Scott Crosson (economist)
  - d. ✓NOAA GC Team: Mara Levy
2. Database – prepared by SERO
  - a. Agreement on years to include.
  - b. Provide for IPT review by January 8, 2012.
3. Document Preparation – follow format used for Reg Amendment 13?? and latest guidance document:
  - a. ✓Gregg prepare list of actions/alternatives – done 12/12/12.
  - b. ✓Team leads review and modify – done 12/13/12.
  - c. ✓Kate – prepare draft amendment document using Reg Am 13 and list of actions/alternatives for IPT/Staff to use – asap. Done 1/3/13.
  - d. ✓Gregg (SAFMC Lead) – coordinates revisions to document
  - e. ✓Sections due to Gregg and Kate by –
  - f. ✓Sent for IPT review by –
  - g. ✓IPT comments to Gregg by –
  - h. ✓Gregg revises document for 1<sup>st</sup> briefing book by February 11, 2013 at 9 am
  - i. ✓IPT/Staff final review and revisions to Gregg and Kate by February 20, 2013 at 5 pm
  - j. ✓Gregg revises document for 2<sup>nd</sup> briefing book by February 25, 2013 at 9 am.
4. Public Comment
  - a. ✓Email: [SRegAm18Comments@safmc.net](mailto:SRegAm18Comments@safmc.net)
  - b. ✓Post to website on 2/13/13 with comments due by March 4, 2013
  - c. Public comments during Q & A and Friday of Council meeting
5. ✓Snapper Grouper AP Review document (2<sup>nd</sup> BB version) via mail with comments presented to Council at March 2013 meeting.
6. ✓SSC Review document – the SSC reviewed the stock assessment data/results at their October 2012 meeting; they were sent 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> BB versions.
7. ✓Council reviews and approves for final submission – March 2013.
8. Document preparation for formal review:
  - a. ✓IPT call on March 18, 2013 at 10 am
  - b. ✓Gregg to provide Council Conclusions by 3/20/13. Done 3/20.
  - c. ✓Brian/Kari to provide updated discussion of new Action 5 alternative and RIR by 3/22/13. Done 3/21.
  - d. ✓Tony to provide Reg Flex Analysis by 3/25/13. Done 3/22.
  - e. Council chair reviews document & proposed rule by 3/26 – 3/29.

- f. Comments from SERO and NOAA GC received by April 3, 2013
  - g. Council staff completes final review of document by 3/29/13
- 7. SAFMC sends to NMFS by April 5, 2013.
- 8. Proposed Rule published \_\_\_\_/13.
  - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - b. Comments due by \_\_\_\_/13.
- 9. Final Rule published \_\_\_\_/13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on \_\_\_\_13.
  - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - b. Post to web site
- 10. Regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_ (prior to September 1, 2013 when commercial closure would be expected).

## **14. Regulatory Amendment 19/EA (Black Sea Bass) –Gregg**

1. Assign Team – TBD
  - a. ✓SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh/Myra Brower (SAFMC Co-Leads), Brian Chevront, Kari Maclauchlin, Roger Pugliese (EFH), Anna Martin (Coral), John Carmichael, and Mike Errigo (Data).
  - b. NMFS SERO Team:
  - c. NMFS SEFSC Team:
  - d. NOAA GC Team:
2. Database –
  - a. Agreement on years to include.
  - b. Provide for use
3. Document Preparation – follow format used for Reg Amendment 18?? and latest guidance document; preliminary analyses done using format planned for fast framework in Am 27:
  - a. ✓Gregg prepare list of actions/alternatives – done 3/15/13.
  - b. ✓SAFMC staff review and modify – done 3/19/13.
  - c. ✓Gregg sends to Stephen and Monica – done 3/20/13.
  - d. BSB assessment report received from Beaufort Lab by COB 3/20/13
  - e. SAFMC staff prepares draft analyses using planned format for framework and send to SERO – 4/1/13. Done 4/\_/13.
  - f. SERO staff comments to SAFMC staff – 4/5/13. Done 4/\_/13.
  - g. SAFMC staff prepares draft Reg Am 19 document using preliminary analyses and format from Reg Am 18 and send to IPT by noon on 4/12/13.
  - h. IPT comments due to Gregg and Myra by COB 4/19/13.
  - i. SAFMC staff finalize Reg Am 19 by 3 pm 4/26/13.
  - j. Emailed to Council members by COB 4/26/13.
  - k. SERO sends for 2 week SEFSC/PPI/NEPA/NOAA GC review; comments due by 5 pm on 5/10/13.
4. Public Comment
  - a. Email: [SGRegAm19Comments@safmc.net](mailto:SGRegAm19Comments@safmc.net)
  - b. Post to website on 4/26/13 with comments due by 5 p.m. Friday, 5/10/13.
  - c. Public comments during Webinar Council meeting that is scheduled 1-3 pm on Monday, 5/13/13. Public comments should start at 1:30 pm.
5. Council reviews and approves for final submission – May 13, 2013.
6. Document preparation for formal review:
  - a. Council staff completes final review of document by 4 pm on 5/14/13
9. SAFMC sends to NMFS by 5 pm on May 14, 2013.
10. Proposed Rule published \_\_\_\_/13.
  - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - b. Comments due by \_\_\_\_/13.
10. Final Rule published \_\_\_\_/13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on \_\_\_\_ 13.
  - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - b. Post to web site
11. Regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_ (prior to September 1, 2013 when commercial closure would be expected).

## II. ECOSYSTEM

### 1. *Fishery Ecosystem Plan – Roger*

Note: The original FEP document was prepared by a very large team of technical experts from NMFS, USFWS, COE, States, Universities, Advisory Panel Members, conservation organizations and research institutions. This was the very same process used to draft the Habitat Plan. An IPT was established for the FEP Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment but one was not needed for the FEP.

- A. Original FEP Approved by Council – March 2009
- B. Original FEP submitted as Source Document for Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment 1 which was approved on June 1, 2010 with regulations effective on July 22, 2010
- C. Process for FEP II – **Roger to add in 2013.** Work to begin in 2013.
  - a. Input from Ecosystem Committee on what should be included
  - b. Include an evaluation of FEP and how to use the FEP more effectively in the future
  - c. Improvements to FEP II to make it more effective
  - d. Evaluate how amendments can incorporate this information by reference to reduce size of documents

### 2. *Essential Fish Habitat – Roger*

- A. Coordinate Habitat Policy Statement Development and Revision
  - a. Identify focus teams of Habitat AP members to perform initial reviews and develop revision/update recommendations. Initiated in conjunction with November 14-15, 2012 AP meeting.
- B. Initiate Development of a South Atlantic Fish Habitat Condition Report
  - a. Identify Habitat AP members to provide input on a core development team. Initiated in conjunction with November 14-15, 2012 AP meeting.

### 3. *Other FEP- Ecosystem-Based Management related Meetings/Coordination (2012/13)*

The following FEP/Ecosystem-Based Management related meetings/coordination are scheduled for 2013:

- 1) **Habitat and Environmental Advisory Panel Meeting; portion joint with Coral AP to review Coral Amendment 8**
- 2) SEAMAP Workgroup – March 4, 2013 from 1-6 pm; concurrent with SAFMC
- 3) GSAA Executive Planning Team Meeting March 13-14, 2013 Raleigh, NC
- 4) SALCC Steering Committee Meeting March 19-21, 2013
- 5) SECOORA Member and Board Meeting May 13-15, 2013 Jacksonville, FL

#### 4. *Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment 3 – Anna*

Items included during scoping:

- A. Speckled hind and Warsaw grouper – consider alternatives to provide protection in the mid-shelf fishery
- B. Powerhead prohibition in EEZ off NC
- C. Potential expansion of HAPC areas
- D. Consideration of expansion of Snowy Wreck MPA
- E. Wreckfish fishery impacts to deepwater coral habitat; and also impacts associated with deep dropping for other SG species

The Council revised the items to be included at the March 2012 meeting:

- A. Speckled hind and Warsaw grouper – consider alternatives to provide protection in the mid-shelf fishery
- B. Potential expansion of Coral HAPC areas
- C. Improvements to permits and data reporting (commercial and for-hire) and bycatch reporting

The Council revised the items to be included at the June 2012 meeting:

- A. Improvements to permits and data reporting (commercial and for-hire) and bycatch reporting

At the September meeting, VMS for the commercial snapper grouper fishery was moved to a separate action in CE-BA 3.

At the December meeting, the Council:

- 1. Moved VMS to Snapper Grouper Amendment 30
- 2. Moved SAFMC For-hire reporting to a Generic SG, D/W & CMP Amendment
- 3. Moved Commercial Reporting to a Joint SA/GM Amendment

The only remaining item in CE-BA 3 is bycatch reporting; staff was directed to revise the document and bring to the Council in March 2013 for final review and approval.

At the March 2013 meeting, the Council reviewed and made changes to CE-BA 3. The Council requested an analysis from NOAA GC to identify how the South Atlantic Council is meeting its bycatch requirements under the MSA. The Council also voted to postpone further consideration of CE-BA 3 until receipt of analysis from NOAA GC.

Timing:

- A. ✓ Council considers items at September 2011 meeting
- B. ✓ Council refines list and approves for scoping – December 2011 meeting
- C. ✓ Scope in January/February – see below for details
- D. ✓ Council reviews scoping comments at March 2012 meeting and provides guidance to Staff/IPT
- E. ✓ Individual Council Species Committees develop actions/alternatives
- F. ✓ Council reviews amendment and approves for public hearings at June 2012 meeting
- G. ✓ Public hearings – August 2012

- H. √Council reviews public hearing comments and approves for formal review at September 2012 meeting; final approval deferred to December 2012. The Council provided further guidance at the December 2012 meeting; final approval deferred to March 2013 meeting
- I. Changes implemented January 1, 2013; as early as possible in 2013.

Appoint IPT Team:

- A. √Council Team – Anna Martin (Council Lead; lead for Coral actions), Brian Chevront (Economic impacts), Kari MacLauchlin (Social impacts), Myra Brouwer (lead for Snapper Grouper actions), Gregg Waugh (lead for Data actions) and Roger Pugliese (Habitat issues/GIS).
- B. √NMFS SERO Team – Karla Gore (NMFS Lead); Nick Farmer, Rick DeVictor, and Jack McGovern (SERO); Stephen Holiman (NMFS Economist); Mike Jepson (Social Scientist); David Dale (HCD); Otha Easley (OLE); Jenny Lee and Andy Herndon (PR); and David Keys (NEPA); Anne Marie Eich (Regulations writers).
- C. √NMFS SEFSC Team – Ken Brennan.
- D. √NOAA GC – Monica Smit-Brunello.

Advisory Panel Input:

- A. √Coral AP: October 25-26, 2010 meeting, Charleston, SC
  - (1) Hotel location
  - (2) FR notice
  - (3) Briefing materials
- B. √Snapper Grouper AP: October 5-6, 2011 in Charleston, SC
  - (1) Hotel location
  - (2) FR notice
  - (3) Briefing materials
- C. √Habitat AP: November 15-16, 2011 in Charleston, SC
  - (1) Hotel location
  - (2) FR notice
  - (3) Briefing materials
- D. √Shrimp & Deepwater Shrimp AP – April 20, 2012 (8:30 am – 4 pm) in Charleston, SC
  - (1) Hotel location
  - (2) FR notice
  - (3) Briefing materials
- E. √Snapper Grouper AP – April 18 (8:30 am) – 19 (4 pm), 2012 in Charleston, SC
  - (1) Hotel location
  - (2) FR notice
  - (3) Briefing materials
- F. √Dolphin/Wahoo AP – April 24, 2012 (8:30 am – noon) in Charleston, SC
  - (1) Hotel location
  - (2) FR notice
  - (3) Briefing materials
- G. √Mackerel AP – April 24 (1:30 pm) – 25 (4 pm), 2012 in Charleston, SC
  - (1) Hotel location
  - (2) FR notice
  - (3) Briefing materials

- H. √Coral AP – May 9 (9:00 am – 5:00 pm) – 10 (9:00 am – 12 noon), 2012 in Charleston, SC
  - (1) Hotel location
  - (2) FR notice
  - (3) Briefing materials
- I. √Habitat AP will review via webinar on May 15, 2012 from 2-4 pm. The Habitat AP will meet in person in the Fall as normal

Specific Steps:

- A. √NOI to publish in FR by\_\_\_\_\_. NOI published on 5/23/12. **Given that MPAs removed, a new checklist will be sent out to determine if this amendment will be an EA or EIS.**
  - a. (Note: A NOI is not needed if CE-BA 3 is an EA. More information is needed before it can be determined if CE-BA 3 will be an EA or EIS. If it is an EIS, a NOI will be produced after the March 2012 Council meeting. The SAFMC conducted scoping during the Council’s MSA scoping in January/February 2012.)
- B. √Draft MSA scoping document.
- C. √Distribute MSA scoping document to the Team.  
Schedule a Team call if needed.
- D. √MSA Scoping meetings for CE-BA 3. **Scoping from 4-7 pm**

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- E. √Written comments due on or before 5 pm on February 15, 2012.
- F. √Council reviews scoping comments and provides direction to staff at March 2012 meeting.
- G. √Anna drafts amendment with options and distributes to Team by 3/26/12
- H. √Team provides edits to Anna and Karla by 5/21/12
- I. √Conference call to discuss changes to document for BB distribution.
- J. ~~Anna revises CE-BA 3 and provides to Team by 4/XX/12~~
- K. ~~Team comments back to Anna by 5/X/12~~
- L. √CE-BA 3 to Gregg for BB by 5/21/12
- M. √Committee/Council revises CE-BA 3 at June Council meeting and approves for public hearings

NOTE: AT THE JUNE 2012 COUNCIL MEETING, THE COUNCIL MOVED ALL ACTIONS PERTAINING TO CORAL HAPCS AND SHELF-EDGE MPAs FROM CE-BA 3 TO CE-BA 4. SEE BELOW FOR PROPOSED TIMELINE FOR MPA DEVELOPMENT

The Council provided guidance on items to be further developed in CE-BA 3 during the June 2012 meeting:

- A. Include modifications to data collection (for-hire and commercial) and bycatch reporting in CE-BA 3 and approved for public hearings
  - B. Develop Coral HAPC measures in CE-BA 4 after a joint meeting of the Coral, Deepwater Shrimp, and representatives from the Habitat and Law Enforcement APs during the fall of 2012
  - C. Proceed with developing additional protections for speckled hind and warsaw grouper; the SSC is to provide guidance on ABC values for speckled hind and warsaw grouper during their October 2012 meeting
- N. ✓ Staff revises CE-BA 3 according to guidance
- O. ✓ Public Hearings for data collection actions in CE-BA 3 held during August 2012:  
Public hearings will be held from 4-7 pm

<p><b><u>August 9, 2012</u></b>            Hilton Key Largo Resort            97000 South Overseas Highway            Key Largo, Florida 33037            Phone: 305-852-5553</p>	<p><b><u>August 8, 2012</u></b>            Doubletree Hotel            2080 N. Atlantic Avenue            Cocoa Beach, Florida 32931            Phone: 321-783-9222</p>
<p><b><u>August 7, 2012</u></b>            Jacksonville Marriott            4670 Salisbury Road  <b>Jacksonville, FL 32256</b>            Phone: 904-296-2222</p>	<p><b><u>August 6, 2012</u></b>            Richmond Hill City Center            520 Cedar Street            Richmond Hill, GA 31324            Phone: 912-445-0043</p>
<p><b><u>August 14, 2012</u></b>            Hilton Garden Inn Airport            5265 International Blvd.            North Charleston, SC 29418            Phone: 843-308-9330</p>	<p><b><u>August 16, 2012</u></b>            Hilton New Bern/Riverfront            100 Middle Street            New Bern, NC 28560            Phone: 252-638-3585</p>

- P. ✓ BB version ready by August 20, 2012
- Q. ✓ Committee/Council reviews public hearing comments, revises CE-BA 3 and approves for formal review at September 10-14, 2012 meeting; final approval deferred to December 2012.

NOTE: AT THE SEPTEMBER 2012 MEETING, THE COUNCIL MOVED THE CORAL HAPC ACTIONS TO CORAL AMENDMENT 7 8.

- R. ✓ Staff revises CE-BA 3 according to guidance.
- S. ✓ IPT completes analyses
  - a. 10/3/12 – IPT conference call
  - b. 10/30/12 – IPT submits written sections to Karla and Anna
  - c. 11/5/12 – revised document sent to IPT



- d. 11/9/12 – comments due back from IPT
  - e. 11/13/12 – amendment ready for 1<sup>st</sup> briefing book at 9 am
  - f. 11/20/12 – all final revisions due
  - g. 11/26/12 – 2<sup>nd</sup> briefing book ready at 9 am
- T. √Gulf Council Approval at their October 29 – November 1, 2012 meeting. CE-BA 3 was not discussed at the Gulf Council meeting.
- AT THE DECEMBER 2012 MEETING THE COUNCIL MOVED ALL ITEMS EXCEPT BYCATCH REPORTING OUT OF CE-BA 3.**
- U. √Staff revises CE-BA 3 according to guidance.
- a. √Prepare draft amendment document – Anna
  - b. √Expand no action on bycatch reporting - Karla
- V. √IPT completes analyses
- a. √January 16, 2013 – IPT conference call
  - b. √\_\_\_\_\_ – IPT submits written sections to Karla and Anna
  - c. √\_\_\_\_\_ – revised document sent to IPT
  - d. √\_\_\_\_\_ – comments due back from IPT
  - e. √2/11/13 – amendment ready for 1<sup>st</sup> briefing book at 9 am
- ~~W. South Atlantic Council Approval at their March 4-8, 2013 meeting.~~
- J. **At the March 2013 meeting**, the Council reviewed and made changes to CE-BA 3. The Council requested an analysis from NOAA GC to identify how the South Atlantic Council is meeting its bycatch requirements under the MSA. The Council also voted to postpone further consideration of CE-BA 3 until receipt of analysis from NOAA GC.
- X. September 2013 meeting: review NOAA GC report and provide guidance to staff.
- Y.

### III. Coral Amendment 8/EA – Anna

At the September 2012 meeting, the Council directed staff to begin development of Coral Amendment 7 and numbering was corrected to Amendment 8:

#### Items included:

- A. Coral HAPCs & Transit through the Oculina HAPC – scoped as a part of CEBA 3 in January/February 2012.

#### Timing:

- A. ✓ Council Staff/IPT revise these items for inclusion as a Coral FMP amendment
- B. ✓ Council provides input, chooses preferred alternatives, and approves for public hearings at December 2012 meeting. Council provided input and new timing during December meeting.
- C. ~~Public hearings – January 2013~~
- D. Council reviews updated VMS analyses and provides input at March 2013 meeting. Changed to a status report at the March 2013 meeting.
- E. SEFSC provides updated VMS analyses to SAFMC staff – by March 15, 2013
- F. AP meetings are held in ~~March~~, April and May 2013 to review Amendment and updated analyses and to provide input to Council
- G. SSC review in April 2013
- H. Council selects preferred alternatives and approves for public hearings at June 2013 meeting
- I. Public Hearings are held in August 2013
- J. Council approves for formal review at September 2013 meeting
- K. ~~Council reviews public hearing comments and approves for formal review at March 2013 meeting~~
- L. ~~Amendment sent for formal review by March 28, 2013~~

#### Appoint IPT Team:

- A. ✓ Council Team – Anna Martin (Council Lead), Brian Chevront (Economic impacts), Kari MacLauchlin (Social impacts), Myra Brouwer, Gregg Waugh and Roger Pugliese (Habitat issues/GIS).
- B. ✓ NMFS SERO Team – Karla Gore (NMFS Lead); Nick Farmer, Rick DeVictor, and Jack McGovern (SERO); Stephen Holiman (NMFS Economist); Mike Jepson (Anthropologist); David Dale (HCD); Otha Easley (OLE); Jenny Lee and Andy Herndon (PR); and David Keys (NEPA); Anne Marie Eich (Regulation writer).
- C. ✓ NMFS SEFSC Team – Margaret Miller and Juan Agar.
- D. ✓ NOAA GC Team – Monica Smit-Brunello.

#### Specific Steps:

- A. NOI to publish in FR by \_\_\_\_\_. NOI published on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. (Note: A NOI is not needed if Coral Amendment 8 is an EA. More information is needed before it can be determined if this will be an EA or EIS. If it is an EIS, a NOI will be produced after the March 2013 Council meeting. The SAFMC

conducted scoping during the Council's MSA scoping in January/February 2012 on some issues.)

- B. Based on outcomes from December 2012 meeting, update Coral Amendment 8 document accordingly. Include updated VMS analyses prior to March 2013 meeting. Changed to May 2013.
- C. Prepare draft amendment document - Anna
- D. √Distribute revised Coral Amendment 8 document to the Team.
- E. √Schedule IPT call for week of January 7, 2013. Done on 1/11/13.
- E. Council reviews updated analyses and revised document in March 2013 and provides guidance to staff. Council was provided a status update on obtaining VMS data.
- F. AP meetings held with SG, LE, DW Shrimp, Coral and Habitat during late March/early April 2013.

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- (i) Habitat AP, May 7, 2013 from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm; hotel cutoff 4/12/13.
- (ii) Coral AP, May 7, 2013 from 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm; hotel cutoff 4/12/13.
- (iii) Joint Coral/Habitat AP with Chairs or a representative from Deepwater Shrimp AP, Snapper Grouper AP, and Law Enforcement AP attending for Coral Amendment 8 discussions – May 8, 2013 from 8:30 am – 1:00 pm; hotel cutoff 4/12/13.
- (iv) Deepwater Shrimp AP with Chairs or a representative Habitat AP, Coral AP, Snapper Grouper AP, and Law Enforcement AP attending for Coral Amendment 8 discussions – May 9, 2013 from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm; hotel cutoff 4/12/13.
- G. SSC reviews Coral Amendment 8 during their April 2013 meeting.
- H. Council reviews and provides guidance; approves for public hearings during June 2013 meeting.
- F. Public hearings in August 2013. See Section XI for details.
- G. Written comments due on or before 5 pm on \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.
- H. Council reviews public hearing comments, revises and approves for final submission – September 2013.
- I. Document preparation for formal review:
  - a. Staff/IPT completes document by \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Council chair reviews document & proposed rule by \_\_\_\_\_.
  - c. Comments from SERO and NOAA GC received on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - d. Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule by \_\_\_\_\_.
  - e. Corrections made by December 12, 2012.
- I. SAFMC sends to NMFS by March 22, 2013.
- J. Proposed Rule published \_\_\_\_/13.
  - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - b. Comments due by \_\_\_\_/13.

- K. Final Rule published \_\_\_\_\_/13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on \_\_\_\_\_13.
- a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - b. Comments due by \_\_\_\_/13.
- L. Regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_/13.

## **IV. MACKEREL**

### **1. *Joint Gulf/South Atlantic Coastal Migratory Pelagics (Mackerel) FMP Amendment 19(Permits & Sale) - Kari***

#### IPT Team

- a. √SAFMC Team: Kari MacLauchlin (SAFMC Lead), Gregg Waugh, Brian Cheuvront, Roger Pugliese (EFH), and Anna Martin (Coral issues)
- b. √GMFMC Team: Rick Leard (GMFMC Lead), Assane Diagne, Ava Lasseter, and Ryan Rindone
- c. √NMFS SERO Team: Susan Gerhart (NMFS Lead), Nikhil Mehta, Denise Johnson, David Dale, Jennifer Lee, and Noah Silverman.
- d. √NMFS SEFSC Team: Christopher Liese and Nancie Cummings
- e. √NOAA GC Team: Mara Levy

#### Items:

- A. Prohibit sale of Coastal Migratory Pelagics
- B. Address permit issues (e.g., cobia has no permit requirement)
- C. Pursue jointly with the Gulf Council if they are interested.

#### Revised List of Items:

1. Sale of King and Spanish Mackerel
2. Sale of Cobia
- ~~3. Tournament Sale of King Mackerel~~
- ~~4. Elimination of Latent Effort in the Gulf Group King Mackerel Gillnet Sector~~
5. Elimination of Latent Effort in the King Mackerel Hook and Line Sector
6. Federal Regulatory Compliance (in state waters when fishing with a federal CMP permit)
7. Modify or Eliminate Income Requirements for Gulf and South Atlantic Commercial Coastal Migratory Pelagic Permits Annual Pounds Overage
- ~~8. Atlantic Group Spanish Mackerel Gillnet Endorsement~~

#### At the September 2012 meeting the Council revised the list as follows:

1. Sale of King and Spanish Mackerel
2. Sale of Cobia
3. Elimination of Latent Effort in the King Mackerel Hook and Line Sector
4. Federal Regulatory Compliance (in state waters when fishing with a federal CMP permit)
5. Modify or Eliminate Income Requirements for Gulf and South Atlantic Commercial Coastal Migratory Pelagic Permits Annual Pounds Overage

#### At the March 2013 meeting the Council revised the list as follows:

1. Sale of King and Spanish Mackerel
2. Elimination of Inactive King Mackerel Commercial Permits
3. Modify or Eliminate Income Requirements for Gulf and South Atlantic Commercial Coastal Migratory Pelagic Permits

**Steps in 2011:**

- A. ✓March 2011 meeting – Council reviews Discussion Paper and provide guidance
- B. ✓June 2011 meeting – Council reviews Discussion Paper and provide guidance
- C. Develop timing and steps to complete – IPT after Amendment 18 is complete
- D. ✓September 2011 meeting – SAFMC provided guidance to move forward with Amendment 19 and to present data on number of tournaments with sales at the December mackerel committee meeting.
- E. ✓October 2011 meeting – GMFMC provides guidance.

**Steps in 2012:**

- 1. ✓December 2011 meeting – SAFMC mackerel committee reviews tournament information and provides guidance.
- 2. ✓June 2012 meeting—SAFMC mackerel committee reviews document and provides guidance.
- 3. ✓June 2012 meeting – Gulf mackerel committee reviews document and provides guidance.
- 4. ✓August 2012 meeting – Gulf mackerel committee reviews document and provides guidance.
- 5. ✓September 2012 meeting – SAFMC mackerel committee reviews document and provides guidance.
- 6. ~~December 2012 meeting—SAFMC approves for public hearings~~

**Data call with state reps? Agree on data set to be used for amendment.**

**Proposed timing in 2012/2013:**

- 1. ✓SAFMC reviews Scoping Document – March 2012
- 2. ✓SSC input at April 3-5, 2012 meeting in Savannah, GA
- 3. ✓AP reviews Scoping Document – April 24-25, 2012
- 4. ✓Joint SAFMC/GMFMC Mackerel Committee meeting – March 4, 2013 from 1:30 – 6:00 pm; St. Simons Island, GA during SAFMC meeting
- 5. SSC receives status report at Crown Plaza, North Charleston – April 9-11, 2013
- 6. Mackerel AP Meeting; April 22 (9am) – April 23 (noon), 2013; hotel cutoff 3/25/13

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- 7. Councils approve for public hearings at their June 2013 meetings
- 8. Public hearings August 2013. See Section XI for details.
- 9. Review hearing comments, modify and approve all actions at September 2013 meeting
- 10. Review final document and approve for formal review at September 2013 meeting

Note: GMFMC approved for scoping at Jan/Feb 2012 meeting; scoping to be done in March 2012.

Note: Mackerel analyses for Amendments 19 & 20 will not be ready for our December 2012 meeting. Approval for public hearings is deferred to the June 2013 meeting with hearings in August 2013 and final approval in September 2013.

## **2. Joint Gulf/South Atlantic Coastal Migratory Pelagics (Mackerel) FMP Amendment 20 (Boundaries & Transit Provisions)**

### IPT Team

- a. √SAFMC Team: Kari MacLauchlin (SAFMC Lead), Gregg Waugh, Brian Chevront, Roger Pugliese (EFH), and Anna Martin (Coral issues)
- b. √GMFMC Team: Rick Leard (GMFMC Lead), Assane Diagne, Ava Lasseter, and Ryan Rindone
- c. √NMFS SERO Team: Susan Gerhart (NMFS Lead), Jack McGovern, John Vondruska, Mike Larkin, David Dale and Jennifer Lee.
- d. √NMFS SEFSC Team: Brent Stoffle
- e. √NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello

### Items:

- A. Modify boundaries in for Gulf migratory group king mackerel
- B. Change the opening date for Gulf migratory group king mackerel in the Western Zone
- C. ~~LAPP~~

### Revised List of Items:

1. Modify Subzones and Allocation of Gulf Migratory Group Eastern Zone King Mackerel.
2. Modify the Commercial Hook-and-Line Trip Limits for Gulf Migratory Group King Mackerel
3. Change the Fishing Season for Gulf Group King Mackerel for the Eastern and Western Zone
4. Establish Transit Provisions for Travel Through Areas That are Closed to King Mackerel Fishing ~~Restrictions on Fishing for King Mackerel in Multiple Zones~~
4. ~~Modify the Gulf and Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia Annual Catch Limits (ACLs).~~
5. Establish State Quota for Atlantic Migratory Group King and Spanish Mackerel for North Carolina. ~~Establish State by State or Regional Quotas for Atlantic Migratory Group King Mackerel, Spanish Mackerel, and Cobia~~
6. ~~Set Annual Catch Target (ACTs) by Sub-Zones for Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia.~~
7. ~~Specify Accountability Measures (AMs) by Sub-Zones for Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia~~
6. Modify the Framework Procedure
7. Modify the Gulf and Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia Annual Catch Limits (ACLs) and Annual Catch Targets (ACTs).

At the September 2012 meeting the Council revised the list as follows:

1. Modify Subzones and Allocation of Gulf Migratory Group Eastern Zone King Mackerel.
2. Modify the Commercial Hook-and-Line Trip Limits for Gulf Migratory Group King Mackerel
3. Change the Fishing Season for Gulf Group King Mackerel for the Eastern and Western Zone
4. Establish a transit provision for king mackerel harvested in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ) off Monroe County when the rest of the west coast of Florida is closed
5. Establish State-by-State or Regional Quotas for Atlantic Migratory Group King Mackerel, Spanish Mackerel, and Cobia
6. Modify the Framework Procedure

**Potential Action 7: Modify the Gulf and Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia Annual Catch Limits (ACLs) and Annual Catch Targets (ACTs).**

Timing:

1. ✓September 2011 meeting – SAFMC provided guidance not to move forward with a LAPP and to develop an amendment addressing a number of issues.
2. ✓October 2011 meeting – GMFMC to provide guidance.
3. ✓December 2011 meeting – SAFMC to review list of potential items and provide guidance.
4. ✓June 2012 meeting—SAFMC mackerel committee reviews document and provides guidance.
5. ✓June 2012 meeting—Gulf mackerel committee reviews document and provides guidance.
6. ✓August 2012 meeting—Gulf mackerel committee reviews document and provides guidance.
7. ✓September 2012 meeting—SAFMC mackerel committee reviews document and provides guidance.

**Proposed timing in 2012/2013:**

1. ✓SAFMC reviews Scoping Document – March 2012
2. ✓SSC input at April 3-5, 2012 meeting in Savannah, GA
3. ✓AP reviews Scoping Document – April 24-25, 2012
4. ~~Approve for public hearings at December 2012 meeting~~
5. ✓Joint SAFMC/GMFMC Mackerel Committee meeting – March 4, 2013 from 1:30 – 6:00 pm; St. Simons Island, GA during SAFMC meeting
6. SSC receives status report at Crown Plaza, North Charleston – April 9-11, 2013
7. Mackerel AP Meeting; April 22 (9am) – April 23 (noon), 2013; hotel cutoff 3/25/13

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8. Councils approve for public hearings at June 2013 meetings
9. Public hearings August 2013. See Section XI for details.



10. Review hearing comments, modify and approve all actions at September 2013 meeting
11. Review final document and approve for formal review at September 2013 meeting

Note: GMFMC approved for scoping at Jan/Feb 2012 meeting; scoping to be done in March 2012.

Note: Mackerel analyses for Amendments 19 & 20 will not be ready for our December 2012 meeting. Approval for public hearings is deferred to the June 2013 meeting with hearings in August 2013 and final approval in September 2013.

### **3. SAFMC Framework - Kari**

#### **Official title: South Atlantic Coastal Migratory Pelagics Framework Action 2013**

Actions:

1. Change the king mackerel size limit.
  - a) 23 inches
  - b) 22 inches
  - c) No Action (24 inches)
  - D) REDUCE THE ATLANTIC KING MACKEREL SIZE LIMIT FROM 24 TO 23 INCHES FOR COMMERCIAL ONLY AND ONLY FROM THE GA/FL LINE SOUTH TO THE DADE/MONROE LINE (SAFMC AP, April 2012)
  
- ~~2. Exemption from the SM minimum size limit for pound nets in NC during August and September.~~
  - ~~———— Alternative 1 no action~~
  - ~~———— Alternative 2 NC only~~
  - ~~———— Alternative 3 all pound nets in Aug and Sept~~
  
3. Modify restrictions on transfer-at-sea and gillnet allowances for Atlantic migratory group Spanish mackerel.
  
4. Change the commercial trip limit in the East Coast Florida subzone.
  - Alternative 1- no action
  - Alternative 2- 50 fish all season
  - Other Alternatives
  
5. Modify the system of quota and trip limit adjustments for Atlantic migratory group Spanish mackerel.

#### IPT Team

- a. ✓SAFMC Team: Kari MacLauchlin (SAFMC Lead), Gregg Waugh, Brian Chevront, Roger Pugliese (EFH), and Anna Martin (Coral issues)
- b. ✓NMFS SERO Team: Kate Michie (NMFS Lead), Sue Gerhart, Denise Johnson (Economist), Nick Farmer (Data), Andy Strelcheck (Data), Anne Marie Eich (Regs Writer), Otha Easley (OLE), Adam Braim (Protected Resources)
- c. ✓NMFS SEFSC Team: Shannon Calay (Biologist), Nancie Cummings (Biologist), and Christopher Liese (Economist)
- d. ✓NOAA GC Team: Mara Levy

#### **Proposed Timing**

- A. ✓SSC input at April 3-5, 2012 meeting in Savannah, GA
- B. ✓Mackerel AP input at April 24-25, 2012 meeting in Charleston, SC
- C. ✓SAFMC refines list at June 2012 meeting
- D. ✓SAFMC refines list at September 2012 meeting
- E. ✓Staff/IPT present options to Council at March 2013 meeting
- F. Council guidance at March 2013 meeting

- G. SSC receives status report at Crown Plaza, North Charleston – April 9-11, 2013
- H. Mackerel AP Meeting; April 22 (9am) – April 23 (noon), 2013; hotel cutoff 3/25/13

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- I. Council approves for public hearings at June 2013 meeting
- J. Public hearings in August 2013. See Section XI for details.
- K. Council reviews public comment at September 2013 meeting
- L. Final review and approve for formal review at September 2013 meeting
- M. Regulations effective for 2014 fishing year

## **V. SPINY LOBSTER**

### ***1. Spiny Lobster Amendment 12 - Kari***

This amendment will be developed in the future based on work ongoing evaluating rope marking.

## **VI. SHRIMP – Anna**

### **1. *Shrimp Amendment 9***

#### IPT Team

- a. √SAFMC Team: Anna Martin (SAFMC Lead), Kari MacLauchlin, Brian Chevront, and Roger Pugliese (EFH)
- b. √NMFS SERO Team: Kate Michie(NMFS Lead) and Jack McGovern (SERO); Mike Travis (NMFS Economist); Otha Easley (OLE); Andy Herndon and Adam Brame (Protected Resources Division); David Keys (Regional NEPA Coordinator); Anik Clemens and Scott Sandorf (Regulation Writers).
- c. NMFS SEFSC – Rick Hart (SEFSC Biologist) and Scott Crosson (SEFSC Economist)
- d. √NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello.

#### Items to be addressed: Modify list based on council guidance

- ~~A. Add Royal Red Shrimp to the FMU.~~
- ~~B. Develop SFA parameters for royal red shrimp.~~
- ~~C. Remove limited access program for rock shrimp fishery.~~
- D. Modify protocol for states to request concurrent closure of the EEZ during severe winter weather to expedite the process.
- E. Revise  $B_{MSY}$  proxy for pink shrimp.
- ~~F. Measures to reduce takes of smalltooth sawfish.~~

The Shrimp/Deepwater Shrimp APs met during the September meeting and provided recommendations to the Council on this list. Based on the AP input, the Council modified the list of items for Amendment 9 to include:

- A. Modify protocol for states to request concurrent closure of the EEZ during severe winter weather to expedite the process.
- B. Revise  $B_{MSY}$  proxy for pink shrimp used in overfished and overfishing definitions.

#### 2011 Activities

1. √Joint shrimp and deepwater shrimp AP meeting during September 12-16, 2011 Council meeting (Deepwater & Shrimp APs to meet 1:30 – 5:30 pm on Monday, September 12):
  - (1) Items for Amendment 9
  - (2) SEFSC Presentation on results from economic survey
  - (3) SEFSC Presentation on bycatch research and data collection
  - (4) SERO PR (Jennifer Lee?) Presentation on turtles and Atlantic sturgeon
2. √Shrimp Committee to meet 8:30 am – noon on Tuesday, September 13, 2011 – provide guidance to staff/IPT on whether or not an Amendment is needed. If so, provide guidance on timing for work to begin in 2012.
3. √Need to form IPT

**2012 Activities** ~~Proposed timing: Same as CE-BA-3:~~

1. ✓ Council reviews scoping comments at March 5-9, 2012 meeting
2. ✓ SSC input – April 3-5, 2012
3. ✓ AP input – April 20, 2012
4. ✓ Approve for public hearings at June
5. ✓ Public hearings in August
6. ✓ Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in September (~~December at latest~~)

**Specific Steps:**

- A. ✓ NOI to publish in FR by \_\_\_\_\_. NOI published on May 23, 2012 \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Note: A NOI is not needed because Shrimp Amendment 9 is an EA.)
- B. ✓ Draft MSA scoping document.
- C. ✓ Distribute MSA scoping document to the Team.  
Schedule a Team call if needed.
- D. ✓ MSA Scoping meetings for Shrimp Amendment 9. **Scoping from 4-7 pm**

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- (1) ✓ Hotel arrangements – Cindy.
  - (2) ✓ PH Comment Period: January 13, 2012 – 5 pm on February 13, 2012
  - (3) ✓ FR Notice – Kim/Andrea; done \_\_\_\_\_/11.
  - (4) ✓ Scoping Document available
    - a. Complete by 1/13/12
    - b. Posted to web by 1/13/12
  - (5) ✓ Email address: [ShrimpAmend6Scopingcomment@safmc.net](mailto:ShrimpAmend6Scopingcomment@safmc.net)
  - (6) ✓ Public Hearing Presentation
- E. ✓ Written comments due on or before 5 pm on February 15, 2012.
  - F. ✓ Council reviews scoping comments and provides direction to staff at March 2012 meeting.
  - G. ✓ Anna drafts amendment with options and distributes to Team by 3/26/12
  - H. ✓ Meeting of the Shrimp and Deepwater Shrimp Advisory Panels in North Charleston, SC, 4/20/12.
  - I. ✓ Meeting of the Shrimp Review Panel via webinar, 5/2/12.
  - H. ✓ Team provides edits to Anna and Kate by 5/21/12

- I. ✓Conference call to discuss changes to document for BB distribution.
- J. ✓Shrimp Amendment 9 to Gregg for BB by 5/21/12
- K. ✓Committee/Council revises Shrimp Amendment 9 at June Council meeting and approves for public hearings
- L. ✓Staff revises Shrimp Amendment 9 according to guidance
- M. ✓Public Hearings for Shrimp Amendment 9 held during August 2012: **Public hearings 4-7 pm**

<p><b><u>August 6, 2012</u></b>            Richmond Hill City Center            520 Cedar Street            Richmond Hill, GA 31324            Phone: 912-445-0043</p>	<p><b><u>August 7, 2012</u></b>            Jacksonville Marriott            4670 Salisbury Road  <b>Jacksonville, FL 32256</b>            Phone: 904-296-2222</p>
<p><b><u>August 8, 2012</u></b>            Doubletree Hotel            2080 N. Atlantic Avenue            Cocoa Beach, Florida 32931            Phone: 321-783-9222</p>	<p><b><u>August 9, 2012</u></b>            Hilton Key Largo Resort            97000 South Overseas Highway            Key Largo, Florida 33037            Phone: 305-852-5553</p>
<p><b><u>August 14, 2012</u></b>            Hilton Garden Inn Airport            5265 International Blvd.            North Charleston, SC 29418            Phone: 843-308-9330</p>	<p><b><u>August 16, 2012</u></b>            Hilton New Bern/Riverfront            100 Middle Street            New Bern, NC 28560            Phone: 252-638-3585</p>

- N. ✓SSC Meeting and input on items in Shrimp Amendment 9 prior to their ORCS workshop in Charleston, SC 8/1/12; send to SSC by July 16, 2012.
- O. ✓BB version ready by August 20, 2012
- P. ✓Committee/Council reviews public hearing comments, revises Shrimp Amendment 9 and approves for formal review at September 10-14, 2012 meeting
- Q. ✓Staff revises Shrimp Amendment 9 according to guidance
  - a. October 5<sup>th</sup> – IPT revisions to Anna
  - b. October 9<sup>th</sup> – revised document to Monica/David Cupka
- R. ✓Council chair reviews and deems Shrimp Amendment 9 and codified text:
  - a. October 9, 2012 to David Cupka
  - b. October 11/12, 2012 comments due from David Cupka
- S. ✓Council sends document for formal review by October 17, 2012; done 11/16/12.
- T. Notice of Availability of Amendment
  - ✓a. Published in Federal Register on 3/4/13 (78FR14069)
  - b. Comments due 5/3/13
- U. Proposed Rule published \_\_\_\_/13.
  - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - b. Comments due by \_\_\_\_/13.
- V. Final Rule published \_\_\_\_/13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on \_\_\_\_13.
  - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - b. Post to web site
- W. Regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

**2. *Potential Cold Water Closure***

- A. Plan for action in 2013 if requested. Shrimp Amendment 9 will not be implemented in time for the new process to be used during the winter of 2013; therefore, the current process would need to be utilized by any state wishing to request concurrent closure of federal waters to shrimp fishing.



## **VII. GOLDEN CRAB AMENDMENT 6/EA (Catch Shares) – Brian**

Scoped January/February 2011. NOI published on 1/3/11.

- A. Appoint Team Members
  - 1. √SAFMC: Brian Chevront (SAFMC Lead) and Kari MacLauchlin.
  - 2. √NMFS Team: Karla Gore (NMFS Lead), Andy Strelcheck (SERO), Jack McGovern (SERO), Janet Miller (SERO), Nikhil Mehta (SERO); David Dale (HCD); Otha Easley (OLE); Jenny Lee and Andy Herndon (PR); David Keys (NEPA); John Vondruska (Economist); Anik Clemens and Scott Sandorf (Regulations writers).
  - 3. √ NMFS SEFSC – Scott Crosson
  - 4. √NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello.
  
- B. Overview of Activities:
  - 1. √AP subgroup to get together three times between now and September to develop a LAP draft design and present it to the Golden Crab Committee/LAP Committee/Council in September 2009.
  - 2. √Staff present the Council with an options paper in September 2009.
  - 3. √Council approve for scoping in September 2009.
  - 4. Scope for a Golden Crab LAP Amendment in November 2009.
  - 5. Present the Council with a draft document in December 2009/March 2010.

**2010 Activities:** Draft timing; approval for public hearing could change from March 2011 to June 2011. Due to the need to complete amendments with a statutory deadline and the addition of two new amendments at the September 2010 meeting, work on Golden Crab Amendment 5 will be delayed into 2011.

- A. √June 7-11, 2010 Council meeting – provide guidance to staff/team.
- B. √NMFS determination of EA or EIS – done by \_\_\_\_\_ 2010.  
√NMFS determined EA required – done August 2011.
- C. √September 13-17, 2010 Council meeting – status report.
- D. √December 6-10, 2010 Council meeting – ~~choose preferred alternatives~~ approve public scoping document.

### **2011/2012 Activities:**

- A. √Scoping meetings in January/February
- B. √March 7-11, 2011 Council meeting – review scoping comments and provide guidance to staff/IPT to complete analysis of eligibility and initial allocation scenarios.
- C. √June 13-17, 2011 Council meeting – review analysis of the eligibility and initial allocation scenarios; removed some unnecessary actions; added additional cap share alternatives.
- D. √IPT meeting – July 20, 2011 from 10 – 11 am
- E. √AP Meeting – July 26, 2011
- F. √July/Aug- IPT responds to AP recommendations; complete analysis and document.

- G. √September 12-16, 2011 Council meeting – review AP recommendations and choose preferred alternatives. ~~Approve for public hearings.~~ In June the Council provided guidance that approval for public hearings would occur at the December 2011 meeting.
- H. √Document preparation for December meeting
  - (1) Distribute motions/alternatives from September meeting
  - (2) IPT call 10/11/11
  - (3) Sections due to team leads (Brian & Karla) by 11/10/11
  - (4) Incorporate IPT sections by 11/13/11
  - (5) Document ready for briefing book by noon on November 14, 2011
- I. √December 5-9, 2011 Council meeting – review and approve for public hearings
- J. √Golden Crab AP input during January 29, 2011 meeting
  - (1) Distribute briefing materials
  - (2) Distribute AP input to IPT for incorporation into Amendment document
- K. √Document preparation for public hearings
  - (1) Distribute motions/alternatives from December meeting
  - (2) IPT call \_\_\_\_\_
  - (3) Sections due to team leads (Brian & Karla) by \_\_\_\_\_
  - (4) Incorporate IPT sections by \_\_\_\_\_
  - (5) Documents ready to be posted to website by noon on January 13, 2012
- J. √Public hearings held in January/February 2012 and cover Snapper Grouper Amendment 18B/EA, Golden Crab Amendment 6/EA (Catch Shares), Scoping for CEBA-3, Scoping for Shrimp Amendment 9, and in Key Largo Spiny Lobster Amendment 11/EIS:

**Public hearings will be held from 4-7 pm**

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- (1) Hotel arrangements – Cindy.
- (2) PH Comment Period: January 13, 2012 – 5 pm on February 13, 2012
- (3) FR Notice – Kim/Andrea; done \_\_\_\_\_/11.
- (4) Amendment available

- a. Complete by 1/13/12
  - b. Posted to web by 1/13/12
  - (5) Public Hearing Summary available
    - a. Complete by 1/13/12
    - b. Posted to web by 1/13/12
  - (6) Email address: [GCrabAmend6PHcomment@safmc.net](mailto:GCrabAmend6PHcomment@safmc.net)
  - (7) Public Hearing Presentation
1. √Review public hearing comments, review revised document, modify as appropriate, and approve for formal review by Secretary of Commerce – March 5-9, 2012 Council meeting. The Council provided guidance and approved preferred alternatives for all actions. Directed staff to finalize document for June 2012.
  2. √Document preparation for June 2012 Council meeting:
    - (1) Revisions to the amendment to Brian and Karla by April 27, 2012.
    - (2) Edits made to document and document sent to team for review on May 4, 2012.
    - (3) IPT edits due back and revised for BB.
    - (4) Brian submits document for first BB, May 21, 2012
  3. √Review final document and approve for formal review by Secretary of Commerce – June 11-15, 2012 Council meeting. The Council provided guidance, changed preferred alternatives, and directed staff to hold a meeting with permit holders prior to the September meeting.
  4. √Permit Holders Meeting
    - (1) √Date & Location – August 10, 2012 at Hilton Key Largo Resort day after hearing
    - (2) √Notify permit holders
    - (3) √FR Notice
    - (4) Other preparations?
  5. √Review final document and approve for formal review by Secretary of Commerce – September 10-14, 2012 Council meeting. The Council directed staff to hold an AP meeting prior to the March 2013 meeting and the Council will review and provide guidance on timing at the March 2013 meeting.
  6. √Golden Crab AP meeting – to be held on January 31, 2013 from 1-5 pm:  
Harbor Beach Marriott Resort; 3030 Holiday Drive; Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33316
  7. √Council will review and provide guidance on timing at the March 2013 meeting.  
At the March 2013 meeting, the Council approved two motions:
    - (1) For the Council to stop work on Amendment 6, including both the catch share and non-catch share actions.
    - (2) Directed staff to work with the relevant APs regarding examination of modifying the northern limit of the northern zone golden crab fishing area.

## **VIII. JOINT GMFMC/SAFMC DATA REPORTING AMENDMENTS**

### **1. Joint GMFMC/SAFMC Generic Dealer Amendment - Gregg**

#### IPT Team

- a. √SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh (SAFMC Lead), Brian Chevront, Kari MacLauchlin, Anna Martin (Coral Issues), and Roger Pugliese (Habitat Issues)
- b. √GMFMC Team: John Froeschke (GMFMS Lead), Assane Diagne (Economist), Ava Lasseter (Anthropologist)
- c. √NMFS SERO Team: Rich Malinowski (NMFS Lead), Rick DeVictor (NMFS Lead) and Nick Farmer (SERO); Stephen Holiman (NMFS Economist); Kelly Moran-Kalamus (OLE); Jenny Lee (Protected Resources Division); Noah Silverman (Regional NEPA Coordinator); Anik Clemens, Anne Marie Eich, and Scott Sandorf (Regulation Writers); Carolyn Sramek (Permits); Christine Package (Anthropologist).
- d. √NMFS SEFSC – Ken Brennan and Dave Gloeckner (SEFSC Biologists); Brent Stoffle (Anthropologist).
- e. √HMS: Jackie Wilson and Delisse Ortiz.
- f. √NOAA GC Team: Mara Levey.
- g. √Mike Cahall (ACCSP) and David Donaldson (GSFMC).

#### Items to be addressed:

- a. Dealer permits
- b. Frequency of reporting
- c. Penalties for failure to report.

#### Proposed timing:

- A. √SAFMC reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper – March 2012
- B. √SSC input at April 3-5, 2012 meeting in Savannah, GA
- C. √APs reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper – April 2012
- D. √Approve for public hearings at June 2012 Council meeting
- E. √Public hearings in August 2012
- F. √Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in September 2012

#### SAFMC Schedule:

1. √Scoping done as part of CE-BA 3 in Jan/Feb 2012
2. √Review GMFMC Scoping Document and provide guidance on alternatives at March 5-9, 2012 meeting
3. √SSC review at April 3-5, 2012 meeting
4. √APs review at meetings in April
5. √Approve for public hearings at June 2012 meeting
6. √Public hearings held in August 2012
7. √Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review at September 2012 meeting

**GMFMC Schedule:**

1. √Approve for public hearings at April 2012 meeting
2. √Public hearings held April & June 2012
3. √Review public hearing comments at June 2012 meeting
4. √Approve for formal review at August 2012 meeting

IPT to discuss proper NEPA documentation on conference call following January 2012 GMFMC meeting. Checklists completed and submitted to Noah Silverman (SERO NEPA Coordinator).

**Schedule to Finalize for Formal Review:**

1. √Sept 10-14, 2012 - SAFMC approves to send to SOC
2. √September 14, 2012 – Approved
3. √September 24, 2012 Section due to IPT Lead (Rick)
4. √September 26, 2012 Send version for review by SEFSC, GC, PPI,
5. √October 10, 2012 Comments due back from SEFSC, GC, PPI
6. √October 12, 2012 Send to Council Chairs for review. Note: David Cupka reviewed 9/25/12 version. Comments from David, Michelle & Gregg provided to rick 10/3/12.
7. √October 19, 2012 Comments due from Council Chair's
8. √October 25, 2012 Gulf Council to Transmit. Done 10/30/12.
9. A regulatory package is being prepared in the Regional Office. The following milestones for implementation were provided:
  - a. All reporting requirements (electronic, weekly, purchase, and/or no purchase form) – effective 30 days after publication of the final rule
  - b. Generic Dealer Permit – start issuing 30 days after publication of the final rule
  - c. Current Dealer Permit or New Generic Dealer Permit – required 4 months after publication of the final rule
  - d. Current Dealer Permit phased out with renewal on birth date
10. In February 2013, NOAA GC informed the Councils that several technical changes were necessary and that the two Councils needed to review and approve these changes.
  - a. √South Atlantic Council approves at March 4-8, 2013 meeting.
  - b. Gulf Council approves at April 15-18, 2013 meeting.
  - c. Gulf Council resubmits revised amendment and codified text.
11. NMFS Declares Transmit Date as \_\_\_\_\_.
12. Final Review and Implementation:
  - a. Notice of Availability of Amendment 10 published \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Comments due no later than 5 pm EST on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - c. Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - d. Post to website; Fishery Bulletin will be posted to website.
  - e. Amendment approved on \_\_\_\_\_.
12. Proposed Rule published \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - b. Comments due by \_\_\_\_\_.

13. Final Rule published \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - b. Post to websites

**2. Joint SAFMC/GMFC Generic Snapper Grouper, Dolphin Wahoo, and Coastal Migratory Pelagics Amendment (For-hire Reporting in the SAFMC's Area of Jurisdiction) - Gregg**

Note: This was previously Action 1 in CEBA-3.

IPT Team

- a. √SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh (SAFMC Lead), Brian Chevront, Kari MacLauchlin, Anna Martin (Coral Issues), and Roger Pugliese (Habitat Issues)
- b. √GMFC Team: John Froeschke (GMFMS Lead), Assane Diagne (Economist), Ava Lasseter (Anthropologist)
- c. √NMFS SERO Team: Karla Gore (NMFS Lead), Nick Farmer, Rick DeVictor, and Jack (SERO); Stephen Holiman (NMFS Economist); Mike Jepson (Social Scientist); David Dale (HCD); Otha Easley (OLE); Jenny Lee and Andy Herndon (PR); and David Keys (NEPA); Anne Marie Eich (Regulation writer).
- d. √NMFS SEFSC – Ken Brennan
- e. √NOAA GC – Monica Smit-Brunello

Timing:

- A. √Prepare draft amendment document from CEBA-3 – Gregg in early January 2013
- B. √IPT review and revise document
- C. √Document reviewed and approved for formal review during Gulf Council February 5-8, 2013 meeting.
- D. √SAFMC review Gulf Council actions, modify and approve for formal review during March 4-8, 2013 meeting
- E. Document preparation for formal review:
  - a. Karla to provide revisions addressing PPI, NEPA & SEFSC comments by 3/19/13
  - b. Brian/Kari to provide RIR & FIS by 3/22/13
  - c. Tony? to provide IRFA by 3/25/13
  - d. Council chair reviews document & proposed rule 3/29 – 4/4.
  - e. Comments from SERO and NOAA GC received by April 4, 2013
  - f. Council staff completes final review of document by 4/4/13
- F. Send for formal review by April 12, 2013
- G. NMFS Declares Transmit Date as \_\_\_\_\_.
- H. Final Review and Implementation:
  - a. Notice of Availability of Amendment published \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Comments due no later than 5 pm EST on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - c. Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - d. Post to website; Fishery Bulletin will be posted to website.
  - e. Amendment approved on \_\_\_\_\_.
- I. Proposed Rule published \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - b. Comments due by \_\_\_\_\_.

- J. Final Rule published \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
  - b. Post to websites



### **3. *Joint GMFMC/SAFMC Generic Headboat Reporting Amendment Gulf Regulatory Amendments - Gregg***

Note: This was address headboat reporting in the GMFMC and include compliance requirement and paper logbook in the event of extreme circumstances in the Gulf and South Atlantic.

#### IPT Team

- a. √SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh (SAFMC Lead), Brian Chevront, Kari MacLauchlin, Anna Martin (Coral Issues), and Roger Pugliese (Habitat Issues)
- b. √GMFMC Team: John Froeschke (GMFMS Lead), Assane Diagne (Economist), Ava Lasseter (Anthropologist)
- c. √NMFS SERO Team: Rich Malinowski (NMFS Lead), Karla Gore, Sue Gerhart, Nick Farmer, Stephen Holiman (Economist), Christina Package (Anthropologist), Anik Clemens (Reg Writer), David Dale (Habitat), Noah Silverman (NEPA), Kelly Kalamas (OLE), Randy Blankinship (HMS)
- d. √NMFS SEFSC: Christopher Liese, David Carter, Ken Brennan
- e. √NOAA GC – Monica Smit-Brunello

Timing: work with Gulf Council to determine timing

Note: compliance and catastrophic provisions were added to the Headboat Reporting Amendment in the South Atlantic Only and the Gulf Council is preparing regulatory amendment to Reefish and CMP FMPs. The SAFMC will approve the CMP regulatory amendment prior to formal review.

#### **4. Joint SAFMC/SAFMC Generic Commercial Logbook Amendment - Gregg**

Note: This was previously Action 2 in CEBA-3.

Note: This will be a joint amendment with the Gulf Council with the South Atlantic Council as administrative lead.

IPT Team IPT to be determined after February 2013 Gulf Council meeting.

- a. SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh (SAFMC Lead), Brian Chevront, Kari MacLauchlin, Anna Martin (Coral Issues), and Roger Pugliese (Habitat Issues)
- b. GMFMC Team: John Froeschke (GMFMS Lead), Assane Diagne (Economist), Ava Lasseter (Anthropologist)
- c. NMFS SERO Team: Karla Gore (NMFS Lead),
- d. NMFS SEFSC –
- e. NOAA GC – Monica Smit-Brunello

Timing: WILL BE WORKED ON AFTER THE JUNE 2013 COUNCIL MEETING

- A. Prepare draft amendment document from CEBA-3 – Gregg in early January 2013
- B. IPT review and revise document
- C. Document reviewed during Gulf Council February 5-8, 2013 meeting.
- D. Timing determined after Gulf Council meeting

## 5. *GMFMC Charterboat Reporting Amendment - Gregg*

Need additional SAFMC guidance on level of participation.

### IPT Team

- a. ✓SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh (SAFMC Lead), Brian Chevront, Kari MacLauchlin, Anna Martin (Coral Issues), and Roger Pugliese (Habitat Issues)
- b. GMFMC Team: John Froeschke (GMFMS Lead), Assane Diagne (Economist), Ava Lasseter (Anthropologist)
- c. NMFS SERO Team: Karla Gore (NMFS Lead),
- d. NMFS SEFSC –
- e. ✓NOAA GC – Monica Smit-Brunello
- f. MRIP –
- g. HMS –

Timing – work with Gulf Council to determine timing.

## **IX. DOLPHIN/WAHOO AMENDMENT 5 – Brian**

Note: Comprehensive ACL Amendment was #2, CE-BA 3 is #3, and the Joint SA/GM Dealer Amendment was #4.

### IPT Team

- a. √SAFMC Team: Brian Chevront (SAFMC Lead), Gregg Waugh, Kari MacLauchlin, Anna Martin (Coral Issues), and Roger Pugliese (Habitat Issues)
- b. √NMFS SERO Team: Nikhil Mehta (NMFS Lead) and Jack McGovern (Biologists, Sustainable Fisheries), Nick Farmer and Michael Larkin (Data analysts, Sustainable Fisheries), Scott Sandorf (Technical writer), Tony Lamberte (Economist, Sustainable Fisheries), and Mike Jepson (Social scientist), Andrew Herndon and Adam Brame (Protected Resources), Otha Easley (Law Enforcement), David Keys (NEPA), and David Dale (Habitat Conservation).
- c. √NMFS SEFSC – Kevin Craig and Matthew Lauretta (Biologists); David Carter (Social scientist).
- d. NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello

### Items to be addressed:

- a. Update ABC/ACL based on MRIP calibration and ORCS?
- b. Allocations
- e. ~~Bag limit sales~~
- d. Framework – include “Notice Action” type of adjustment for ABC/ACLs
- e. Adjustments to AMs for dolphin and wahoo
- f. Commercial dolphin trip limit

### Proposed timing:

- A. √SAFMC reviews Scoping Document and approves for scoping – December 2012
- B. √Scoping in January 2013
- C. √Review scoping comments and Options Paper – March 2013
- D. √SSC input at October 2012 meeting
- E. AP review – March 27, 2013 in North Charleston, SC; hotel cutoff 2/27/13

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- F. Approve for public hearings at June 2013 Council meeting
- G. Public hearings in August 2013. See Section XI for details.
- H. Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in September 2013

## **X. SCIENTIFIC & STATISTICAL COMMITTEE – John**

### **1. SSC Meeting April 9-11, 2013.**

Note: At the December 2012 meeting, the Council provided guidance that the SSC is to review analyses and assessment information in amendments but are not required to review every amendment. Staff will develop a list of issues/questions as appropriate. The Council's briefing books will be provided to the SSC on a routine basis and any additional comments from the SSC will be addressed.

Crowne Plaza, North Charleston. 3:00 pm 4/9 - 3:00 pm 4/11

Continuation of ORCS Workshop: April 8, 1:00 pm April 9, 3:00 PM.

- (i) ✓meeting requests : Done
- (ii) TO request: John: 2/5 Done 2/20
- (iii) FR notice – JOHN: Andrea: 3/12 Done 3/12  
Agenda Topics due to John: February 5 Done  
BB materials due to John: March 21
- (iv) Briefing materials sent by March 26– Admin
- (v) TOPICS
  - a) Black sea bass update assessment review
  - b) SEDAR 28 (Spanish mack and cobia) assessment review
  - c) (Not ready)SEDAR 28 (King Mackerel) SEDAR participants, schedule, TORs
  - d) ABC control rule and ABC recommendations
  - e) Snapper-Grouper Regulatory Amendment 14
  - f) Coral Amendment 8
  - g) Fishery Independent Reef Fish Sampling Presentation
  - h) Research and Monitoring plan
  - i) SSC technical review process

### **2. SSC Meeting October 22-24, 2013**

Crowne Plaza, North Charleston. 1:00 pm 10/22 - 3:00 pm 10/24

(SSC will start at 9am if SEP meeting is not necessary)

- Meeting request: John: Done
- TO Request: John: 7/23; Notice sent to participants – 7/23; John
- (iii) FR notice – JOHN:Andrea 9/23  
Agenda Topics due to John: August 13  
BB materials due to John: October 1
- (iv) Briefing materials sent by October 8– Admin
- TOPICS
  - SEDAR 32 assessment (blueline tilefish and gray triggerfish) review
  - SEDAR 36, snowy grouper, review
  - FL Mutton Snapper Update Review

SEDAR participants, schedules, TORS for 2014 assessments  
red snapper, red porgy, gag  
Snapper-Grouper Amendment 22

**3. *Socio-Economic Panel (SEP) Meeting October 22, 2013(if needed)***

Crowne Plaza, North Charleston. 8:30 - 11:30 am  
Meeting request: John (with SSC) Done  
TO Request: Kari: 7/23  
FR Notice: Kari:Andrea: 9/23  
Notice to participants by July 23: Kari; Agenda Topic to Kari:  
BB Materials to Kari:\_\_\_\_\_;BB sent: October 8

**4. *SSC Conference Call – as needed***

## XI. Public Hearings and Scoping Meetings

The Council generally holds scoping meetings and public hearings during the last week in January and the first week in February. A second round are generally scheduled in August.

### 1. *√*Dates and Locations for January 2013

*√*A. Dates and locations:

**Scoping/Hearings from 4-7 pm**

<p><b><u>January 22, 2013</u></b> Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum 175 Bourne Avenue Pooler, GA 31322 Phone: 912-748-8888</p>	<p><b><u>January 23, 2013</u></b> Hilton Garden Inn Airport 5265 International Blvd. North Charleston, SC 29418 Phone: 843-308-9330</p>
<p><b><u>January 24, 2013</u></b> New Bern Riverfront Convention Center 203 South Front Street New Bern, NC 28563 Phone: 252-637-1551</p>	<p><b><u>January 28, 2013</u></b> Jacksonville Marriott 4670 Sailsbury Road Jacksonville, FL 32256 Phone: 904-296-2222</p>
<p><b><u>January 29, 2013</u></b> Doubletree by Hilton Oceanfront 2080 North Atlantic Ave. Cocoa Beach, FL 32931 Phone: 321-783-9222</p>	<p><b><u>January 30, 2013</u></b> Holiday Inn Key Largo 97701 Overseas Highway Key Largo, FL 33037 Phone: 305-451-2121</p>

**Note: Talk about option for 1 van to drive to Key Largo after the Cocoa Beach Hearing during the evening.**

*√*B. Amendments:

1. Snapper Grouper Amendment 27 (Myra) – public hearings
2. Dolphin/Wahoo Amendment 5 (Brian) – scoping

*√*C. Rooms Needed – large area plus 4 rooms (1 recording and 3 for tech. presentations)

1. General area (large) – sign-in and get information
2. Room #1 – Council member & recording for public input
3. Room #2 – Snapper Grouper
4. Room #4 – Dolphin/Wahoo

D. *√*Federal Register Notice

- a. NOI documents filed –
- b. Publish notice –

E. *√*Document preparation

- a. Public Hearings – use public hearing version of document and summary.
  - i. Summary documents posted by \_\_\_\_\_
  - ii. Amendments posted by \_\_\_\_\_.
- b. Documents available and posted on web site by 1/11/13.
- c. Comments due by 5 pm on February 4, 2013.
- d. Email addresses:
  - i. [SGAmend27Comments@safmc.net](mailto:SGAmend27Comments@safmc.net)

- ii. [DWAmend5Comments@safmc.net](mailto:DWAmend5Comments@safmc.net)
    - iii. Others?
  - e. Presentations done by 1/17/13.
- F. √Staff attending – Myra, & Brian all sites; Julie (Administrative) & Kim/Amber (I&E) all sites.
- G. √Council chairs – all confirmed
  - a. NC – Michelle (chair); Anna Beckwith & Tom Burgess likely attending
  - b. SC – Tom (chair); Mel and David attending
  - c. GA – Doug (chair); Charlie attending; Steve Amick likely attending
  - d. Jacksonville/Cocoa Beach – Ben (chair)
  - e. Key Largo – Ben (chair)

**2. Dates and Locations for April 2013**

A. Dates and locations:

Public hearings will be held from 4-7 pm except N. Charleston from 5:30-7pm

<p><b>Monday, April 15, 2013</b>          Jacksonville Marriott          4670 Salisbury Road  <b>Jacksonville, FL 32256</b>          Phone: 904-296-2222</p>	<p><b>Tuesday, April 16, 2013</b>          Radisson Resort at the Port          8701 Astronaut Boulevard  <b>Cape Canaveral, FL 32920</b>          Phone: 321-784-0000</p>
<p><b>Wednesday, April 17, 2013</b>          Holiday Inn Key Largo          99701 Overseas Highway  <b>Key Largo, FL 33037</b>          Phone: 305-451-2121</p>	<p><b>Tuesday, April 23, 2013</b>          Hilton Garden Inn          5265 International Boulevard  <b>North Charleston, SC 29418</b>          Phone: 843-308-9330</p>
<p><b>Thursday, April 25, 2013</b>          DoubleTree by Hilton New          Bern/Riverfront          100 Middle Street  <b>New Bern, NC 28560</b>          Phone: 252-638-3585</p>	

- B. Amendments:
  - 1. Snapper Grouper Amendment 30 (Gregg) – public hearings
- C. Rooms Needed – large area plus 1 room for presentation and recording
- D. Federal Register Notice
  - a. NOI documents filed –
  - b. Publish notice –
- E. Document/presentation preparation
  - a. Public Hearings – use public hearing version of document and summary.
    - i. Summary document posted on 3/22/13
    - ii. Video presentation posted on 3/29/13
    - iii. Amendment 30 posted on 3/29/13 or 4/4/13 at latest
  - b. Comments due by 5 pm on May 3, 2013.
  - c. Email addresses: [SGAmend30Comments@safmc.net](mailto:SGAmend30Comments@safmc.net)



- d. Presentations done by 3/29/13.
- F. Informal Q & A with Council Staff on April 4, 2013 at 6 pm (test at 10 am on April 3<sup>rd</sup>):
  - a. Informal Q&A Session with Council staff; Gregg will give the presentation and Amber will moderate the questions coming in during and after the presentation; questions can be typed in the question box during the session and will be answered at the end along with opening up verbal questions if people want to ask their question out loud.
  - b. At the end of the session, we will also give participants an e-mail address ([comments@safmc.net](mailto:comments@safmc.net)) to give us feedback on the session and to gauge interest in hosting another session the following week on April 11.
  - c. Stress that no official public comment will be taken during the Q&A session; the session is strictly for Q&A with Council Staff.
- G. Staff attending:
  - a. Tech staff – Gregg Florida and SC. Brian New Bern.
  - b. Admin staff – Julie
  - c. I & E – Kim will attend SC and New Bern/Amber will attend FL
- H. Council chairs – **all confirmed?**
  - a. NC – Michelle (chair); Anna Beckwith & Tom Burgess attending; no hotel rooms
  - b. SC – Mel (chair); David likely attending; no hotel rooms
  - c. Jacksonville – Ben (chair); Charlie attending (no hotel); John & Jessica attending??
  - d. Canaveral – Ben (chair); John & Jessica attending??
  - e. Key Largo – Ben (chair); John & Jessica attending??

### 3. *Dates and Locations for August 2013*

- A. Dates and locations:  
 Spiny Lobster season opens on August 6<sup>th</sup> so Key Largo hearing held on August 8<sup>th</sup>.  
**Public hearings will be held from 4-7 pm DRAFT locations from Aug 2012**

<b><u>August 5, 2013</u></b> Richmond Hill City Center 520 Cedar Street Richmond Hill, GA 31324 Phone: 912-445-0043	<b><u>August 6, 2013</u></b> Jacksonville Marriott 4670 Salisbury Road Jacksonville, FL 32256 Phone: 904-296-2222
<b><u>August 7, 2013</u></b> Doubletree Hotel 2080 N. Atlantic Avenue Cocoa Beach, Florida 32931 Phone: 321-783-9222	<b><u>August 8, 2013</u></b> Hilton Key Largo Resort 97000 South Overseas Highway Key Largo, Florida 33037 Phone: 305-852-5553
<b><u>August 13, 2013</u></b> Hilton Garden Inn Airport 5265 International Blvd. North Charleston, SC 29418 Phone: 843-308-9330	<b><u>August 15, 2013</u></b> Hilton New Bern/Riverfront 100 Middle Street New Bern, NC 28560 Phone: 252-638-3585

- B. Amendments (7 separate amendments; 7 separate amendment documents with 7 separate summary documents):
  - 1. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 14 (Myra) – public hearings
  - 2. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 16 (Myra) – public hearings
  - 3. Mackerel Amendments 19/20 and Framework (Kari) – public hearings
  - 4. Dolphin/Wahoo Amendment 5 (Brian) – public hearings
  - 5. Coral Amendment 8 – public hearings
- C. Rooms Needed – large area plus 4 rooms (1 recording and 3 for tech. presentations)
  - 1. General area (large) – sign-in and get information
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  - 4. Room #3 – Mackerel
  - 5. Room #4 – Dolphin/Wahoo and Coral
- I. Federal Register Notice
  - a. NOI documents filed –
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- J. Document preparation
  - a. Public Hearings – use public hearing version of document and summary.
    - i. Summary documents posted by \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. Amendments posted by \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Documents available and posted on web site by \_\_\_\_/13.
  - c. Comments due by 5 pm on \_\_\_\_\_, 2013.
  - d. Email addresses:
    - i. [SRegAm14Comments@safmc.net](mailto:SRegAm14Comments@safmc.net)
    - ii. [SRegAm16Comments@safmc.net](mailto:SRegAm16Comments@safmc.net)
    - iii. [MackAm19Comments@safmc.net](mailto:MackAm19Comments@safmc.net)
    - iv. [MackAm20Comments@safmc.net](mailto:MackAm20Comments@safmc.net)
    - v. [SAtlCMPFWComments@safmc.net](mailto:SAtlCMPFWComments@safmc.net)
    - vi. [DWAmend5Comments@safmc.net](mailto:DWAmend5Comments@safmc.net)
    - vii. [CoralAm8Comments@safmc.net](mailto:CoralAm8Comments@safmc.net)
  - e. Presentations done by \_\_\_\_/13.
- K. Staff attending – Myra, Kari, Anna & Brian all sites; Julie (Administrative) & Kim/Amber (I&E) all sites.
- L. Council chairs – all confirmed?
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  - e. Key Largo – Ben (chair); John Jolley attending and needs hotel room.

## XII. FUTURE COUNCIL MEETING DATES & LOCATIONS

[Note: SAFMC permanent meeting weeks: (1) 1<sup>st</sup> full week in March; (2) 2<sup>nd</sup> full week in June; (3) 3<sup>rd</sup> week in September; and (4) 1<sup>st</sup> full week in December.]

- A. May 13, 2013 – Special Webinar Meeting from 1-3 pm  
Black Sea Bass ABC, ACLs, & ACTs
- B. June 10-14, 2013 – Stuart, Florida  
Hutchinson Island Marriott  
555 NE Ocean Boulevard  
**Stuart, FL 34996**  
Phone: 1-800-775-5936 or 772-225-3700/Fax: 772-225-7131
- C. September 16-20, 2013 – Charleston, South Carolina  
The Charleston Marriott Hotel  
170 Lockwood Boulevard  
**Charleston, SC 29403**  
Phone: 1-800-228-9290 or 843-723-3000/Fax: 843-723-0276
- D. December 2-6, 2013 – Wilmington, North Carolina  
Hilton Wilmington Riverside  
301 North Water Street  
**Wilmington, NC 28401**  
Phone: 1-800-445-8667 or 910-763-5900/Fax: 910-343-6124
- E. March 3-7, 2014 – Savannah, Georgia; hotel cutoff 2/3/14  
Hilton Savannah DeSoto  
15 East Liberty Street  
Savannah, GA 31401  
Phone: 1-877-280-0751 or 912-232-9000/Fax: 912-232-6018
- F. June 9-13, 2014 – Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida; hotel cutoff 5/9/14  
Sawgrass Marriott  
1000 PGA Tour Boulevard  
Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082  
Phone: 1-800-457-4653 or 904-285-7777/Fax: 904-280-7009
- G. September 15-19, 2014 – Charleston, South Carolina; hotel cutoff 8/14/14  
The Charleston Marriott Hotel  
170 Lockwood Boulevard  
Charleston, SC 29403  
Phone: 1-800-968-3569 or 843-723-3000/Fax: 843-723-0276
- H. December 1-5, 2014 – New Bern, North Carolina; hotel cutoff 11/1/14  
DoubleTree by Hilton New Bern/Riverfront  
100 Middle Street  
New Bern, NC 28560  
Phone: 1-800-326-3745 or 252-638-3585/Fax: 252-638-8112

### **XIII.SPECIFIC ITEMS FROM MARCH 2013 & PRIOR MEETINGS**

#### **A. Snapper Grouper – Myra**

1. ✓SCHEDULE A COUNCIL MEETING VIA WEBINAR OR CONFERENCE CALL BEFORE THE JUNE 2013 MEETING TO DISCUSS ADJUSTMENT TO THE BLACK SEA BASS ABC/ACLs/ACT BASED ON RESULTS OF THE STOCK ASSESSMENT UPDATE. [Note: looking at the afternoon of Monday, May 13<sup>th</sup> or some day early that week.] Scheduled for May 13, 2013 from 1-3 pm via webinar.
2. REQUEST THAT STAFF COMPILE DATA ON AVERAGE CATCH OF GRAY TRIGGERFISH IN COMMERCIAL LANDINGS.
3. STAFF SHOULD KEEP TRACK OF ANY ACTIONS THE COUNCIL MAY NEED TO CONSIDER IN AN AMENDMENT TO THE SNAPPER GROUPE FMP TO MANAGE GRAY TRIGGERFISH, I.E., TRIP LIMITS AND DIFFERENT LIMITS FOR DIFFERENT SEASONS, ETC.
4. THE SNAPPER GROUPE COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO CONSIDER RESTRUCTURING OF THE SNAPPER GROUPE FMU TO REMOVE JACKS
5. REQUEST THAT THE SNAPPER GROUPE AP PROVIDE INPUT ON REGIONAL ALLOCATIONS FOR BLACK SEA BASS
6. CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR AM 30 IN THE APRIL/MAY TIMEFRAME [Note: looking at holding first hearing April 23 or 24 in North Charleston while the SG AP is in town for a meeting.] Scheduled from April 15-25, 2013. See Section XI for details.
7. ✓REQUEST THAT NMFS EXTEND THE TEMPORARY RULE FOR YELLOWTAIL SNAPPER FOR AN ADDITIONAL 186 DAYS OR UNTIL REGULATORY AMENDMENT 15 IS IMPLEMENTED. Done 3/13/13.

#### **B. Ecosystem-Based Management/Habitat – Anna/Roger**

1. Council staff will finalize and incorporate the VMS data representative of the rock shrimp fishery from 2003-2006 into the analysis in Coral Amendment 8.
2. Relevant APs will review updated analysis and modifications to Coral Amendment 8 during April-May 2013 meetings. (A joint AP meeting session has been scheduled with the Coral and Habitat APs for May 8<sup>th</sup> in Charleston, SC; Chairs of the Law Enforcement, Snapper Grouper, and Deepwater Shrimp APs are also asked to participate in the joint session.)
3. Pending Full Council approval of the Coral MOU, staff will finalize and submit the MOU to the New England and Mid-Atlantic Councils for approval.

**C. Golden Crab – Brian**

1. Gather information on data that are available that could possibly be used for a future golden crab stock assessment.
2. Follow up with the appropriate federal agencies to determine what needs to be done to notify fishermen when activities occur in federal waters that might affect the fisheries. Contact the State Department and others, including the US State Department representative who recently made a presentation to the Council to voice concerns over the entanglement of golden crab fishing gear with a submerged buoy in the Straits of Florida in September of 2012.

**D. Mackerel – Kari**

1. MAKE THE NECESSARY REVISIONS TO CMP AMENDMENT 19 AND PROVIDE THE REVISED DOCUMENT TO THE GULF COUNCIL FOR USE AT THEIR APRIL MEETING.
2. MAKE THE NECESSARY REVISIONS TO CMP AMENDMENT 20 AND PROVIDE THE REVISED DOCUMENT TO THE GULF COUNCIL FOR USE AT THEIR APRIL MEETING.
3. MAKE THE NECESSARY REVISIONS TO SOUTH ATLANTIC FRAMEWORK ACTION AND PROVIDE THE REVISED DOCUMENT AT THE JUNE 2013 MEETING.
4. TARGET APPROVAL OF CMP AMENDMENT 19, AMENDMENT 20, AND FRAMEWORK ACTION FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS AT THE JUNE 2013 MEETING.
5. TARGET FINAL APPROVAL OF CMP AMENDMENT 19, AMENDMENT 20, AND FRAMEWORK ACTION FOR SEPTEMBER 2013.

**E. Dolphin Wahoo – Brian**

1. Direct staff to analyze the actions/alternatives and begin the formal development of Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 5.
2. Bring draft Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 5 back to the Council at the June meeting for review, selection of preferred alternatives, and vote to send to public hearings in August 2013.

**F. Shrimp – Anna**

1. None.

**G. Law Enforcement - Myra**

1. None

**H. SEDAR – John**

1. None

**I. SSC Selection - John**

1. None

**J. AP Selection - Kim**

1. None

**K. Catch Shares - Gregg**

1. Analysis of SAFA's proposal for a voluntary IFQ program – can we contract this out?

**L. Data Collection – Gregg**

1. Make any necessary revisions to the Joint South Atlantic/Gulf of Mexico Generic Charter/Headboat Reporting in the South Atlantic Amendment and codified text and send for formal review prior to the June Council meeting.
2. Schedule a NOAA GC presentation to identify how the South Atlantic Council is meeting the MSA requirement for a bycatch monitoring program at the September 2013 meeting.
3. Joint South Atlantic/Gulf of Mexico Generic Logbook Reporting Amendment:
  - a. Continue working with the Gulf Council to develop this amendment
  - b. Coordinate with the SEFSC on removal of several reporting items on the commercial logbook form and provide a status report at the June 2013 meeting
  - c. Work with the SEFSC to develop a schedule of meetings/workgroup with commercial fishermen in the Gulf and South Atlantic to work on developing the electronic logbook and bring back to the committee at the June 2013 meeting
  - d. Direct the IPT to work on the wording and structure of the action/alternatives and bring back to the committee at the June 2013 meeting
4. Coordinate with the Gulf Council to approve their regulatory amendment to the CMP FMP on Gulf Headboat Reporting.
5. Directed staff to keep the South Atlantic Council informed of progress on the Gulf Council's Generic Amendment addressing Charter Reporting
  - a. Schedule a presentation from MRIP on the Gulf Charterboat Pilot Study at the June 2013 meeting

- b. Appoint a South Atlantic Council staff member to participate on the subcommittee working on coordinating potential changes to charterboat reporting with MRIP
- 6. Work with the Gulf Council on a generic amendment to address charterboat reporting

**M. Full Council – Bob**

- 1. EFP rejection letter.

## **XIV. May 13, 2013 – Special Webinar Meeting**

1. WEBINAR REGISTRATION
  - a. Info to Council members
  - b. Info to Public
  - c. Deadline to register
2. BRIEFING INFORMATION DUE TO GREGG BY 4/19/2013 CLOSE OF BUSINESS.
3. TECHNICAL STAFF FINALIZE BRIEFING MATERIAL BY 4/26/2013
4. INFORMATION ON SHARED VOLUME AND READY FOR CD BURNING/HARD COPYING BY 4/26/2013 AT NOON
5. EMAIL COUNCIL AGENDA AND OVERVIEW DOCUMENTS TO COUNCIL, NMFS & NOAA GC BY 4/26/2013.
  - a. Council Agenda & Overview
  - b. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 19 – adjust ABC, ACLs, & ACTs
6. BRIEFING BOOK POSTED ON WEBSITE BY 5 PM ON 4/26/2013.
7. VIDEO PRESENTATION AVAILABLE BY 5/1/2013.

[\_\_\_\_\_ – GMFMC liason]

Bob – memo to Roy [Note: **see committees & Council presentations** below. We also need to have the commercial catch data for non-snapper grouper species]  
Done \_\_\_\_\_.

Bob – memo to Bonnie [Note: **see committee & Council presentations below.** We also need to have the recreational catch data for non-snapper grouper species. Done \_\_\_\_\_

### **Draft Council Agenda – Monday, May 13, 2013 1-3 pm**

1. Call to Order
  - Adoption of Agenda
  - Approval of March 2013 Minutes/David Cupka
2. Staff Overview of Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 19 (15 minutes max.)
3. Public Comments starting at about 1:30 pm
4. Council Discussion & Action – Michelle Duval, SG Committee Chair to lead
5. Adjourn – David Cupka

### Background Information

There is one action with two alternatives: No action and Revise the ACL/ACT based on the recent SEDAR stock assessment. Regulatory Amendment 19 would make the changes to the ACL/ACT based on the Council's approved ABC Control Rule. The SSC reviewed the Stock Assessment during their April 8-11, 2013 meeting and have provided their ABC recommendation based on the ABC Control Rule. The Council is simply adopting the ABC and apply the already established formulas for ACL and ACT. Alternative 2 is shown below:



Alternative 2. Revise the Annual Catch Limits (ACLs) and Annual Catch Targets (ACTs) for black sea bass for 2013 through 20xx as shown below. The values for 20xx would remain until modified.

**Table 1.** ABC/ACLs for 2013-20xx from the recent SEDAR assessment and the South Atlantic Council/SSC-approved ABC control rule. Values are based on landed catch.

<b>Year</b>	<b>ABC ww</b>	<b>Total ACL ww</b>	<b>Comm ACL ww</b>	<b>Rec ACL ww</b>	<b>Rec ACT ww</b>
2013					
2014					
2015					
2016					
2017					
2018					

**XV. June 10-14, 2013 – Stuart, FL – DRAFT – Bob is revising timing**

Hutchinson Island Marriott  
555 NE Ocean Boulevard  
Stuart, FL 34996

Phone: 1-800-775-5936 or 772-225-3700/Fax: 772-225-7131

**ALL MATERIALS & PRESENTATIONS TO BE PRESENTED TO THE COUNCIL MUST BE RECEIVED BY COUNCIL STAFF PRIOR TO 2<sup>ND</sup> BRIEFING BOOK DEADLINE UNLESS APPROVED BY THE COUNCIL CHAIR.**

1. HOTEL CUT-OFF – 5/9/13 @ 5 pm local time.
2. BRIEFING INFORMATION DUE TO GREGG BY 5/14/2013 AT NOON.
3. TECHNICAL STAFF FINALIZE BRIEFING MATERIAL BY 5/16/2013
4. INFORMATION ON SHARED VOLUME AND READY FOR CD BURNING/HARD COPYING BY 5/21/2013 AT noon
5. EMAIL COUNCIL AGENDA AND OVERVIEW DOCUMENTS TO COUNCIL, NMFS & NOAA GC BY 5/21/2013.
6. BRIEFING BOOK CDs MAILED (**VIA OVERNIGHT**) BY 5/23/2013.
7. SECOND BRIEFING BOOK CD (All Final Items) – READY FOR BURNING/COPYING AT 9 A.M. AND MAILED (**OVERNIGHT**) ON 6/3/2013.

[\_\_\_\_\_– GMFMC liason]

Bob – memo to Roy [Note: **see committees & Council presentations** below. We also need to have the commercial catch data for non-snapper grouper species]  
Done \_\_\_\_\_.

Bob – memo to Bonnie [Note: **see committee & Council presentations below.** We also need to have the recreational catch data for non-snapper grouper species. Done \_\_\_\_\_

**Informal Q & A with Roy & David – Wednesday evening beginning at 5:30 pm  
Public Comment Period (Agenda Items) – Thursday beginning at ????? pm**

- A. Council Member Workshop (TAB 1) Monday 9:00 am - noon:** What do we want our fisheries to look like?
- (1) Presentation by ????????
  - (2) Council Discussion – Michelle Duval, SG Committee Chair
  - (3) Direction to Staff – Michelle Duval

**B. Joint Habitat/Ecosystem-Based Management Committee (Anna/Roger) (TAB 2)  
– Monday 1:30 – 3:00 pm**

- (1) Results from Habitat AP – Roger
- (2) Results from Coral AP – Anna
- (3) Results from Deepwater Shrimp AP – Anna
- (4) Results from Snapper Grouper AP – Myra
- (5) Coral Amendment 8 (Coral HAPCs & Transit Through Oculina HAPC) – Anna
  - a. Overview - Anna
  - b. Committee Action & Approve for public hearings – Doug Haymans
- (6) Update on Ecosystem Activities – Anna Martin/Roger Pugliese, SAFMC Staff

**C. Dolphin/Wahoo Committee (Brian) (TAB 3) – Monday 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm**

- (1) Review AP Comments – Brian
- (2) Review Amendment, choose preferred alternatives and approve for public hearings – Tom Swatzel
- (3) Other items?

**D. Snapper Grouper Committee Meeting (Myra) (TAB 4) – Tuesday 8:30 am – 5:30 pm and Wednesday 8:30 am – 12:00 noon**

1. Status of Commercial Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs – NMFS SERO
2. Status of Recreational Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs – NMFS SEFSC
3. Committee Action as Necessary – Michelle Duval
4. MARMAP Annual Update – Marcel/Joey
5. Status of Amendments under Formal Review– NMFS SERO
  - a. Regulatory Amendment 13/EA (MRIP Adjustments)
  - b. Regulatory Amendment 15/EA (Yellowtail Snapper, Gag Trigger & Red Snapper)
  - c. Amendment 28/EA (Red Snapper Framework)
  - d. Amendment 27/EA (Mgmt Authority/Fmwk/Crew Size)
  - e. Regulatory Amendment 18/EA (Vermilion and Red Porgy)
  - f. Regulatory Amendment 19/EA (Black Sea Bass)
6. Advisory Panel Report
7. Scientific and Statistical Committee Report
8. Regulatory Amendment 14 (Multi-Species)
  - a. Overview – Myra
  - b. Committee provide guidance and approve for public hearings – Michelle Duval
9. Regulatory Amendment 16 (Golden Tilefish: 2 weeks on/2 off)
  - a. Overview – Myra
  - b. Committee provide guidance and approve for public hearings – Michelle Duval
10. Snapper Grouper Amendment 30 (VMS)
  - a. Overview – Gregg/Roger
  - b. Review public hearing comments – Roger

- c. Committee action and approval for formal review – Michelle Duval
- 11. Snapper Grouper Amendment 29 (Allocations & ORCS)
  - a. Overview – Myra
  - b. Committee provide guidance – Michelle Duval
- 12. Snapper Grouper Amendment 22 (Tags to track harvest)
  - a. Overview of Options – Myra
  - b. Committee provide guidance – Michelle Duval
- 13. Others???

**E. Mackerel Committee (Kari) (TAB 5) – Wednesday 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm**

- (1) Status of Commercial Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs – NMFS SERO
- (2) Status of Recreational Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs – NMFS SEFSC
- (3) Joint SA/GM Mackerel Amendment 19
  - a. Overview of Actions/Alternatives – Kari
  - b. Committee Action & Choose preferred alternatives for all actions and approve for public hearings – Ben Hartig
- (4) Joint SA/GM Mackerel Amendment 20
  - a. Overview of Actions/Alternatives – Kari
  - b. Committee Action & Choose preferred alternatives for all actions and approve for public hearings – Ben Hartig
- (5) South Atlantic Mackerel Framework (add Spanish Mackerel ABC/ACL/ACT updates)
  - a. Overview of Actions/Alternatives – Kari
  - b. Committee Action & Choose preferred alternatives for all actions and approve for public hearings – Ben Hartig
- (6) Other items?

**F. AP Selection Committee (Closed) (Kim) (TAB 6) – Thursday 8:30 am – 9:30 am**

- (1) Review applicants & make appointments to APs
- (2) Any changes to policies
- (3) Others?

**G. SSC Selection Committee (Portions Closed) (John) (TAB 7) – Thursday 9:30 am – 10:30 am**

- (1) Review applicants & make appointments to SSC and SEP
- (2) Any changes to policies
- (3) Others?

**H. Law Enforcement Committee (Myra) (TAB 8) (Closed) – Thursday 10:30 am – 11:00 am**

- (1) Nominations for LE Officer of the Year

- I. SEDAR (John) (TAB 9) (Portions Closed) – Thursday 11:00 am – 12:00 noon**
- (1) SEDAR Activities Update
  - (2) SEDAR Administrative actions
    - King Mackerel participants, schedule, TORs
  - (3) SEDAR Steering Committee Meeting Report – David Cupka
  - (4) 2015 Assessment Priorities
- J. Protected Resources Committee (Kari) (TAB 10) – Thursday 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm**
- (1) Sturgeon
  - (2) Coral
  - (3) Right Whales & Black Sea Bass
  - (4) Nassau Grouper
  - (5) Others?
- K. Ad Hoc Data Collection Committee (Gregg) (TAB 11) – Thursday 3:00 – 5:30 pm**
- (1) Status of Joint SA/GM Generic Dealer Permit – NMFS SERO
  - (2) Status of Joint GMFMC/SAFMC Generic SG, D/W & CMP Amendment (For-hire reporting in SAFMC's area) – NMFS SERO
  - (3) CMP Framework for Headboat Reporting in the Gulf – Gregg
    - a. Overview & results of GMFMC Actions – Gregg
    - b. Committee guidance and approval for formal review?– Michelle Duval
  - (4) Joint GMFMC/SAFMC Generic Commercial Logbook Reporting Amendment – Gregg
    - a. Overview & results of GMFMC Actions – Gregg
    - b. Committee guidance and approval for next steps – Michelle Duval
  - (5) GMFMC Generic Charterboat Reporting Amendment – Gregg
    - a. Overview & results of GMFMC Actions – Gregg
    - b. Committee guidance on role/involvement of SAFMC – Michelle Duval
- L. Executive/Finance (Bob/Mike) (TAB 12) – Friday 8:30 am – 9:30 am**
- (1) Budget
  - (2) Council Follow-up and Priorities
  - (3) Others?
- M. Open informal public question and answer session with NMFS Administrator Dr. Roy Crabtree and Council Chairman David Cupka – Wednesday beginning at 5:30 p.m.**

**N. Council Session (TAB 13) (with public comment period) – Friday 9:30 am – 5:00 pm**

**I. Presentations - ????**

1.

**II. Final Council Action and Comment:**

(1) Snapper Grouper Amendment 30 (VMS)

**III. Council Approval for Public Hearings**

(1) Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 14 (Multiple Species)

(2) Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 16 (Golden Tilefish)

(3) Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 5 (ABC/ACL, Allocations, Framework)

(4) Coral Amendment 8 (Coral HAPCs & Transit Through Oculina HAPC)

(5) Mackerel Amendment 19 (Bag limit sales & Permits)

(6) Mackerel Amendment 20 (Boundaries & Timing)

(7) Mackerel Framework (Size/Bag/Trip Limits)

**IV. Committee Reports & Other Items**

[Legal Briefing on Litigation - Monica Smit-Brunello (CLOSED SESSION)??????]

A. Visioning Report (TAB 1) – ACTION

B. Joint Habitat/Ecosystem Committee Report (TAB 2) – ACTION

C. Dolphin/Wahoo Committee Report (TAB 3) – ACTION

D. Snapper Grouper Committee Report (TAB 4) – ACTION

E. Mackerel Committee Report (TAB 5) – ACTION

F. AP Selection Committee Report (TAB 6) – ACTION

G. SSC Selection Committee Report (TAB 7) – ACTION

H. Law Enforcement Committee Report (TAB 8) – ACTION

I. SEDAR Committee Report (TAB 9) – ACTION

J. Protected Resources Committee Report (TAB 10) – ACTION

K. Ad-Hoc Data Collection Committee Report (TAB 11) – ACTION

L. Executive/Finance Committee (TAB 12) – ACTION

M. NMFS SERO Presentations - (material is to be provided to the SAFMC office by noon on \_\_\_\_\_ for inclusion in the briefing book):

(a) Status of Commercial Catches versus ACLs

(b) Status of Recreational and Commercial Quota Monitoring Tables on SERO Web Site

(d) Status of Shrimp Amendment 9

(e) Other issues?

N. NMFS SEFSC Presentations - (material is to be provided to the SAFMC office by noon on \_\_\_\_\_ for inclusion in the briefing book):

(a) Status of Bycatch Collection Programs

(b) Progress reports on headboat data entry

(c) Status of Recreational Catches versus ACLs

O. Review Experimental Fishing Permits as necessary – ACTION

## **XVI. September 16-20, 2013 – Charleston, SC - DRAFT**

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1. HOTEL CUT-OFF – \_\_\_/13 @ 5 pm local time.
2. BRIEFING INFORMATION DUE TO GREGG BY 8/21/2013 AT NOON.
3. TECHNICAL STAFF FINALIZE BRIEFING MATERIAL BY 8/22/2013
4. INFORMATION ON SHARED VOLUME AND READY FOR CD BURNING/HARD COPYING BY 8/27/2013 AT noon
5. EMAIL COUNCIL AGENDA AND OVERVIEW DOCUMENTS TO COUNCIL, NMFS & NOAA GC BY 8/27/2013.
6. BRIEFING BOOK CDs MAILED (**VIA OVERNIGHT**) BY 8/29/2013.
7. SECOND BRIEFING BOOK CD (All Final Items) – READY FOR BURNING/COPYING AT 9 A.M. AND MAILED (**OVERNIGHT**) ON 9/9/2013.

[\_\_\_\_\_ – GMFMC liason]

Bob – memo to Roy [Note: **see committees & Council presentations** below. We also need to have the commercial catch data for non-snapper grouper species]  
Done \_\_\_\_\_.

Bob – memo to Bonnie [Note: **see committee & Council presentations** below. We also need to have the recreational catch data for non-snapper grouper species. Done \_\_\_\_\_

**Informal Q & A with Roy & David – Wednesday evening beginning at 5:30 pm**  
**Public Comment Period (Agenda Items) – Thursday beginning at ????? pm**

- A. Council Member Workshop (TAB 1) Monday 9:00 am - noon:** What do we want our fisheries to look like?
- (1) Presentation by ???????
  - (2) Council Discussion – Michelle Duval, SG Committee Chair
  - (3) Direction to Staff – Michelle Duval

**B. Joint Habitat/Ecosystem-Based Management Committee (Anna/Roger) (TAB 2)  
– Monday 1:30 – 3:00 pm**

- (1) Review of Public Hearing Comments – Anna
- (2) Coral Amendment 8 (Coral HAPCs & Transit Through Oculina HAPC) – Anna
  - a. Overview – Anna
  - b. Committee Action & Approve Amendment 8 for formal review – Doug Haymans
  - c. Committee Action & Approve Codified Text for Amendment 8 – Doug Haymans
- (3) Update on Ecosystem Activities – Anna Martin/Roger Pugliese, SAFMC Staff

**C. Dolphin/Wahoo Committee (Brian) (TAB 3) – Monday 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm**

- (1) Review of Public Hearing Comments – Anna
- (2) Dolphin/Wahoo Amendment 5 (Coral HAPCs & Transit Through Oculina HAPC) – Brian
  - a. Overview – Brian
  - b. Committee Action & Approve Amendment 5 for formal review – Tom Swatzel
  - c. Committee Action & Approve Codified Text for Amendment 5 – Tom Swatzel
- (3) Other items?

**D. Snapper Grouper Committee Meeting (Myra) (TAB 4) – Tuesday 8:30 am – 5:30 pm and Wednesday 8:30 am – 12:00 noon**

- (1) Status of Commercial Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs – NMFS SERO
- (2) Status of Recreational Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs – NMFS SEFSC
- (3) Committee Action as Necessary – Michelle Duval
- (4) Status of Amendments under Formal Review– NMFS SERO
  - a. Regulatory Amendment 13/EA (MRIP Adjustments)
  - b. Regulatory Amendment 15/EA (Yellowtail Snapper, Gag Trigger & Red Snapper)
  - c. Amendment 28/EA (Red Snapper Framework)
  - d. Regulatory Amendment 18/EA (Vermilion & Red Porgy)
  - e. Amendment 27/EA (Nassau Grouper, Blue Runner, Fmwk & #Crew)
  - f. Regulatory Amendment 19/EA (Black Sea Bass)
  - g. Amendment 30/EIS (VMS)
- (5) Regulatory Amendment 14 (Multi-Species)
  - a. Review of Public Hearing Comments – Myra
  - b. Overview of Amendment
  - c. Committee Action & Approve Regulatory Amendment 14 for formal review – Michelle Duval
  - d. Committee Action & Approve Codified Text for Regulatory Amendment 14 – Michelle Duval



- (6) Regulatory Amendment 16 (Golden Tilefish: 2 weeks on/2 off)
  - a. Review of Public Hearing Comments – Myra
  - b. Overview of Amendment
  - c. Committee Action & Approve Regulatory Amendment 16 for formal review – Michelle Duval
  - d. Committee Action & Approve Codified Text for Regulatory Amendment 16 – Michelle Duval
- (7) Snapper Grouper Amendment 29 (Allocations & ORCS)
  - a. Overview – Myra
  - b. Committee provide guidance – Michelle Duval
- (8) Snapper Grouper Amendment 22 (Tags to track harvest)
  - a. Overview of Options – Myra
  - b. Committee provide guidance – Michelle Duval
- (9) Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 17 (MPAs and HAPCs for Speckled Hind & Warsaw Grouper)
  - a. Overview – Gregg/Roger
  - b. Purpose & Need – Committee Action – Michelle Duval
  - c. Selection of Sites that meet criteria of reconfiguration and target spawning – Committee Action – Michelle Duval
  - d. Provide guidance on timing – Committee Action – Michelle Duval
- (10) Others???

**E. Mackerel Committee (Kari) (TAB 5) – Wednesday 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm**

- (1) Status of Commercial Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs – NMFS SERO
- (2) Status of Recreational Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs – NMFS SEFSC
- (4) Joint SA/GM Mackerel Amendment 19
  - a. Review of Public Hearing Comments – Kari
  - b. Overview of Amendment
  - c. Committee Action & Approve Amendment 19 for formal review – Ben Hartig
  - d. Committee Action & Approve Codified Text for Amendment 19 – Ben Hartig
- (5) Joint SA/GM Mackerel Amendment 20
  - a. Review of Public Hearing Comments – Kari
  - b. Overview of Amendment
  - c. Committee Action & Approve Amendment 20 for formal review – Ben Hartig
  - d. Committee Action & Approve Codified Text for Amendment 20 – Ben Hartig
- (6) South Atlantic Mackerel Framework
  - a. Review of Public Hearing Comments – Kari
  - b. Overview of Framework
  - c. Committee Action & Approve Framework for formal review – Ben Hartig
  - d. Committee Action & Approve Codified Text for Framework – Ben Hartig

(7) Other items?

**F. SEDAR (John) (TAB 6) (Portions Closed) – Thursday 8:30 am – 10:00 am**

- (1) SEDAR Activities Update
- (2) SEDAR Administrative actions  
King Mackerel participants, schedule, TORs
- (3) SEDAR Steering Committee Meeting Report – David Cupka
- (4) 2015 Assessment Priorities

**G. Protected Resources Committee (Kari) (TAB 7) – Thursday 10:00 am – 12:00 noon**

- (1) Sturgeon
- (2) Coral
- (3) Right Whales & Black Sea Bass
- (4) Nassau Grouper
- (5) Others?

**H. Ad-Hoc Data Collection Committee (Gregg) (TAB 8) – Thursday 1:30 – 3:30 pm**

- (1) Status of Joint SA/GM Generic Dealer Permit – NMFS SERO
- (2) Status of Joint GMFMC/SAFMC Generic SG, D/W & CMP Amendment (For-hire reporting in SAFMC's area) – NMFS SERO
- (3) How the South Atlantic Council is meeting the MSA requirement for a bycatch monitoring program – NOAA GC
- (4) CE-BA 3 (Bycatch)
  - a. Status – Anna
  - b. Committee guidance – Michelle Duval
- (5) CMP Framework for Headboat Reporting in the Gulf – Gregg
  - a. Overview & results of GMFMC Actions – Gregg
  - b. Committee guidance and approval for formal review? – Michelle Duval
- (6) Joint GMFMC/SAFMC Generic Commercial Logbook Reporting Amendment – Gregg
  - a. Overview & results of GMFMC Actions – Gregg
  - b. Committee guidance and approval for next steps – Michelle Duval
- (7) GMFMC Generic Charterboat Reporting Amendment – Gregg
  - a. Overview & results of GMFMC Actions – Gregg
  - b. Committee guidance on role/involvement of SAFMC – Michelle Duval

**I. Executive/Finance (Bob/Mike) (TAB 9) – Friday 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm**

- (1) Budget
- (2) Council Follow-up and Priorities
- (3) Others?

**J. Open informal public question and answer session with NMFS Administrator Dr. Roy Crabtree and Council Chairman David Cupka – Wednesday beginning at 5:30 p.m.**

**K. Council Session (TAB 10) (with public comment period) – Friday 8:30 am – 5:00 pm**

**I. Presentations - ????**

**1.**

**II. Final Council Action and Comment:**

- (1) Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 14 (Multiple Species)
- (2) Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 16 (Golden Tilefish)
- (3) Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 5 (ABC/ACL, Allocations, Framework)
- (4) Coral Amendment 8 (Coral HAPCs & Transit Through Oculina HAPC)
- (5) Mackerel Amendment 19 (Bag limit sales & Permits)
- (6) Mackerel Amendment 20 (Boundaries & Timing)
- (7) Mackerel Framework (Size/Bag/Trip Limits)

**III. Council Approval for Public Hearings**

**IV. Committee Reports & Other Items**

[Legal Briefing on Litigation - Monica Smit-Brunello (CLOSED SESSION)??????]

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- G. Protected Resources Committee Report (TAB 7) – ACTION
- H. Ad Hoc Data Collection Committee Report (TAB 8) – ACTION
- I. Executive/Finance Committee (TAB 9) – ACTION
- J. NMFS SERO Presentations - (material is to be provided to the SAFMC office by noon on \_\_\_\_\_ for inclusion in the briefing book):
  - (a) Status of Commercial Catches versus ACLs
  - (b) Status of Recreational and Commercial Quota Monitoring Tables on SERO Web Site
  - (d) Status of Shrimp Amendment 9
  - (e) Other issues?
- K. NMFS SEFSC Presentations - (material is to be provided to the SAFMC office by noon on \_\_\_\_\_ for inclusion in the briefing book):
  - (a) Status of Bycatch Collection Programs
  - (b) Progress reports on headboat data entry
  - (c) Status of Recreational Catches versus ACLs
- L. Review Experimental Fishing Permits as necessary – ACTION

**XVII. 2013 PRIORITIES & TIMING** – Exhibit #1 shows most recent Council-approved activity schedule (Approved at March 2013 meeting).

The following items are listed in priority order. Note: Two items are listed as Priority #9.

**1. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 19/EA (Black Sea Bass) – Gregg/Myra**

- A. √At the March 2013 meeting, the Council directed staff to develop a regulatory amendment to address the SEDAR results for black sea bass and to schedule a special Council meeting via webinar on May 13, 2013.
- B. Council to review public comments and amendment at May 13, 2013 meeting and approve for formal review.
- C. Send to Secretary of Commerce on May 14, 2013.
- D. Proposed rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- E. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_ (target is prior to season closing during 2013).

**2. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 14/EA– Myra**

- A. √Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at June meeting
  - a. Amberjack – fishing year & reduce trip limit
  - b. Mutton snapper – additional protection during spawning season
  - c. Gray triggerfish – size limit & measurement (FL vs TL)
  - d. Black sea bass – fishing year & ACL – recreational and commercial
  - e. Vermilion snapper – bag limit & AMs.
  - f. Red porgy – AMs
  - g. Grouper aggregate recreational bag limit – increase the gag bag limit within the aggregate
  - h. Hogfish – minimum size limit
- B. √Council review and provides guidance at March 2013 meeting
- C. AP & SSC reviews in April 2013
- D. Council Approves for public hearings at June 2013 meeting
- E. Public hearings August 2013
- F. Public comment at September 2013 meeting
- G. Council final approval at September 2013 meeting
- H. Send to Secretary of Commerce October 30, 2013
- I. Proposed rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- J. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Joint SA/GM Commercial Logbook Reporting Amendment – Gregg**

- A. ✓ At the December 2012 meeting, the Council moved commercial logbook reporting from CE-BA 3 and directed staff to develop a joint amendment with the Gulf Council.
- B. ✓ Gulf Council approved at their February 2013 meeting
- C. ✓ SAFMC provide guidance at March 2013 meeting on approach and timing
- D. SSC input at \_\_\_\_\_ meeting in \_\_\_\_\_
- E. APs reviews \_\_\_\_\_
- F. Approve for public hearings at \_\_\_\_\_
- G. Public hearings in \_\_\_\_\_
- H. Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in \_\_\_\_\_
- I. Send for formal review in \_\_\_\_\_
- J. Proposed Rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- K. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

**4. Joint Mackerel Amendment 19 (Permits & Sale) – Kari**

- A. ✓ SAFMC reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper – March 2012
- B. ✓ SSC input at April 3-5, 2012 meeting in Savannah, GA
- C. ✓ AP reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper – April 24-25, 2012
- D. ~~Approve for public hearings at June. At the June 2012 meeting, the Council made changes and requested a Joint SA/GM Mackerel Committee meeting be held prior to public hearings.~~
- E. ~~Public hearings in August; now likely in January/February 2013.~~
- F. ~~Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in September. Now likely in March 2013.~~
- G. ✓ Joint SA/GM meeting March 2013
- H. SSC and AP review April 2013
- I. Approve for public hearings June 2013
- J. Public hearings August 2013
- K. Approve for formal review September 2013
- L. Send to Secretary of Commerce \_\_\_\_\_
- M. Proposed rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- N. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

**5. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 16/EA (Golden Tilefish) – Myra**

- A. ✓ Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at September meeting
- B. Options reviewed at March 2013 Council meeting
- C. SSC & AP review – April 2013
- D. Approve for public hearings – June 2013 Council meeting
- E. Public hearings – August 6-16, 2013
- F. Review public hearing Council final approval at March 2013 meeting
- G. Send to Secretary of Commerce by March 31, 2013. Done \_\_\_\_\_.
- H. Proposed rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- I. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

**6. Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 5/EA (ABC/ACL adjustment, Allocations, Sale & Framework) – Brian**

- A. ✓ Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at September meeting
- B. ✓ Council review at December meeting and approve for scoping
- C. ✓ Scope in January
- D. ✓ Review comments and provide guidance at March 2013 meeting
- E. Approve for public hearings at June 2013 meeting
- F. Public hearings in August 2013
- G. Council final approval at September 2013 meeting
- H. Send to Secretary of Commerce by October 30, 2013. Done \_\_\_\_\_.
- I. Proposed rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- J. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

**7. Snapper Grouper Amendment 30/EIS (VMS) – Gregg/Roger**

- A. ✓ At the December 2012 meeting, the Council moved VMS from CE-BA 3 and directed staff to develop a separate amendment to address the VMS in the commercial snapper grouper fishery.
- B. ✓ Council to review draft amendment and approve for public hearings at March 4-8, 2013 meeting.
- C. SSC and Snapper Grouper AP review in April 2013
- D. Public hearings in April/May 2013
- E. Council to review public comments and amendment at June 2013 meeting and approve for formal review.
- F. Send to Secretary of Commerce \_\_\_\_\_
- G. Proposed rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- H. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

**8. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 17/EA or EIS (MPAs for Speckled Hind & Warsaw Grouper) – Gregg/Roger**

- A. ✓ At the September meeting, NMFS offered to give a presentation on reorienting existing MPAs to target speckled hind/warsaw grouper at December meeting
- B. ✓ Council discussed at December 2012 meeting and directed staff to hold another MPA Expert Work Group meeting prior to the March 2013 meeting.
- C. ✓ MPA Expert Work Group meeting. Done 2/4-6/13.
- D. ✓ Council to review report at March 2013 meeting and provide guidance to staff on options and timing for development of regulatory amendment. At the March 2013 meeting, the Council reviewed the second MPA Expert Working Group report and minority report. The Committee/Council decided to bring the MPA issue back to the Snapper Grouper Committee at the September meeting to develop a purpose and need and potentially consider options for reconfigurations and spawning. Staff are to develop a draft Purpose & Need statement and indicate which of the sites in the report are reconfigurations and which target spawning sites.
- E. Council provide guidance to staff on Purpose & Need, options, and timing at September 2013 meeting.

**9. Joint Mackerel Amendment 20 (Boundaries & Transit) – Kari**

- A. ✓ SAFMC reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper – March 2012
- B. ✓ SSC input at April 3-5, 2012 meeting in Savannah, GA
- C. ✓ AP reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper – April 24-25, 2012
- ~~D. ✓ Approve for public hearings at June. At the June 2012 meeting, the Council made changes and requested a Joint SA/GM Mackerel Committee meeting be held prior to public hearings.~~
- ~~E. Public hearings in August 2012; now likely in January/February 2013.~~
- ~~F. Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in September 2012. Now likely in March 2013.~~
- G. ✓ Joint SA/GM meeting March 2013
- H. SSC and AP review April 2013
- I. Approve for public hearings June 2013
- J. Public hearings August 2013
- K. Approve for formal review September 2013
- L. Send to Secretary of Commerce \_\_\_\_\_
- M. Proposed rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- N. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

**9. Snapper Grouper Amendment 29/EA or EIS (Allocations, ORCS revisions) – Myra**

- A. Council will discuss at June 2013 meeting.

**10. Snapper Grouper Amendment 22 (Red Snapper Tag System to track harvest) – Myra**

AT THE JUNE 2012 MEETING, THE COUNCIL REQUESTED TO CONTINUE DEVELOPMENT OF AMENDMENT 22 SPECIFICALLY TO EXPLORE A TAG PROGRAM FOR RED SNAPPER THAT WOULD BE ADMINISTERED BY NOAA FISHERIES. THE TAGS WOULD BE DISTRIBUTED THROUGH A LOTTERY SYSTEM. THE TAGS WOULD BE SUBJECT TO THE COMMERCIAL/REC ALLOCATION

AT THE SEPTEMBER 2012 MEETING, THE COUNCIL REQUESTED TO CONTINUE DEVELOPMENT OF AMENDMENT 22 SPECIFICALLY TO EXPLORE A RECREATIONAL TAG PROGRAM FOR RED SNAPPER, GOLDEN TILEFISH, SNOWY GROUPE & WRECKFISH THAT WOULD BE ADMINISTERED BY NOAA FISHERIES. OPTIONS ARE TO BE PRESENTED TO THE COMMITTEE AT THE JUNE OR SEPTEMBER 2013 MEETING.

- A. Proposed timing – goal is to implement for 2014 or 2015 fishing year.
- B. Appoint IPT Team members
- C. NMFS determines EA or EIS
- D. Options Paper for June 2013 Council meeting; Council provides guidance
- E. Options Paper for September 2013 Council meeting; Council provides guidance
- F. Council chooses preferreds and approve for public hearings at \_\_\_\_\_ Council meeting
- G. Public hearings to be held in \_\_\_\_\_
- H. Approve for formal review at \_\_\_\_\_ Council meeting

NOTE: Scoping meetings for this amendment were held in Jan-Feb 2011; use of tags to track harvest scoped in Jan-Feb 2012.



**11. ~~Mackerel Regulatory Amendment XX/EA South Atlantic CMP Framework Action 2013 (Atlantic King Mackerel regulations) - Kari~~**

- A. ✓ Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of regulatory amendment at June meeting. First step would be informal meetings with fishermen during August 2012 public hearings.
- ~~B. Council guidance on Actions/Alternatives at September meeting~~
- ~~C. Public comment at September meeting~~
- ~~D. Public comment at December meeting~~
- ~~E. Council final approval at December meeting~~
- F. ✓ Joint SA/GM meeting March 2013
- G. SSC and AP review April 2013
- H. Approve for public hearings June 2013
- I. Public hearings August 2013
- J. Approve for formal review September 2013
- K. Send to Secretary of Commerce \_\_\_\_\_
- L. Proposed rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- M. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_

**12. *Coral Amendment 8/EA (Coral HAPCs) - Anna***

- A. ✓ At the September 2012 meeting, the Council moved Coral HAPCs from CE-BA 3 and directed staff to develop a separate coral amendment.
- B. ✓ Council to review draft amendment and provide guidance at March 4-8, 2013 meeting.
- C. SSC and Snapper Grouper AP review in April 2013
- D. Coral/Habitat/Other AP Representatives review in May 2013
- E. Council to review draft amendment and approve for public hearings at June 10-14, 2013 meeting.
- F. Public hearings in August 2013
- G. Council to review public comments and amendment at September 2013 meeting and approve for formal review.
- H. Send to Secretary of Commerce \_\_\_\_\_
- I. Proposed rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- J. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

**13. *Fishery Ecosystem Plan II - Roger***

- A. Work to begin in 2013
- B. Original FEP approved in 2009 and due to be updated in 2014 (every 5 years)

#### **14. Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment 3 - Anna**

- A. ✓ SAFMC reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper – March 2012
- B. ✓ SSC input at April 3-5, 2012 meeting in Savannah, GA
- C. ✓ APs reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper – April & May 2012
- D. ~~Approve for public hearings at June.~~ At the June meeting, the Council made the following changes:
  - a. Moved Coral HAPC issues to CE-BA 4
  - b. Moved the MPA issues to CE-BA 4
  - c. Modified, added VMS requirement, and approved the Data Collection actions/alternatives for public hearings
- E. ✓ Public hearings in August.
- F. ✓ Review hearing comments, modify and ~~approve for formal review~~ in September.
- G. ✓ At the September meeting, the Council made the following changes:
  - a. Moved Coral HAPC issues to Coral Amendment 7 which was later corrected to Coral Amendment 8
  - b. Moved the MPA issues to Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 17
  - c. Modified CE-BA 3 and directed staff to have the Gulf Council review at their October meeting and prepare the amendment for final SAFMC review at the December 2012 meeting
- H. ~~Modify and approve for formal review in December 2012.~~
- I. ✓ At the December 2012 meeting, the Council made the following changes:
  - a. Moved Action 1. For-hire Reporting in the SAFMC to a separate Generic SA/GM Joint Amendment; directed staff to work with the Gulf Council on a separate Generic GM/SA Joint Amendment to address additional headboat reporting requirements; and directed staff to track the Gulf Council's work on charterboat reporting
  - b. Moved Action 2. Commercial Reporting to a separate Generic SA/GM Joint Amendment
  - c. Moved Action 3. VMS to a separate Snapper Grouper Amendment 30
  - d. Directed staff to modify CE-BA 3 with the remaining action addressing bycatch reporting and prepare for final approval at the March 2013 meeting
- J. ✓ ~~Review and approve for formal review at March 4-8, 2013 meeting.~~ Council reviewed and made changes to CE-BA3. The Council requested an analysis from NOAA GC to identify how the South Atlantic Council is meeting its bycatch requirements under the MSA. The Council also voted to postpone further consideration of CE-BA 3 until receipt of analysis from NOAA GC.
- K. Council receives NOAA GC presentation and provides guidance on next steps at September 2013 meeting.
- L. Review and approve for formal review at March 4-8, 2013 meeting
- M. Send to Secretary of Commerce ~~December 14, 2012~~ March 29, 2013
- N. Proposed rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- O. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_

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***The following amendments have been completed in 2013, or are under Secretarial review & implementation, or are on hold, or are unranked.***

***√A. Snapper Grouper Amendment 18B – Myra***

**Amendment 18B (Golden Tilefish) - Myra**

- A. √September 12-16, 2011 in Charleston, SC – provide guidance to staff/IPT
- B. √December 5-9, 2011 in Raleigh, NC - review, modify & approve for public hearings
- C. March 5-9, 2012 in Savannah, GA – review public hearing comments, modify & approve for formal review; Council modified document, added alternatives, and provided guidance to staff.
- D. √June 11-15, 2012 in Orlando, FL – review, modify, and approve for formal review.
- E. √Send to Secretary of Commerce by \_\_\_\_\_. Done \_\_\_\_\_.
- F. √Proposed Rule published on 12/19/12.
- G. √Final regulations effective by 1/1/2013.

***B. Joint SA/GM Dealer Amendment – Gregg***

- A. √SAFMC reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper – March 2012
- B. √SSC input at April 3-5, 2012 meeting in Savannah, GA
- C. √APs reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper – April 2012
- D. √Approve for public hearings at June 2012
- E. √Public hearings in August 2012
- F. √Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in September 2012
- G. √Sent for formal review in October 2012. Done 10/30/12.
- H. NOAA GC identified some items that the Council needed to review and approve after the document had been submitted:
  - a. SAFMC reviewed and approved at March 2013 meeting.
  - b. GMFMC review and approve at April 2013 meeting.
- I. Re-sent for formal review in April 2013.
- J. Notice of availability of Amendment published on \_\_\_\_\_
- K. Proposed Rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- L. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

***C. Shrimp Amendment 9 – Anna***

- A. √SAFMC reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper – March 2012
- B. √SSC input at April 3-5, 2012 meeting in Savannah, GA
- C. √APs reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper – April 2012
- D. √Approve for public hearings at June 2012
- E. √Public hearings in August 2012

- F. √Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in September 2012
- G. √Sent for formal review in October 2012. Done 11/16/12.
- H. √Notice of availability of amendment published on 3/4/13.
- I. Proposed Rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- J. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

***D. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 13/EA (Technical Adjustment to Allocations & ACLs) – Brian***

- A. √Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at June meeting
- B. √Council review at ~~September~~ December meeting
- C. √Public comment at ~~September~~ December meeting
- D. √Council final approval at ~~September~~ December meeting
- E. √Send to Secretary of Commerce by December 14, 2012. Done 12/17/12.
- F. √Proposed rule published on 3/21/13 with comments due by 4/22/13.
- G. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

***E. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 15/EA (Yellowtail Snapper & Gag AM) – Myra***

- A. √Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at September meeting
- B. √Council review at December meeting
- C. √Public comment at December meeting
- D. √Council final approval at December meeting
- E. Send to Secretary of Commerce by December 14, 2012. Changed to January 2013. Done 3/1/13.
- F. Proposed rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- G. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

***F. Snapper Grouper Amendment 28/EA (Red Snapper Framework) – Myra***

- A. √Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at September 2012 meeting initially as part of Regulatory Amendment 14 but then determined needed to be a plan amendment by NOAA GC
- B. √Council review at December 2012 meeting
- C. √Public comment at December 2012 meeting
- D. √Council final approval at December 2012 meeting
- E. √Send to Secretary of Commerce by December 14, 2012. Changed to January 2013. Done 1/24/13.
- F. Proposed rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- G. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

**G. Snapper Grouper Amendment 27/EA (Yellowtail, Mutton & Nassau Management Authority and Blue Runner) – Myra**

- A. ✓ Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at September 2012 meeting
- B. ✓ Council review at December 2012 meeting and approve for public hearings
- C. ✓ Public hearings in January 2013 and public comment at March 2013 meeting
- D. ✓ Council final approval at March 2013 meeting
- E. Send to Secretary of Commerce by March 31, 2013. Done \_\_\_\_\_.
- F. Proposed rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- G. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

**H. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 18/EA (Vermilion Snapper & Red Porgy) – Gregg**

- A. ✓ At the December 2012 meeting, the Council directed staff to develop a regulatory amendment to address the SEDAR results for vermilion snapper and red porgy.
- B. ✓ Council to review public comments and amendment at March 2013 meeting and approve for formal review.
- C. Send to Secretary of Commerce \_\_\_\_\_
- D. Proposed rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- E. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_

**I. Golden Crab Amendment 6 – Brian**

- ✓A. Scope for a Golden Crab LAP Amendment in November 2009.
- ✓B. Council provides guidance 2010
- ✓C. June 7-11, 2010 Council meeting – provide guidance to staff/team on splitting ACL/AM measures out into the Comprehensive ACL Amendment.
- ✓D. NMFS determination of EA or EIS – done by \_\_\_\_\_ 2010. EA decision.
- ✓E. September 13-17, 2010 Council meeting – status report.
- Note: Due to workload on amendments with a statutory deadline, work on Golden Crab Amendment 6 was deferred into 2011.**
- ✓F. December 6-10, 2010 Council meeting – choose preferred alternatives.
- ✓G. December 5-9-7-11, 2011 Council meeting – approve for public hearings.
- ✓H. Public hearings – Jan/Feb 2012 ~~May 2011~~
- ✓I. March 2012 ~~June 13-17, 2011~~ Council meeting – review public hearing comments and approve all actions.
- J. ✓ ~~June 2012~~ ~~September 12-16, 2011~~ Council meeting – review complete document and approve for formal review. Council provided guidance and revised alternatives at June meeting. Also directed staff to meet with permit holders.
- K. ✓ September 10-14, 2012 Council meeting – review complete document and approve for formal review. Council provided guidance and revised alternatives at September

meeting; also directed staff to meet with AP and bring document back at March 2013 meeting.

- L. At the March 2013 meeting, the Council approved two motions:
  - (a) For the Council to stop work on Amendment 6, including both the catch share and non-catch share actions.
  - (b) Directed staff to work with the relevant APs regarding examination of modifying the northern limit of the northern zone golden crab fishing area.
- M. ~~Send to Secretary of Commerce~~ \_\_\_\_\_.
- N. ~~Final regulations implemented~~ \_\_\_\_\_.

***J. Joint SA/GM Generic For-Hire Reporting Amendment (South Atlantic Only) – Gregg***

- A. ✓At the December 2012 meeting, the Council moved for-hire reporting from CE-BA 3 and directed staff to develop a joint amendment with the Gulf Council.
- B. ✓Gulf Council approved for formal review at their February 2013 meeting
- C. SAFMC reviews comments, modify and approve for formal review in March 2013.
- D. Send for formal review by March 31, 2013.
- E. Proposed Rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- F. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

***K. Joint SA/GM Charterboat Reporting Amendment – Gregg***

- A. ✓At the December 2012 meeting, the Council moved commercial logbook reporting from CE-BA 3 and directed staff to develop a joint amendment with the Gulf Council.
- B. ✓Gulf Council approved at their February 2013 meeting
- C. SAFMC provide guidance at March 2013 meeting on approach and timing
- D. SSC input at \_\_\_\_\_ meeting in \_\_\_\_\_
- E. APs reviews \_\_\_\_\_
- F. Approve for public hearings at \_\_\_\_\_
- G. Public hearings in \_\_\_\_\_
- H. Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in \_\_\_\_\_
- I. Send for formal review in \_\_\_\_\_
- J. Proposed Rule published on \_\_\_\_\_.
- K. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

***L. Analysis of Voluntary IFQ***

- A. Contract out? Consider using Dr. Chris Dumas, UNC Wilmington. He did contractual work for the Comprehensive ACL Amendment and is familiar with the snapper grouper fishery. It may be possible to have Dr. Dumas conduct this work during the summer.
- B. If results are available, the Scientific and Statistical Committee's Socio-Economic Panel could review this during their October 22, 2012 meeting.
- C. Results could be presented to the Council at the December 2012 meeting.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q	R	S	T	U	V	W	X	Y
1		2012												2013											
2	SAFMC CY 2012-13 SCHEDULE	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
3	FMPs/AMENDMENTS/Frameworks																								
4	Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 13 Adj ACLs MRFSS/MRIP Calibration												P/F/S												
5	Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 14 Multiple Species									O					O				Ah		P	A/F/S			
6	Emergency Rule for Yellowtail Snapper									S															
7	Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 15 Yellowtail Snapper, Gag Trigger & Red Snapper												P/F	S											
8	Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 16 Golden Tilefish (2wk on & 2 off)															O			Ah		P	A/F/S			
9	Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 17 MPAs Speckled Hind/Warsaw												O			O									
10	Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 18 (Vermillion & Red Porgy)												O			P/F/S									
11	Generic Snapper Grouper, Dolphin Wahoo & Coastal Migratory Pelagics Am (For-Hire Reporting)												A			P/F/S									
12	Snapper Grouper Amendment 22 (Tags to track catches of Red Snapper, Golden Tile, Snowy & Wreckfish)									O										O		O			
13	Snapper Grouper Amendment 27 Blue Runner/Yellowtail & Mutton Management												Ah	P		A/F/S									
14	Snapper Grouper Amendment 28 Red Snapper Framework												P/F	S											
15	Snapper Grouper Amendment 29 (Allocations, ORCS revisions?)																			Discuss					
16	Snapper Grouper Amendment 30 (VMS)												O			Ah	P?	P?	A/F/S						
17	Dolphin/Wahoo Amendment 5 (Fmwk, ABC/ACL adj, Alloc)												AS	Ps		O			Ah		P	A/F/S			
18	Golden Crab Amendment 6 (Catch Shares)	P	P																Discuss						
19	Fishery Ecosystem Plan (Update #1) - start in 2014																								As
20	Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment #3(2012), #4(2013) & #5(2014) - Bycatch	Ps	Ps	O			Ah	NDC	P/N							A/F/S									As
21	Coral Amendment 8 (Coral HAPCs & Transit thru Oculina Bank HAPC)															A			Ah		P	A/F/S			
22	Shrimp Closure Work (if required; done in 2011)			A												A									
23	Shrimp Amendment 9 (Closure process & MSST)	Ps	Ps	O			Ah	NDC	P/N	A/F/S															
24	Joint Mackerel Amendment 19 (Prohibit Bag Limit Sales & Permits)																			Ah		P	A/F/S		
25	Joint Mackerel Amendment 20 (Boundaries & Timing)																			Ah		P	A/F/S		
26	Joint Mackerel Framework (Size/Bag/Trip Limits)															O			Ah		P	A/F/S			
27	Joint SA/GM Amendment (Commercial Logbooks) - timing determined after GMFMC 2/13 meeting																								
28	Joint SA/GM Amendment (Headboat Reporting) - timing determined after GMFMC 2/13 meeting																								
29	Joint Spiny Lobster Amendment 11 (NMFS lead; Protected Resources Issues)	P	P	F/S																					
30																									
31	Joint GM/SA Dealer Amendment	Ps	Ps				Ah	NDC	P/N	A/F	S														
32																									
33	Workshops with Fishermen - start in 2012																								
34																									
35	Calico Scallop FMP? (Separate FMP or Include in a Comprehensive FEP Am)																								
36	Red = New Amendments added during December 2012 meeting																								
37	D = Plan development																								
38	AS = Approve for public scoping																								
39	Ps = Public scoping																								
40	O = Develop options/review options paper																								
41	Ah = Approve for public hearing																								
42	P = Public hearing																								
43	IP = Informal public hearing																								
44	N = NMFS informal review																								
45	A = Council approve																								
46	F = Final Review																								
47	NDC = NMFS determination of completeness for DEIS Filing																								
48	S = Submit for Secretarial review																								
49	BLUE = DONE																								

Exhibit 1. Council-approved activity schedule as of December 2012 meeting. Still being updated.