



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

ACTIONS RESULTING FROM: JUNE 11-15, 2012 COUNCIL MEETING

TIMING:

√SAFMC Draft by: 6/29/12. Done 7/3/12.

√Distribute to NMFS SERO by: 6/29/12. Done 7/5/12.

Approved by SAFMC & NMFS Staffs: 7/__/12.

√SAFMC Staff approved based on directions from Council at most recent meeting and review on 6/26/12 and 7/3/12.

NMFS Staff approved based on internal review and resolution of questions raised. Done 7/__/12. 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 7/13/12. Done 7/__/12.

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I. SNAPPER GROUPER

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 2/7/12 for March 2012 meeting.
 - b. √Ann and Kim to provide to Gregg by 5/15/12 for June 2012 meeting.
 - c. Anna and Kim to provide to Gregg by 8/14/12 for September 2012 meeting.
 - d. Anna and Kim to provide to Gregg by 11/6/12 for December 2012 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 18 - Myra & Brian*

Note: At the September 2010 meeting, the Council split this amendment into 18A and 18B. This change is reflected under the information for 2010 below.

TEAM LEADS: Kate Quigley/Myra Brouwer (SAFMC Co-Leads)/Karla Gore (NMFS Lead).

The new Amendment 18 will include some of the actions formerly in Amendment 17 as well as some new actions including:

- ~~Extend the range of the snapper grouper fishery management plan north~~
- ~~Designate EFH and EFH HAPCs in the northern areas;~~
- ~~Limit participation and effort in the golden tilefish fishery (endorsements);~~
- ~~Allow for transferability of golden tilefish endorsements;~~
- ~~Changes to the golden tilefish fishing year;~~
- ~~Change golden tilefish fishing limits;~~
- ~~Limit participation in the black sea bass pot fishery;~~
- ~~Limit effort in the black sea bass pot fishery;~~
- ~~Implement measures to reduce bycatch in the black sea bass pot fishery;~~
- ~~Change in the black sea bass fishing year;~~
- ~~Implement a spawning season closure for black sea bass; and Changes to improve data collection.~~

~~Team Members~~

- ~~√a. — Kate Quigley (SAFMC co-lead and commercial fishery impacts); Myra Brouwer (SAFMC co-lead), Roger Pugliese (EFH), Anna Martin (Coral issues); and John Carmichael and Gregg Waugh.~~
- ~~√b. — NMFS Team: Karla Gore (NMFS Lead); Nikhil Mehta, Kate Michie, and Jack McGovern (SERO); Tony Lamberte (NMFS Economist, recreational information); John Vondruska (NMFS Economist, commercial description of the fishery); Stephen Holiman (social description), David Dale (HCD), Otha Easley (OLE), Jenny Lee and Andy Herndon (PR), David Keys (NEPA), Anik Clemens (Regulations writer), Erik Williams and Jim Waters (SEFSC).~~
- ~~√c. — NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit Brunello.~~
- ~~√d. — MAFMC José L. Montañez~~

2008 Activities:

- A. ~~√At the March 2008 meeting, the Council decided not to move forward with a LAPP program for the snapper grouper fishery. They agreed to continue outreach efforts.~~
- B. ~~√DVD on what's coming in snapper grouper management (Gregg) and LAPPs (Kate Q.):
 - 1) ~~√Review final DVD (Kate Q.) by 6/26/08.~~
 - 2) ~~√Duplicate for distribution—estimate about 1,000 copies needed.~~
 - 3) ~~√Distribute to all snapper grouper permit holders (about 900), snapper grouper AP members (those without permit), Council members & staff with cover letter.~~~~

- C. ~~√Contact tilefish fishermen and determine whether they are interested in a LAPP program for the golden tilefish fishery (Kate Q.); include responses in June briefing book—complete by 5/13/08.~~
- D. ~~√Council approved establishing a golden tilefish workgroup during the June 2008 meeting.~~
- ~~1) √Council staff to draft list of workgroup members~~
 - ~~2) √Council to approve workgroup at September 2008 meeting.~~
 - ~~3) √Workgroup to meet asap after September 2008 Council meeting. The industry representatives that have been contacted have indicated the only time they can all meet is October, November, and December. At other times of the year one sector or another is fishing and taking time out for meetings would be very difficult.~~
- E. ~~√Council appointed golden tilefish workgroup at September 2008 meeting.~~
- ~~1) √Contact workgroup members and get them to sign letter.~~
 - ~~2) √Schedule workgroup meeting prior to December 2008 Council meeting.~~
 - ~~3) √Meeting held October 28-29, 2008 in North Charleston, SC. The Golden Tilefish LAPP Workgroup delivered a draft Golden Tilefish LAPP document to the Council in December 2008 outlining their management preferences.~~
- F. ~~√At the December 2008 meeting, the Council directed staff to scope the following items in Amendment 18:~~
- ~~1) Limiting participation and effort in the golden tilefish fishery (possibly endorsements or limited access program);~~
 - ~~2) Limiting participation and effort in the black sea bass pot fishery (possibly endorsements or limited access program);~~
 - ~~3) Extending the range of the Snapper Grouper Fishery Management Plan north through the Mid-Atlantic and New England Council areas;~~
 - ~~4) Separating the snowy grouper quota into regions/states;~~
 - ~~5) Separating the gag recreational Annual Catch Limit (ACL) into region or state Annual Catch Targets (ACTs);~~
 - ~~6) Changing the golden tilefish fishing year;~~
 - ~~7) Improving data reporting;~~
 - ~~8) Changing the wreckfish fishery Individual Transferable Quota (ITQ) program; and~~
 - ~~9) Designating Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) in new areas in the Mid-Atlantic and New England as part of a possible extension of the Snapper Grouper fishery Management Plan (FMP) north.~~
- G. ~~√NOI to publish in FR by 1/22/09. NOI published on 1/28/09.~~
- H. ~~√Nikhil distribute draft NOIs to Jack and Council staff—by Monday, December 15, 2008 noon.~~
- I. ~~√Comments back to Kate Q. and Nikhil by Wednesday, December 17, 2008 noon.~~

2009 Activities:

- A. ~~√NMFS File NOIs— January 9, 2009. Done January 27, 2009.~~
- B. ~~√NOI publishes— January 16, 2009. Done January 28, 2009.~~
- C. ~~√Thirty day comment period begins the date the NOI publishes.~~
- D. ~~√First Scoping Meeting— January 26, 2009.~~
- E. ~~√Draft scoping document by 1/15/09.~~
- F. ~~√Distribute scoping document to the Team by 1/15/09. Schedule a Team call if needed.~~
- G. ~~√Scoping meetings for Snapper Grouper Amendment 18:
 - 1) ~~— January 26, 2009 in Charleston, SC (Hilton Garden Inn).~~
 - 2) ~~— January 27, 2009 in New Bern, NC (Bridge Pointe Hotel).~~
 - 3) ~~— February 3, 2009 in Key Largo, FL (Key Largo Grande).~~
 - 4) ~~— February 4, 2009 in Cocoa Beach, FL (Doubletree Hotel).~~
 - 5) ~~— February 5, 2009 in Pooler, GA (Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum).~~~~
- H. ~~√Written comments due on or before 5 pm on February 6, 2009.~~
- I. ~~√Council reviews scoping comments and provides guidance to staff at March 2009 meeting.~~
- J. ~~√Council review/modify amendment and options during March 2009 Council meeting.~~
- K. ~~√Kate M./Kate Q./Rick send latest version (including any revisions made by the Council at the meeting), Council motions, and list of changes made by the Council to Team by March 17th—COB. Done 3/17/09.~~
- L. ~~√Team Conference call to discuss actions and amendment timing— March 19th, 2009 at 10 am.
 - a. ~~√Following this call, there will be a sub-group call to discuss wreckfish ITQ alternatives.~~
 - b. ~~√Economists call March 23, 2009.~~~~
- M. ~~√Team material due to Kate M./Kate Q./Rick by May 8th, 2009 (noon)~~
- N. ~~√Kate Q./Rick to send amendment to Gregg for briefing book by May 12th, 2009 (noon)~~
- O. ~~√Committee/Council review/modify (if necessary) amendment during June 2009 Council meeting.
 - a. ~~—SSC reviews at June 2009 meeting.~~~~
- ~~√P. — Kate M./Kate Q./Rick send the Summary of the Snapper Grouper Committee Report including the Committee motions by June 16th—COB.~~
- ~~√Q. — Kate M./Kate Q./Rick send latest version of alternatives (including any revisions made by the Council at the meeting), Council motions, and list of changes made by the Council to Team by June 22nd—COB~~

- ~~√R.~~— Kate M./Kate Q./Rick send latest version of Amendment 18 to Team by June 23rd COB.
- ~~√S.~~— Team Conference call to discuss actions and amendment timing—June 24th, 2009, 10 am.
- ~~√T.~~— Team material for AP meeting due to Kate M./Kate Q./Rick by July 17th, 2009 (noon):
- ~~√U.~~— Amendment 18 mailed to AP with briefing material on July 21st, 2009.
- ~~√V.~~— Team material due to Karla/Kate Q./Rick by August 14th, 2009 (noon):
- ~~(1) Tony Lamberte to provide recreational analyses to Rick and Kate Q. by August 12th, 2009 (noon).~~
 - ~~(2) Stephen to provide social analyses to Rick and Kate Q. by August 12th, 2009 (noon).~~
 - ~~(3) Kate to provide commercial economic write-up and combine economic and social analyses by August 14th, 2009 (noon).~~
- ~~√W.~~— Rick to send amendment to Gregg for briefing book by August 18th, 2009 (noon)
- ~~√X.~~— Committee/Council review Amendment 18/DEIS and provide direction to staff/Team and approve for public hearing—September 2009 meeting. Document approved for public hearings but no preferreds chosen. Wreckfish action removed from document and into Amendment 20.
- ~~√Y.~~— Public Hearings for Snapper Grouper Amendment 18/DEIS: The following locations are proposed for Council consideration; target dates are weeks of November 2-6, 2009 and November 9-13, 2009; dates and locations will be finalized at the September 2009 Council meeting:
- ~~_____~~, 2009 in Charleston, SC (Hilton Garden Inn).
 - ~~_____~~, 2009 in New Bern, NC (Bridge Pointe Hotel).
 - ~~_____~~, 2009 in Key Largo, FL (Key Largo Grande).
 - ~~_____~~, 2009 in Cocoa Beach, FL (Doubletree Hotel).
 - ~~_____~~, 2009 in Pooler, GA (Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum).
- ~~√AA.~~— Structure of hearings; Staff on location from 3-7 pm to present proposed actions and to answer questions; Council member to take public comments:
- ~~(1) Video all hearings/stream live on web. Send video to Council members along with briefing book.~~
 - ~~(2) Distribute audio files as hearings are held; summary included in briefing book.~~
 - ~~(3) Hearing chair statement for Amendment 18 ready by _____.~~
 - ~~(4) Staff presentation ready by _____.~~
 - ~~(5) Federal Register notice (Kim) by _____.~~
- ~~√BB.~~— Public Hearing Locations: All Hearings run from 3-7 pm; see list of locations for Amendment 18.

~~√CC. December Council meeting— Council reviews public comment and removes gag recreational allocation action from consideration.~~

~~√DD. Amendment 18 IPT updated via email 12/16/09 and conference call scheduled for January 2010.~~

~~√EE. March 2010 Council meeting— Council reviews Amendment and removes actions for snowy grouper and golden tilefish LAPPS. Includes additional actions for black sea bass to limit effort. Council may decide to take Amendment 18 back out to public hearings at June meeting. Actions in Amendment 18 now include:~~

- ~~• Extend the range of the snapper grouper FMP north~~
- ~~• Designate Essential Fish Habitat in new northern areas~~
- ~~• Limit participation in the golden tilefish fishery through the development of an endorsement program~~
- ~~• Modify management of the black sea bass pot fishery to limit effort and participation and reduce bycatch~~
- ~~• Change the golden tilefish fishing year~~
- ~~• Improve the accuracy, timing, and quantity of fisheries statistics.~~

~~FF. Public Hearing Draft Amendment 18/DEIS (and associated documents—e.g., public hearing summary and hearing chair statement).~~

- ~~√(1) SAFMC staff revise document based on Committee & Council actions at the September 2009 meeting and sends revised document to TEAM & Perry Allen—fill in date ____/09. Done _____.~~
- ~~(2) TEAM submits revised sections to Rick Devictor, including all revised economic and social analyses—by _____. Done _____.~~
- ~~(3) Rick revises DEIS/Amendment and sends to Karla and Monica Smit-Brunello via email and overnight CD—by _____. Done _____.~~
- ~~(4) NMFS files DEIS with EPA—by _____. Note: DEIS needs to be published by _____ comment period must end before December 2009 meeting. Done _____.~~
- ~~(5) Draft Proposed Rule due from Perry Allen by _____. Comment period to end on or before _____.~~
- ~~(6) Science Center Certification Request sent. Done _____.~~
- ~~(7) Science Center Certification received. Done _____.~~
- ~~(8) EFH consultation completed. Done _____.~~
- ~~(9) Interested parties letters sent out. Done _____.~~
- ~~(10) Submitted to PPI for preliminary review. Done _____.~~
- ~~(11) Submitted to PPI for final clearance. Done _____.~~
- ~~(12) Issues Advisory cleared in HQ. Done _____.~~
- ~~(13) NMFS SERO distributes to list in Amendment; done _____.~~
- ~~(14) NMFS SERO keeps track of those who comment so they can be sent the FEIS; done _____.~~
- ~~(15) NMFS SERO compiles DEIS comments and drafts proposed responses; done _____.~~
- ~~(16) Compile all written and public hearing comments—by _____.~~

- GG. ~~NMFS conducts CZM Consistency Determination by _____.~~
- HH. ~~Initiate Section 7 Consultation. Begin as soon as public hearing document is ready. Completed prior to the _____ Council meeting.~~
- II. ~~Review informal & public hearing comments and DEIS comments and approves for formal review _____ Council meeting.~~
- JJ. ~~Amendment 18/FEIS completion:~~
~~_____ (i)TEAM finalizes document (including revisions to FEIS and proposed rule from Perry Allen) by _____.~~
~~_____ (ii)Council staff finalizes document if necessary by _____.~~
- KK. ~~Final Council review at _____ meeting if necessary.~~
- LL. ~~Council staff finalizes document if necessary.~~
- MM. ~~Council sends Amendment 18 to Secretary of Commerce by _____.~~
- NN. ~~NMFS Declares Transmit Date as _____.~~
- OO. ~~NMFS Declares Transmit Date as _____.~~
- PP. ~~Notice of Availability of Amendment 18 published _____.~~
~~(1) Comments due no later than 5 pm EST on ____/10.~~
~~(2) Send to Council, SG AP & SSC~~
~~(3) Post to website; Fishery Bulletin will be posted to website.~~
~~(4) Amendment approved on _____.~~
- QQ. ~~Proposed Rule published _____.~~
~~_____ (1) Send to Council, SG AP & SSC~~
~~_____ (2) Comments due by _____~~
- RR. ~~Final Rule published _____.~~
~~(1) Send to Council, SG AP & SSC~~
~~(2) Implementation Date _____.~~
- _____

2010 Activities:

- A. ~~√~~March 1-5, 2010 Council meeting— Council provided guidance to staff/team and added one new motion (change in black seabass fishing year).
 - B. ~~√~~June 6-11, 2010 Council meeting— Council provided guidance to staff/team and added one new motion (black seabass spawning season closure)
 - C. ~~√~~Motions and revised alternatives sent to IPT June 15, 2010. IPT meeting held June 17, 2010. Materials for inclusion in the first briefing book due August 6, 2010.
 - D. ~~√~~September 13-17, 2010 Council meeting— choose preferred alternatives and approve Amendment 18A/EA for 2nd round of public hearings.
 - E. ~~√~~Motions and revised alternatives sent to IPT September 20, 2010. IPT meeting held September 27, 2010.
- Note:** ~~At the September 2010 meeting, the Council split Amendment 18 into Amendment 18A and 18B:~~

3. Amendment 18A/EIS – Brian

Note: At the June 2011 meeting, the Council reorganized Amendments 18A and 18B. These changes are reflected in the list of actions and under the information for 2011 below.

Brian – SAFMC Lead; Kate Michie – NMFS Lead

Amendment 18A

- Black sea bass rebuilding strategy
- Black sea bass MSA parameters
- Black sea bass AMs
- Black sea bass actions;
 - Limit participation in the black sea bass pot fishery;
 - Limit effort in the black sea bass pot fishery;
 - Implement measures to reduce bycatch in the black sea bass pot fishery;
- Black sea bass spawning season closure & split season (split season later removed)
- Black sea bass ACLs & Management Measure changes based on assessment
 - Minimum size limit
 - Bag limit (moved to considered but eliminated from detailed consideration appendix)
 - Commercial trip limit
- Black sea bass allocations within commercial sectors
- Changes to improve data collection in the snapper grouper fishery
[Golden tilefish items moved to Am 18B]

Team Members

- a. ✓SAFMC Team: Brian Chevront (SAFMC Lead and commercial description and fishery impacts); Myra Brouwer, Kari MacLauchlin (SIA), Roger Pugliese (EFH), Anna Martin (Coral issues) and John Carmichael.
- b. NMFS SERO Team: Kate Michie (NMFS Lead); Nikhil Mehta, Karla Gore, and Jack McGovern (SERO); Tony Lamberte (NMFS Economist, recreational description and fishery impacts); David Dale (HCD), Otha Easley (OLE), Jenny Lee and Andy Herndon (PR), David Keys (NEPA), Anik Clemens and Scott Sandorf (Regulations writer).
- c. NMFS SEFSC Team: Erik Williams and Scott Crosson.
- d. NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello.

Note: The following timeline is for Amendment 18A:

- A. — ~~✓Motions and revised alternatives sent to IPT September 30, 2010. IPT meeting held September 27, 2010. Materials for inclusion in the first briefing book due November 12, 2010.~~
- B. — ~~✓Public hearings from 5-7 pm
(1) ✓Locations~~

- a. ~~Port Canaveral—October 27, 2010; Ben to chair~~
- b. ~~Charleston—October 26, 2010; checking with Robert to chair~~
- c. ~~New Bern—October 25, 2010; Brian to chair~~
- (2) ~~√Federal Register Notice—Kim~~
- C. ~~√Public Hearing Draft Amendment 18A/DEIS (and associated documents—e.g., public hearing summary and hearing chair statement).~~
 - ~~√(1) SAFMC staff revise document based on Committee & Council actions at the September 2010 meeting and sends revised document to TEAM & Perry Allen—fill in date ____/10. Done 10/15/10.~~
 - ~~√(2) TEAM submits revised sections to Kate Quigley, including all revised economic and social analyses—by _____. Done 10/15/10.~~
 - ~~(3) √Kate revises DEIS/Amendment 18A and sends to Gregg—by _____. Done 10/19/10.~~
 - ~~√Gregg reviews and sends comments to Kate—done 10/20/10.~~
 - ~~(4) √Public Hearing Summary~~
 - ~~a. √Kate/Myra prepare summary—done 10/22/10.~~
 - ~~b. √Kim posts to website—by _____. Done 10/22/10.~~
 - ~~(5) √Kate revises DEIS/Amendment 18A and sends to~~
 - ~~a. √Kim to post to website—done 10/21/10.~~
 - ~~b. √Karla and Monica Smit Brunello via email and overnight CD—by _____. Done 10/21/10 sent to Karla.~~
 - ~~(6) NMFS to file DEIS with EPA—by _____. Note: DEIS needs to be published by _____ comment period must end before March 2011 meeting. Done _____.~~
 - ~~(7) Draft Proposed Rule due from Perry Allen by _____.~~
 - ~~(8) Comment period to end on or before:~~
 - ~~a. √Public hearings—by November 5, 2010~~
 - ~~b. DEIS—by February 18, 2011 (so they can be included in the March Council briefing book to be mailed on February 21, 2011.~~
 - ~~(9) NMFS SERO distributes to list in Amendment; done _____.~~
 - ~~(10) NMFS SERO keeps track of those who comment so they can be sent the FEIS; done _____.~~
 - ~~(11) NMFS SERO compiles DEIS comments and drafts proposed responses; done _____.~~
 - ~~(12) Compile all written and public hearing comments—by _____.~~
- D. ~~NMFS conducts CZM Consistency Determination by _____.~~
- E. ~~Initiate Section 7 Consultation. Begin as soon as public hearing document is ready. Completed prior to the March 2011 Council meeting.~~
- F. ~~Completion of Amendment 18A/DEIS:~~
 - ~~√(1) Review public hearing comments, choose preferred alternatives, and approve actions/provide guidance to staff/IPT—December 6-10, 2010 Council meeting.~~
 - ~~(2) Review DEIS comments, review revised document, modify as appropriate, and approve for formal review by Secretary of Commerce—March 7-11, 2011 Council meeting.~~
- G. ~~√Motions and revised alternatives sent to IPT December 16, 2010.~~

2011 Activities:

- A. √IPT meeting held January __, 2011. Materials for inclusion in the first briefing book due February __, 2011.
- B. √March 7-11, 2011 Council meeting – Council provided guidance to staff/team.
- C. √Motions and revised alternatives sent to IPT _____.
- D. √IPT meeting held _____.
- E. √Materials for inclusion in first briefing book due May __, 2011.
- F. √Council provides guidance at June 2011 meeting.
- G. Preparation of Amendment 18A/EA or EIS for September 2011 meeting:
 - (1) NMFS determines EA or EIS
 - (2) √Distribute motions/alternatives from June meeting
 - (3) IPT call 6/30
 - (4) Sections due to team leads (Brian & Kate) by 7/26
 - (5) July 27 to 29 – Incorporate IPT sections
 - ~~(6) August 1 – Send to GC, Regional NEPA, SEFSC for 2 week review~~
 - ~~(7) August 1 to August 15 – Review~~
 - (8) Ready for briefing book – week of August 29th or 9 am September 6th at latest
- H. √Review document and approve for public hearings – September 12-16, 2011 Council meeting
- I. Document preparation for public hearings after September meeting – Amendment 18A/DEIS:
 - (1) √Distribute motions/alternatives from September meeting
 - (2) √IPT call 9/27 at 1 pm
 - (3) √Sections due to team leads (Brian & Kate) by 10/7/11. Done October 21, 2011
 - (4) √October 1 to 11. Done October 25, 2011– PPI review of DEIS
 - (5) √October 10-12. Done October 25, 2011 – GC review
 - (6) √October 12-13. Done November 8, 2011– PPI gives final clearance of DEIS
 - (7) Documents ready to be posted to website by noon on October 21, 2011
- J. DEIS Publication – file DEIS in time so that comment period ends on or before December 5, 2011.
 - (1) √October 12 (Wednesday). Done 11/9/11 – Transmit DEIS to EPA to file
 - (2) √October 14. Done 11/11/11 (Friday) – DEIS files
 - (3) √October 21. Done 11/18/11 (Friday) – DEIS publishes; starts 45-day comment period. Transmit Amendment/DEIS to SEFSC.
 - (4) October 21 to December 5. November 18, 2011 - January 2, 2012– DEIS 45-day comment period.

- K. √PH held in November & December 2011 and cover SG Amendments 18A/EIS (Black Sea Bass), 20A/EA (Wreckfish) & 24/EA (Red Grouper):
Public hearings will be held from 4-7 pm except Charleston & Raleigh from 5:30 – 7:30 pm

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- a. Hotel arrangements – Cindy.
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- e. Public Hearing Summary available
 - i. Complete by 10/21/11
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- f. Email address: SGAmend18APHcomment@safmc.net
- g. Public Hearing Presentation

- L. √Review public hearing comments, review revised document, modify as appropriate, and approve for formal review by Secretary of Commerce – December 5-9, 2011 Council meeting
- M. Amendment 18A/FEIS completion:
 - (1) √TEAM finalizes document (including revisions to FEIS and proposed rule) – by 12/14/11. Done 12/19/11.
 - (2) √Council staff finalizes document 12/15/11. Done 12/19/11.
 - (3) √Review by David Cupka (Chair) & Gregg Waugh. Done 12/20/11.
- N. √Council sends Amendment 18A/FEIS to Secretary of Commerce by December 16, 2011. Done 1/5/12.
Council's intent for regulations to be effective by the start of the fishing year on June 1, 2012.
Regulations likely to be effective July 1, 2012.
- O. √DEIS Notice of Availability published 12/9/11.
Comments on DEIS due on or before 1/23/12.
- P. √NMFS Declares Transmit Date as 1/26/12.
- Q. Final Review & Implementation
 - (1) √Notice of Availability of Amendment 18A published 1/31/12.
 - (2) √Comments due no later than 5 pm EST on 4/2/12.
 - (2) √Send to SG AP & SSC
 - (3) √Post to website; Fishery Bulletin will be posted to website.
 - (4) √Proposed rule published on 3/23/12.
 - (5) √Comments due 4/23/12.
 - (6) √Amendment partially approved on 5/2/12. Transfer provision not approved and will be addressed in Resubmittal of Action 4 (see below).
 - (7) √Fishery Bulletin published on 5/31/12 stating the Final Rule has been published and final regulations will be effective on 7/1/12.
 - (8) √Final Rule published on 6/1/12 with regulations effective 7/1/12.

4. Resubmittal of Action 4 in Amendment 18A – Brian

Brian – SAFMC Lead; Kate Michie – NMFS Lead

- A. √Council provides guidance at March 5-9, 2012 meeting.
- B. √Staff/IPT prepare resubmittal document by 5/8/12.
- C. √Council reviews and approves for formal review at June 11-15, 2012 meeting.
- D. Preparation of final document for formal review:
 - (1) NOAA GC Comments provided by ____/12. Done 6/29/12.
 - (2) √Document finalized for review by David and Gregg - ____/12. Done 6/27/12 and 6/29/12.
 - (3) √Revisions provided to Brian by mid July.
 - (4) √Final document ready to send for formal review by _____. Done 7/5/12.
- E. √Send to Secretary of Commerce for formal review by 6/22/12. Done 7/5/12.
- F. Final regulations effective _____.

5. Amendment 18B/EA – Myra

Note: At the June 2011 meeting, the Council reorganized Amendments 18A and 18B. These changes are reflected in the list of actions and under the information for 2011 below.

Myra – SAFMC Lead; Karla Gore – NMFS Lead

Amendment 18B/EA

- Update MSA Parameters (ABC, OFL, ACL, ACT, OY)
- Golden tilefish rebuilding strategy if determined overfished
- Golden tilefish AMs – change to track ACLs
- Limit participation and effort in the golden tilefish fishery (endorsements)
- Establish appeals process
- Allocate commercial quota between longline and hook-and-line
- Allow for transferability of golden tilefish endorsements
- Changes to the golden tilefish fishing year
- Commercial trip limits
- Recreational season or some other mechanism to limit to recreational ACL/ACT

Team Members

- a. Myra Brouwer (SAFMC Lead), Brian Chevront (update 2010 data and commercial fishery impacts), Kari MacLauchlin (SIA), Roger Pugliese (EFH), Anna Martin (Coral issues) and John Carmichael.
- b. NMFS Team: Karla Gore (NMFS Lead); Nikhil Mehta, Kate Michie, and Jack McGovern (SERO); Tony Lamberte (NMFS Economist, recreational description and fishery impacts); David Dale (HCD), Otha Easley (OLE), Jenny Lee and Andy Herndon (PR), David Keys (NEPA), Anik Clemens and Scott Sandorf (Regulations writers), Erik Williams and Scott Crosson (SEFSC).
- c. NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello.

2011/2012 Activities:

- A. √IPT meeting held January __, 2011. Materials for inclusion in the first briefing book due February __, 2011.
- B. √March 7-11, 2011 Council meeting – Council provided guidance to staff/team.
- C. √Motions and revised alternatives sent to IPT _____.
- D. √IPT meeting held _____.
- E. √Materials for inclusion in first briefing book due May __, 2011.
- F. √Council provides guidance at June 2011 meeting.
- G. Preparation of Amendment 18B/EA for September 2011 meeting:
 - (1) √Distribute motions/alternatives from June meeting
 - (2) √IPT call 7/6/11
 - (3) √Sections due to team leads (Myra & Karla) by 8/17
 - (4) √August 17 to 29 – Incorporate IPT sections
 - (5) September 1 – Send to GC, Regional NEPA, SEFSC for 2 week review

- (6) September 1 to 15 – Review
- (7) √Ready for briefing book – week of August 29th or 9 am September 6th at latest
- H. √Review document and ~~approve for public hearings~~ – September 12-16, 2011 Council meeting; Council deferred approving for public hearings until December 5-9, 2011 meeting.
- I. √Document preparation for December meeting
 - (1) √Distribute motions/alternatives from September meeting
 - (2) IPT call 10/4/11 at 2 pm
 - (3) Sections due to team leads (Myra & Karla) by _____
 - (4) _____ – Incorporate IPT sections
 - (5) _____ – Send to GC, Regional NEPA, SEFSC for 2 week review
 - (6) _____ – Review
 - (7) First Briefing Book deadline – 11/8/11
 - (8) Second Briefing Book deadline – 11/23/11
- J. √Snapper Grouper AP input during October 5-6, 2011 meeting
 - (1) √Distribute briefing materials 9/26
 - (2) √Distribute AP input to IPT for incorporation into Amendment document 10/10
- K. √Document preparation for public hearings – In December, Council approved Amendment 18B for public hearings contingent on receiving the projections from the SEFSC; projections not available in time for document to be finalized for hearing so delayed until hearings in August.
- L. √Conference call on January 3, 2012 and SEFSC can provide preliminary projections within several days and final projections by February 3, 2012. Chairman Cupka and RA Crabtree directed IPT/Staff to prepare Amendment 18B for Jan/Feb hearings and do the best job possible given the extremely short notice. Preliminary projections were provided in January 2012.
- M. √PH held in January/February 2012:

Public hearings/Scoping will be held from 4-7 pm

<p><u>January 24, 2012</u> Crowne Plaza 4831 Tanger Outlet Blvd. North Charleston, SC 29418 Phone: 843-744-4422</p>	<p><u>January 31, 2012</u> Hilton Cocoa Beach 1550 North Atlantic Ave. Cocoa Beach, FL 32931 321-799-0003</p>
<p><u>January 26, 2012</u> BridgePointe Hotel & Marina 101 Howell Road New Bern, NC 28562 Phone: 252-636-3637</p>	<p><u>February 1, 2012</u> Crowne Plaza Jacksonville Riverfront 1201 Riverplace Boulevard Jacksonville, FL 32207 Phone: 904-398-8800</p>
<p><u>January 30, 2012</u> Hilton Key Largo Resort 97000 Overseas Highway Key Largo, FL 33037 Phone: 305-852-5553</p>	<p><u>February 2, 2012</u> Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum 175 Bourne Avenue Pooler, GA 31322 Phone: 912-748-8888</p>

- (1) √Hotel arrangements – Cindy.
- (2) √PH Comment Period: July 27, 2012 – 5 pm on August 27, 2012
- (3) √FR Notice – Kim/Andrea; done _____/12.
- (4) √Amendment available

- i. Complete by 1/13/12. Done 1/18/12.
 - ii. Posted to web on 1/18/12
 - (5) √Public Hearing Summary available
 - i. Complete by 1/13/12
 - ii. Posted to web by 1/13/12
 - (6) √Email address: SGAmend18BPHcomment@safmc.net
 - (7) √Public Hearing Presentation

- N. √Document Preparation for March Council meeting
 - (1) √Public hearing document in 1st Briefing Book – 2/13/12
 - (2) √Revised document in 2nd Briefing Book (1st if possible) – 2/27/12 @ 9 am
- O. √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
- P. √Document Preparation for June Council meeting
 - (1) Revised sections to IPT leads by 5/14/12
 - (2) Team finalized document (including proposed rule) – by 5/21/12
 - (3) Council staff finalizes document for inclusion in 1st Briefing Book – by noon on 5/22/12
- Q. √Council reviews revised document, modify as appropriate, and approve for formal review by Secretary of Commerce – June 11-15, 2012 Council meeting
- R. Amendment 18B/EA completion for formal review:
 - (1) TEAM finalizes document (including proposed rule) – by 7/10/12.
 - (2) Review by SEFSC, NOAA GC, SERO staff (Jack) & Council staff (Gregg) – by 7/25/12
 - (3) Council staff finalizes document & sends to Council chair for final review – by 7/27/12
 - (4) Review by Council chair – by 8/6/12
 - (5) Council staff makes final revisions – by 8/7/12
- S. Council sends Amendment 18B/EA to Secretary of Commerce by August 17, 2012.
- T. Regulations to be effective prior to January 1, 2013; intent to have regulations effective prior to next fishing year.
- U. NMFS Declares Transmit Date as _____.
- V. Final Review and Implementation
 - (1) Notice of Availability published _____.
 - (2) Comments due no later than 5 pm EST on ____/12.
 - (3) Send to SG AP & SSC.
 - (4) Post to website; Fishery Bulletin will be posted to website.
 - (5) Proposed rule published on _____.
 - (6) Comments due on or before _____.
 - (7) Amendment approved on _____.
 - (8) Final Rule published on _____.

6. *Amendment 18C - Myra*

Amendment 18B

- Extend the range of the snapper grouper fishery management plan north and
- Designate EFH and EFH-HAPCs in the northern areas.

Note: NMFS and NOAA GC are to review the requirement to extend the FMU north to account for mortality in that area when tracking the ACL. If it is not required then this amendment will not move forward.

Timeline will be developed if the decision is to move ahead with this amendment.

7. *Amendment 20/EA (Changes to the Wreckfish ITQ) - Kari*

- 1) ~~IPT Team members:~~
 - ~~√a. SAFMC Team: Kate Quigley (SAFMC lead); Myra Brouwer, Roger Pugliese (EFH), Anna Martin (Coral issues); John Carmichael and Gregg Waugh.~~
 - ~~√b. NMFS SERO Team: Nikhil Mehta (NMFS Lead), Kate Michie, Mike Travis, Andy Strelcheck, Anik Clemons, Janet Miller, Otha Easley (OLE), David Dale (HCD), Karla Gore, Jack McGovern, Andy Herndon, Amanda Frick, Anik Clemens (Regulations writer) and David Keys (NEPA).~~
 - ~~√c. NMFS SEFSC Team: Jim Waters, Doug Vaughan and Noah Silverman.~~
 - ~~√d. NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello.~~
- 2) ~~√NMFS and Council staff to hold a meeting to determine options to bring back to the Council in September. Council staff conducts an informal survey of shareholders regarding the wreckfish ITQ program and issues of concern they would like addressed.~~
- 3) ~~√Snapper Grouper AP reviews Amendment 20 and recommends an ACL of 1.1 million pounds.~~
- 4) ~~√NMFS and Council staffs develop a draft review of the wreckfish ITQ program that incorporates a survey of all shareholders able to be contacted. This is presented to the Council in September and the Council requests staff draft an agenda for a shareholders meeting to comment on the review and provide input on changes they would like to see made to the ITQ program.~~
- 5) ~~√September Council meeting: Council reviews Amd 20 document and adds allocation action and requests staff to craft various suites of alternatives for several actions. Staff leads meet to craft options for December.~~
- 6) ~~√December Council meeting: Staff provides the Council with suites of alternatives for requested actions to consider and revise. The Council requests a shareholder meeting to be held in January or shortly thereafter to receive feedback on changes considered to the wreckfish ITQ program.~~
- 7) ~~√Amd 20 IPT informed of changes 12/16/09 and IPT conference call planned for January 15, 2010.~~

2009 Activities:

1. ~~√NMFS File NOIs January 9, 2009. Done January 27, 2009.~~
2. ~~√NOI publishes January 16, 2009. Done January 28, 2009.~~
3. ~~√Thirty day comment period begins the date the NOI publishes.~~
4. ~~√First Scoping Meeting January 26, 2009.~~
5. ~~√Draft scoping document by 1/15/09.~~
6. ~~√Distribute scoping document to the Team by 1/15/09. Schedule a Team call if needed.~~

7. ✓ Scoping meetings for Snapper Grouper Amendment 18:
 - a. ✓ January 26, 2009 in Charleston, SC (Hilton Garden Inn).
 - b. ✓ January 27, 2009 in New Bern, NC (Bridge Pointe Hotel).
 - c. ✓ February 3, 2009 in Key Largo, FL (Key Largo Grande).
 - d. ✓ February 4, 2009 in Cocoa Beach, FL (Doubletree Hotel).
 - e. ✓ February 5, 2009 in Pooler, GA (Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum).
 8. ✓ Written comments due on or before 5 pm on February 6, 2009.
 9. ✓ Council reviews scoping comments and provides guidance to staff at March 2009 meeting.
 10. ✓ Council review/modify amendment and options during March 2009 Council meeting.
 11. ✓ Kate M./Kate Q./Rick send latest version (including any revisions made by the Council at the meeting), Council motions, and list of changes made by the Council to Team by March 17th COB. Done 3/17/09.
 12. ✓ Team Conference call to discuss actions and amendment timing — March 19th, 2009 at 10 am:
 - a. ✓ Following this call, there will be a sub-group call to discuss wreckfish ITQ alternatives.
 - b. ✓ Economists call March 23, 2009.
 13. ✓ Team material due to Kate M./Kate Q./Rick by May 8th, 2009 (noon)
 14. ✓ Kate Q./Rick to send amendment to Gregg for briefing book by May 12th, 2009 (noon)
 15. ✓ Committee/Council review/modify (if necessary) amendment during June 2009 Council meeting:
 - a. ✓ SSC reviews at June 2009 meeting and receives a presentation by wreckfish AP members on the prosecution of the fishery.
 16. ✓ P. — Kate M./Kate Q./Rick send the Summary of the Snapper Grouper Committee Report including the Committee motions by June 16th COB.
 17. ✓ Q. — Kate M./Kate Q./Rick send latest version of alternatives (including any revisions made by the Council at the meeting), Council motions, and list of changes made by the Council to Team by June 22nd — COB
- ✓ R. — Kate M./Kate Q./Rick send latest version of Amendment 18 to Team by June 23rd COB.
- ✓ S. — Team Conference call to discuss actions and amendment timing — June 24th, 2009, 10 am.
- ✓ T. — Team material for AP meeting due to Kate M./Kate Q./Rick by July 17th, 2009 (noon):
- ✓ U. — Amendment 18 mailed to AP with briefing material on July 21st, 2009.
- ✓ V. — IPT meeting — July 23rd, 2009.
- W. — Team material due to Karla/Kate Q./Rick by August 14th, 2009 (noon):
- (1) Tony Lamberte to provide recreational analyses to Rick and Kate Q. by August 12th, 2009 (noon).
 - (2) Stephen to provide social analyses to Rick and Kate Q. by August 12th, 2009 (noon).
 - (3) Kate to provide commercial economic write up and combine economic and social analyses by August 14th, 2009 (noon).

X. ~~Rick to send amendment to Gregg for briefing book by August 18th, 2009 (noon)~~

Y. ~~✓Snapper Grouper AP reviews Amendment 20 and recommends an ACL of 1.1 million pounds.~~

Z. ~~✓NMFS and Council staff hold a meeting to determine options to bring back to the Council in September. Council staff conducts an informal survey of shareholders regarding the wreckfish ITQ program and issues of concern they would like addressed.~~

~~✓NMFS and Council staff develop a draft review of the wreckfish ITQ program that incorporates a survey of all shareholders able to be contacted. This is presented to the Council in September and the Council requests staff draft an agenda for a shareholders meeting to comment on the review and provide input on changes they would like to see made to the ITQ program.~~

~~✓September Council meeting: Council reviews Amd 20 document and adds an allocation action and requests staff to craft various suites of alternatives for several actions. Staff leads meet to craft options for December.~~

~~✓December 2009 Council meeting: Staff provides the Council with suites of alternatives for requested actions to consider and revise. The Council requests a shareholder meeting be held in January or shortly thereafter to receive feedback on changes considered to the wreckfish ITQ program.~~

~~✓Amd 20 IPT informed of changes 12/16/09 and IPT conference call held January 13, 2010.~~

2010 Activities:

A. ~~✓March 2010 Council meeting: Wreckfish shareholder meeting agenda approved. Options paper approved for incorporation into Amendment 20.~~

B. ~~✓March 29-30 Wreckfish Shareholder meeting held in Charleston, SC.~~

C. ~~✓June 7-11, 2010 Council meeting: Wreckfish Shareholder meeting summary provided to the Council. New alternatives devised by shareholders incorporated into amendment.~~

D. ~~✓Motions and revised actions and alternatives sent to IPT June 21, 2010.~~

E. ~~✓IPT meeting held June 23, 2010. Briefing book material due August 10, 2010.~~

F. ~~✓Additional actions suggested and incorporated into the document.~~

G. ~~✓September Council Meeting: List of current shareholders who could be contacted and those who could not be contacted provided to the Council. New action and alternatives to explore reallocation and distribution of shares belonging to deceased and uncontactable shareholders to be incorporated into amendment.~~

H. ~~✓Motions and revised actions and alternatives sent to IPT September 21, 2010~~

I. ~~✓IPT meeting held September , 2010. Follow-up email to IPT September 24, 2010, in lieu of IPT meeting.~~

J. ~~✓December Council Meeting: The Council was provided an update on progress made on Amendment 20.~~

2011 Activities:

- A. √Scoping – January/February 2011
- B. √March 2011 Council meeting – review scoping comments and provide direction to Staff/IPT.
- C. √June 2011 Council meeting – review document and provide direction to Staff/IPT.

Note: At the June meeting the Council split Amendment 20 into 20A (4 issues) and 20B (remaining issues).

8. Snapper Grouper Amendment 20A (Wreckfish 4 issues)

SG Amendment 20A/EA – Actions Included:

- a. Define which shares will be reverted
- b. Define how to redistribute reverted shares
- c. Define a share cap on ownership
- d. Appeals/Set aside

SG Amendment 20A/EA IPT Team Members:

- √a. SAFMC Team: Kari MacLauchlin (SAFMC lead); Brian Chevront, Myra Brouwer, Roger Pugliese (EFH), and Anna Martin (Coral issues).
- √b. NMFS SERO Team: Mike Travis (NMFS Lead), Nikhil Mehta (NMFS Lead), Kate Michie, Andy Strelcheck, Janet Miller, Christina Package (SIA), Otha Easley (OLE), David Dale (HCD), Karla Gore, Jack McGovern, Andy Herndon, Amanda Frick, Anne Marie Eich (Regulations writer) and David Keys (NEPA).
- √c. NMFS SEFSC Team: Scott Crosson and David Gloeckner.
- √d. NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello.

SG Amendment 20A - 2011 Activities:

- A. √IPT meeting – timeline and writing responsibilities; June 30
- B. √NMFS determines EA or EIS. IPT recommends EA.
- C. √Revisions to document for August 9, 2011 Council meeting
- D. √Council provides guidance at August 9, 2011 Council meeting – choose preferreds if possible (and approve for public hearings if required for timing). NMFS advised that approving for public hearings in September would meet the required timing.
- E. √Preparation of Amendment 20A/EA for September 2011 meeting:
 - (1) √Distribute motions/alternatives from August meeting
 - (2) √IPT call 6/30
 - (3) √Sections due to team leads (Kari and Mike/Nik) by 8/31
 - (4) √Sept 1-2 – Incorporate IPT sections
 - (5) √Ready for briefing book – week of August 29th or 9 am September 6th at latest
- F. √Review document and approve for public hearings – September 12-16, 2011 Council meeting

- G. √Document preparation for public hearings
- (1) √Distribute motions/alternatives from September meeting
 - (2) √IPT call 9/22
 - (3) Sections due to team leads (Kari & Mike/Nik) by 10/14
 - (4) Incorporate IPT sections – 10/14 or sooner thru 10/20
 - (5) Public Hearing Document & Summary posted to website – noon on 10/21
 - (6) Send to GC, Regional NEPA, SEFSC for 2 week review
 - (7) Review
 - (8) Documents ready to be posted to website by noon on October 21, 2011
- H. √PH held in November & December 2011 and cover SG Amendments 18A/EIS (Black Sea Bass), 20A/EA (Wreckfish) & 24/EA (Red Grouper):
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- (1) Hotel arrangements – Cindy.
 - (2) PH Comment Period: October 21, 2011 – 5 pm on November 21, 2011
 - (3) FR Notice – Kim/Andrea; done _____/11.
 - (4) Amendment available
 - i. Complete by 10/21/11
 - ii. Posted to web by 10/21/11
 - (5) Public Hearing Summary available
 - i. Complete by 10/21/11
 - ii. Posted to web by 10/21/11
 - (6) Email address: SGAmend20APHcomment@safmc.net
 - (7) Public Hearing Presentation
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- I. √Document preparation for December Council meeting
 - (1) First briefing book – use public hearing documents
 - (2) Second briefing book – mailed on November 23rd
 - J. √Review public hearing comments, review revised document, modify as appropriate, and approve for formal review by Secretary of Commerce – December 5-9, 2011 Council meeting
 - K. √Amendment 20A/EA completion:
 - (1) TEAM finalizes document (including proposed rule) – by 12/14/11.
 - (2) Council staff finalizes document 12/15/11.
 - L. √Council sends Amendment 20A/EA to Secretary of Commerce by December 16, 2011. Done 12/19/11.
 - M. **Regulations to be effective prior to start of 2012/2013 fishing year.**
 - N. √NMFS Declares Transmit Date as 1/9/12.
 - O. Notice of Availability published 1/12/12.
 - √(1) Comments due no later than 5 pm EST on 3/12/12.
 - √(2) Send to SG AP & SSC
 - √(3) Post to website; Fishery Bulletin will be posted to website.
 - √(4) Proposed rule should also be distributed for comment. Proposed rule published on 3/30/12 and comments are due on or before 4/30/12.
 - √(5) Amendment approved on 4/10/12.
 - (6) Final Rule published on _____.**

**9. Snapper Grouper Amendment 20B (Wreckfish remaining issues)-
Kari**

SG Amendment 20B – Actions Include:

1. Transfer Eligibility Requirements
2. Caps on ITQ Annual Pounds Ownership
3. Adjustments in Annual Allocations of Commercial TACs
4. Use it or Lose it Policy for ITQ Shares
5. Cost Recovery Plan
6. Guaranteed Loan Program
7. Approved Landing Sites
8. Annual Pounds Overage
9. Collection of Royalties from Resource Use
10. New Entrants Program
11. Incidental Catch Provisions
12. VMS Requirement

SG Amendment 20B IPT Team members:

- √a. SAFMC Team: Kari MacLauchlin (SAFMC lead); Brian Chevront, Myra Brouwer, Roger Pugliese (EFH), Anna Martin (Coral issues), and John Carmichael.
- √b. NMFS SERO Team: Mike Travis (NMFS Lead), Nikhil Mehta (NMFS Lead), Kate Michie, Andy Strelcheck, Janet Miller, Otha Easley (OLE), David Dale (HCD), Karla Gore, Jack McGovern, Christine Package (Anthropologist), Andy Herndon, Amanda Frick, Anik Clemens and Scott Sandorf (Regulations writer) and David Keys (NEPA).
- √c. NMFS SEFSC Team: To be determined.
- √d. NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello.

SG Amendment 20B - 2011 Activities: due to work on other amendments, this will resume in 2012; Council guidance to be provided at March 2012 meeting.

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

- a. Revisions to document for _____ Council meeting

10. Amendment 21 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.

11. Amendment 22 (Long-term management of red snapper) – Myra

The Council 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.

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: Andy Strelcheck, Kate Michie, and Jack McGovern (Biologists, Sustainable Fisheries); David Dale (Habitat Division); Otha Easley (Law Enforcement); Jenny Lee and Andy Herndon (Protected Resources); David Keys (NEPA); Stephen Holiman and Mike Travis (Economists, Sustainable Fisheries); and Mike Jepson (Social Scientist, Sustainable Fisheries). **NOTE: SERO to confirm**
- c. NMFS SEFSC Team: TBD
- 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 October 2012
- f. Approve for public hearings at December 2012 meeting
- g. Public hearings January 2012
- h. Council reviews public hearing comments and final approval at March 2013 meeting

NOTE: Scoping meetings for this amendment were held in Jan-Feb 2011

12. Amendment 24/EA (Red Grouper) - Myra

[Start 6/10 notification; Final Council action 12/2011 to meet statutory deadline.
Deadline is 6/9/12.]

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

This amendment specifies the rebuilding plan, MSY, OY, ACL, ACTs (recreational sector), allocations, and AMs for red grouper. The Council/NMFS has two years from notification of stock status to implement a rebuilding plan.

- A. IPT Members
 - √a. SAFMC Team: Myra Brouwer (SAFMC Lead), Brian Chevront, Kari MacLauchlin, Roger Pugliese, and Anna Martin (Coral issues)
 - b. NMFS SERO Team: Rick DeVictor (NMFS lead), Kate Michie and Jack McGovern (Biologists, Sustainable Fisheries); David Dale (Habitat Division); Otha Easley (Law Enforcement); Jenny Lee and Andy Herndon (Protected Resources); David Keys (NEPA); Anik Clemens and Scott Sandorf (Regulations writer); and Christina Package (Social Scientist) and Tony Lamberte (Economist).
 - c. NMFS SEFSC Team: Larry Perruso, Juan Agar, and David Carter (Economists, SEFSC)
 - d. NOAA GC: Monica Smit-Brunello
- √B. Team Conference Call – TBD.
- √C. SERO to request additional red grouper rebuilding projections - requested 7/12/10 and received on 9/3/10.
- √D. Team SECTIONS due to Team leads by August 10 COB.
- √E. September Council meeting. Council moved black grouper into Comprehensive ACL Amendment
- √F. Motions and amendment sent to IPT - TBD
- G. √IPT Conference call – 10/29/10 at 10 am. Need the economic analysis (by the December Council meeting if possible) for the Council to evaluate the pros and cons of a shorter rebuilding time period.
- H. √Add alternatives as directed by Council. – Rick DeVictor
- I. √Ask IPT to fill out EA vs. EIS form.
- J. √Hold conference call with Dave Keys and Monica to determine NEPA document.
- K. √The determination has been made to prepare an EIS. NMFS to publish NOI and Council to hold scoping meetings in January/February 2011.
- L. √December meeting – Council approves for public scoping.

2011 Activities:

- A. √IPT call in January 2011. Date TBD.
- B. √NOI to publish Jan 12, 2011. Comment period Jan 13-Feb 14, 2011
- C. √Scoping – January/February
- D. √Council reviews scoping comments and provides guidance to staff/IPT in March 2011
- E. √Document ready for June BB by
- F. √Council approves for PH and DEIS review at June 2011 meeting
- G. √Document preparation for public hearings
 - (1) √Distribute motions/alternatives from June meeting
 - (2) √IPT call 6/30
 - (3) √Sections due to team leads (Myra & Rick) by 7/26
 - (4) √July 27 to 29 – Incorporate IPT sections
- H. √PH held in August

Public hearings will be held from 5-7 pm; Jacksonville & Cape Canaveral canceled due to hurricane.

August 2011	City & Location	Hearing Chairs	Hotel Rooms
8/22	Hilton Wilmington Riverside 301 North Water Street Wilmington, NC 28401 Phone: 1-910-763-5900	Mac	Need rooms
8/23	Hilton Garden Inn 5265 International Boulevard North Charleston, SC 29418 Phone: 843-308-9330	David	None
8/24	Jacksonville Marriott 4670 Salisbury Road Jacksonville, FL 32256 Phone: 904-296-2222	Duane	Need rooms
8/25	Radisson Resort at the Port 8701 Astronaut Boulevard Cape Canaveral, FL 32920 Phone: 321-784-0000	Ben	Need rooms for staff

- a. √Hotel arrangements – Cindy.
- b. √PH Comment Period: August 12, 2011 – 5 pm on September 1, 2011
- c. √FR Notice – Kim/Andrea; done 7/26/11.
- d. Amendment available
- e. √Complete by 8/12/11
- f. √Posted to web by 8/12/11
- g. √Public Hearing Summary available
- h. √Complete by 8/12/11
- i. √Posted to web by 8/12/11
- j. Email address: SGAmend24PHcomment@safmc.net
- k. √Public Hearing Presentation

- l. ✓Letter to Roy Crabtree requesting Phil Steele attend public hearings to explain commercial quota tracking – Gregg to draft for Bob’s review over David Cupka’s signature
- m. ✓Letter to Bonnie Ponwith requesting Deputy Director attend public hearings to explain recreational quota tracking – Gregg to draft for Bob’s review over David Cupka’s signature
- G. ~~DEIS comment period to end by September meeting; not sufficient time so will end by December meeting. DEIS filed by _____.~~
- I. ✓Council reviews PH/DEIS comments at September meeting and approves all actions; DEIS not filed so only PH comments reviewed.
 - (1) ✓Council will review public hearing comments and approve all action at September meeting; Deferred until December
 - (2) ✓DEIS comments will be reviewed at December meeting.
- J. Document revisions after September Meeting
 - (1) ✓September 19 – E-mail Amendment to IPT
 - (2) ✓September 21 - IPT conference call; IPT recommends EA. The recommendation was forwarded to David Keys and Monica Smit-Brunello on 9/21/11. The IPT also decided to move forward with the timing of an EA unless notified otherwise.
 - (3) ✓October 5 – Sections due to Rick & Myra
 - (4) ✓Myra/Rick provide document to NOAA GC, NEPA, Council/SERO staff for review - October 10 AM
 - (5) ✓NOAA GC, NEPA, Council/SERO staff review - October 10 through October 14
 - (6) ✓Myra/Rick incorporate reviewer's comments - October 17 through October 19
 - (7) ✓Document ready for web posting by October 21
- K. ✓PH held in November & December 2011 and cover SG Amendments 18A/EIS (Black Sea Bass), 20A/EA (Wreckfish) & 24/EA (Red Grouper):
 Public hearings will be held from 4-7 pm except Charleston and Raleigh: 5:30 – 7:30 pm

2011	City & Location	Hearing Chairs	Staff	Hotel Rooms?
11/14	Avista Resort 300 N. Ocean Blvd. North Myrtle Beach, SC 29582 Phone: 843-249-2521	Tom Swatzel (Michelle & Tom Burgess to attend)	Gregg, Andrea & Mike	Gregg 11/13
11/14	Hampton Inn & Suites Savannah/Midtown 20 Johnson Street Savannah, GA 31405 Phone: 912-721-3700	Duane Harris	Brian, Myra, Kari, Kim & Julie	Staff
11/15 5:30 – 7:30 pm	The Charleston Marriott Hotel 170 Lockwood Boulevard Charleston, SC 29403 Phone: 843-723-3000	Robert Boyles (Duane if Robert can’t since attending Habitat)	Gregg, Andrea & Mike	None

11/15	Jacksonville Marriott 4670 Salisbury Road Jacksonville, FL 32256 Phone: 904-296-2222	Ben Hartig (John Jolley to attend)	Brian, Myra, Kari, Kim & Julie	Staff, Ben & John
11/16	Radisson Resort at the Port 8701 Astronaut Boulevard Cape Canaveral, FL 32920 Phone: 321-784-0000	Ben	Brian, Myra, Kari, Kim & Julie	Staff & Ben
11/17	Key Largo Bay Marriott 103800 Overseas Highway Key Largo, FL 33037 Phone: 305-453-0000	Ben Hartig (John Jolley to attend)	Brian, Myra, Kari, Kim & Julie	Staff, Ben & John
12/6/11 5:30 – 7:30 pm	Holiday Inn Brownstone Hotel 1707 Hillsborough Street Raleigh, NC 27605 Phone: 919-828-0811	Mac	Brian, Myra, Kari, Kim, Andrea & Julie	During Council meeting

- a. Hotel arrangements – Cindy.
- b. PH Comment Period: October 21, 2011 – 5 pm on November 21, 2011
- c. FR Notice – Kim/Andrea; done _____/11.
- d. Amendment available
 - i. Complete by 10/21/11
 - ii. Posted to web by 10/21/11
- e. Public Hearing Summary available
 - i. Complete by 10/21/11
 - ii. Posted to web by 10/21/11
- L. √Document preparation for December Council meeting
 - (1) First briefing book – use public hearing documents
 - (2) Second briefing book – mailed on November 23rd
- M. √Council approves document for SOC submission at December 5-9, 2011 meeting
- N. √Final revisions to document – done 12/13/11.
- O. √Council send for formal review – by December 15, 2011. Done 12/14/11.
- P. NMFS Declares Transmit Date as _____/12.
- Q. √Notice of Availability of Amendment published February 27, 2012.
 - (1) Comments due no later than 5 pm EST on April 27, 2012.
 - (2) Send to Council, SG AP & SSC _____, 2012.
 - (3) Post to website; Fishery Bulletin will be posted to website _____, 2012.
 - (4) Amendment approved on 5/25/12.
- R. √Proposed Rule published March 30, 2012.
 - (1) Send to Council, SG AP & SSC _____.
 - (2) Comments due by April 30, 2012.
 - (3) PRA completed (OMB cleared) _____.
- S. √Final Rule published no later than June 9, 2012 to meet statutory deadline. Done 6/11/12.
 - (1) Send to Council, SG AP & SSC _____.
 - (2) Implementation Date 7/11/12.

13. Regulatory Amendment 11/EA (Adjustments to Am 17B Closure) - Brian

Note: No statutory deadline.

- A. √Assign Team – TBD
 - a. √SAFMC Team: Brian Chevront (SAFMC Lead), Kari MacLauchlin, Myra Brouwer, Roger Pugliese (EFH) and Anna Martin (Coral issues)
 - b. NMFS SERO Team: Rick Devictor (NMFS Lead), Kate Michie, Andy Strelcheck, Nick Farmer, Otha Easley (OLE), David Dale (HCD), Jack McGovern, Andy Herndon, Jennifer Lee, Scott Sandorf (Regulations writer), Denise Johnson, and David Keys (NEPA).
 - c. NMFS SEFSC Team: Christopher Liese (economist) and Nate Bacheler (biologist)
 - d. √NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello
- B. √Council reviews and provides guidance – March 2011.
- C. √SSC Reviews materials from March meeting (additional analyses not provided) – April 2011
- D. √Council reviews and provide guidance – June 2011
- E. √SSC reviews draft amendment via mail prior to August 2011 Council meeting
- F. √Document finalization for August 2011 meeting
- G. √Council reviews public comments, revises amendment as necessary, and approves for formal review by SOC – August 9, 2011 meeting
- H. √Document preparation for formal review:
 - (1) √IPT completes document – 8/17/11
 - (2) √Council chair reviews document & proposed rule – 8/26/11
 - (3) √Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule – done 9/27/11.
 - (4) √Corrections made by – completed on 9/28/11.
 - (5) √Council sends amendment for formal review – by August 22, 2011. Done 9/28/11.
- I. NMFS Declares Transmit Date as _____/11.
- J. ~~Notice of Availability of Regulatory Amendment 11 published~~ **Not required for regulatory amendment.**
 - ~~(1) Comments due no later than 5 pm EST on _____/11.~~
 - ~~(2) Send to Council, AP & SSC~~
 - ~~(3) Post to website; Fishery Bulletin will be posted to website.~~
 - ~~(4) Amendment approved on _____/11.~~
- K. √Proposed Rule published 12/20/11.
 - (1) Send to Council, AP & SSC
 - (2) Comments due by 1/19/12.
- L. √Final Rule published 5/10/12 and regulations effective upon publication. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on May 9, 2012.
 - (1) Send to Council, AP & SSC
 - (2) Post to web site

14. Regulatory Amendment 12/EA (Golden Tilefish) – Gregg/Myra

Note: No statutory deadline.

- A. √Assign Team – TBD
 - a. √SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh, Myra Brower
 - b. NMFS SERO Team: Karla Gore, Jack McGovern, Tony Lamberte David Dale (HCD), Otha Easley (OLE), Jenny Lee and Andy Herndon (PR), David Keys (NEPA), Anik Clemens and Scott Sandorf (Regulations writers).
 - c. NMFS SEFSC Team: Erik Williams and Scott Crosson (SEFSC).
 - d. √NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello
- B. √Document Preparation
 - a. √IPT/Staff prepare document for 1st briefing book by 2/14/12. Done 2/16/12.
 - b. √Sent for IPT review on 2/16/12.
 - c. √NMFS IPT comments to Karla & Karla provides document with all comments in track changes to Gregg by CONB 2/24/12.
 - d. √Gregg revises document for 2nd briefing book by 2/27.
- C. √SSC Review 1st BBook document via mail with comments presented to Council at March meeting.
- D. √Snapper Grouper AP Review 1st BBook document via mail with comments presented to Council at March meeting.
- E. √Public hearing held March 8, 2012 beginning at 5:30 p.m.
(Note: Snapper Grouper Amendment 18B includes actions that would adjust the annual catch limit/optimum yield and accountability measures for golden tilefish and includes the same alternatives presented in this Regulatory Amendment with the exception of new Alternative 5 in Action 1 and new Action 2. Public hearings occurred from January 24 through February 2, 2012.)
- F. √Council reviews and approves for final submission – March 9, 2012.
- G. Document preparation for formal review:
 - a. √Staff/IPT completes document – 3/19/12. Regulatory Amendment done 4/10 and Council Conclusions/Appendices done 4/11.
 - b. √Council chair reviews document & proposed rule – 3/21/12. To chairman on 4/13.
 - c. √Comments from SERO received on 4/19 and from NOAA GC on 4/23.
 - d. √Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule – done 3/22/11. Done 4/16?
 - e. √Corrections made by – completed on 3/23/12. Done 5/1/12.
 - f. √Council sends amendment for formal review – by March 23, 2012. Done 5/2/12.
- H. NMFS Declares Transmit Date as _____/11.
- I. Proposed Rule published _____.
 - (1) Send to Council, AP & SSC
 - (2) Comments due by _____/12.

- J. Final Rule published _____/12.
(1) Send to Council, AP & SSC
(2) Post to web site
- K. Regulations Implemented _____/12.

15. Regulatory Amendment 13/CE (Technical Adjustment to Allocations & ACLs) –Myra

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 & Jack McGovern (Biologists, Sustainable Fisheries); Jessica Stephen & Michael Larkin (Data Analysts, Sustainable Fisheries); Denise Johnson (Economist, Sustainable Fisheries); Christina Package (Social Scientist, Sustainable Fisheries); Scott Sandorf (Technical Writer, Sustainable Fisheries); David Keys (NEPA); David Dale (Habitat Conservation); Jenny Lee (Protected Resources); and Jeff Radonski (Law Enforcement).
 - c. **NMFS SEFSC Team:**
 - 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 by _____
 - b. Update landings with any corrections since Comp ACL Amendment was finalized by _____
 - c. Include columns that show allocations and ABCs/ACLs with these changes
 - d. Provide for IPT review by _____
 - e. Include revised recreational numbers from MRFSS/MRIP conversions once available from SEFSC - _____
 - f. Allocations recalculated using Boyle's Law as specified in Comp ACL Amendment
 - g. Show revised ABCs/ACLs and distribute by _____
3. Document Preparation – follow format used for Resubmittal of Action from Snapper Grouper Amendment 18A:
 - a. Nik – use format from resubmittal document and prepare draft for IPT/Staff to use – asap
 - b. IPT/Staff prepare document for 1st briefing book by August 20, 2012
 - c. Sent for IPT review on _____
 - d. NMFS IPT comments to Nik by _____
 - e. Nik provides edited document to Myra by _____
 - f. Gregg revises document for 2nd briefing book on September 3, 2012 at 8 am.
4. SSC Review
 - a. August 1, 2012 – SSC review version of document available as of July 16, 2012.
 - b. Revised document in Council's briefing book via mail with comments presented to Council at September meeting.
5. Snapper Grouper AP Review document via mail with comments presented to Council at September meeting.
6. Council reviews and approves for final submission – September 2012.

7. 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 _____.
 - f. Council sends amendment for formal review on _____.
7. NMFS Declares Transmit Date as _____.
8. Proposed Rule published _____.
 - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
 - b. Comments due by _____
9. Final Rule published _____/12.
 - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
 - b. Post to web site
 - c. Regulations Implemented _____/12.

16. Regulatory Amendment 14/EA or EIS – 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. Grey 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
- C. AP & SSC reviews in October?
- D. Council Approves for public hearings at December meeting
- E. Public hearings January/February 2013
- F. Public comment at March 2013 meeting
- G. Council final approval at March 2013 meeting
- H. Send to Secretary of Commerce March 29, 2013
- I. Final regulations effective _____

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 & Jack McGovern (Biologists, Sustainable Fisheries); Jessica Stephen & Michael Larkin (Data Analysts, Sustainable Fisheries); Denise Johnson (Economist, Sustainable Fisheries); Christina Package (Social Scientist, Sustainable Fisheries); Scott Sandorf (Technical Writer, Sustainable Fisheries); David Keys (NEPA); David Dale (Habitat Conservation); Jenny Lee (Protected Resources); and Jeff Radonski (Law Enforcement).
- c. **NMFS SEFSC Team:**
- d. ✓ NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello

Notes:

- 1. 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.
- 2. Gray trigger will be assessed in 2013.
- 3. **Does the Council want to proceed with changes in management now or wait until after the assessments?**

II. ECOSYSTEM

4. *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 2012.**

Other FEP- Ecosystem-Based Management related Meetings/Coordination (2011):

The following FEP/Ecosystem-Based Management related meetings/coordination are scheduled in 2011:

- 1) ✓South Atlantic Landscape Conservation Cooperative (SALCC) Steering Committee Meeting: February 1-2, 2011 Raleigh, NC
- 2) ✓SE Climate Service Center Workshop: March 1-2, 2011 Atlanta, GA
- 3) ✓SARP Science and Data Committee Meeting, May 10-11, 2011 Charleston, SC
- 4) ✓SECOORA Board of Directors Meeting, May 16-18, 2011 Savannah, GA
- 5) ✓Atlantic Wind Energy Workshop: July 12-14, 2011 Charleston, SC
- 6) ✓SEAMAP SA and Joint South Atlantic, GOM and Caribbean Committee Meetings: August 8-10, 2011 Key West, FL
- 7) SECOORA Board of Directors and Governors South Atlantic Alliance Steering Committee/EPT Meeting, September 7-9, 2011 Savannah, GA
- 8) Oceans 2010, September 18-24, 2011 Kona, HI
- 9) SARP Member Meeting/SEAFWA, October 24-16, 2011 Nashville, TN
- 10) Habitat and Environmental Advisory Panel Meeting, November 15-16, 2011 Charleston, SC

2. 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

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
- I. Changes implemented January 1, 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 (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 (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.
 - 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**

<p><u>January 24, 2012</u> Crowne Plaza 4831 Tanger Outlet Blvd. North Charleston, SC 29418 Phone: 843-744-4422</p>	<p><u>January 31, 2012</u> Hilton Cocoa Beach 1550 North Atlantic Ave. Cocoa Beach, FL 32931 321-799-0003</p>
<p><u>January 26, 2012</u> BridgePointe Hotel & Marina 101 Howell Road New Bern, NC 28562 Phone: 252-636-3637</p>	<p><u>February 1, 2012</u> Crowne Plaza Jacksonville Riverfront 1201 Riverplace Boulevard Jacksonville, FL 32207 Phone: 904-398-8800</p>
<p><u>January 30, 2012</u> Hilton Key Largo Resort 97000 Overseas Highway Key Largo, FL 33037 Phone: 305-852-5553</p>	<p><u>February 2, 2012</u> Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum 175 Bourne Avenue Pooler, GA 31322 Phone: 912-748-8888</p>

- 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

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

- 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
 R. Staff revises CE-BA 3 according to guidance
 S. Council chair reviews and deems CE-BA 3 and codified text
 T. Council sends document for formal review

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:

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

- B. Public input presented to Council at September 2012 meeting in Charleston
 C. IPT begin development of MPA alternatives
 D. MPA alternatives presented to Council at December 2012 meeting in Wilmington, NC
 E. Council approve for public hearings at December 2012 meeting

- F. Public Hearings held in Jan/Feb 2013
- G. Final Approval in March 2013

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

Items included:

- A. Coral HAPCs & Transit through the Oculina HAPC
- B. MPAs targeting Speckled hind and Warsaw grouper – consider alternatives to provide protection in the mid-shelf fishery
- C. Powerhead prohibition in EEZ off NC
- D. Dolphin/Wahoo Allocations, ABC/ACL adjustments for MRFSS/MRIP conversion, and modifications to the Framework provisions in the FMP
- E. Wreckfish fishery impacts to deepwater coral habitat; and also impacts associated with deep dropping for other SG species

Timing:

- A. Council considers additional items at September 2012 meeting
- B. Schedule a joint AP meeting during Sept/Oct with Deepwater Shrimp; Coral; and representatives from the Habitat and LE APs.
- C. Council refines list and approves for scoping – December 2012 meeting
- D. Scope in January/February 2013 – see below for details
- E. Council reviews scoping comments at March 2013 meeting and provides guidance to Staff/IPT
- F. Individual Council Species Committees develop actions/alternatives
- G. Council reviews amendment and approves for public hearings at June 2013 meeting
- H. Public hearings – August 2013
- I. Council reviews public hearing comments and approves for formal review at September 2013 meeting
- J. Changes implemented January 1, 2014

Specific Steps:

- A. NOI to publish in FR by _____. NOI published on _____.
 - a. (Note: A NOI is not needed if CE-BA 4 is an EA. More information is needed before it can be determined if CE-BA 4 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. 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 DRAFT**

<p><u>January 22, 2013</u> Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum 175 Bourne Avenue Pooler, GA 31322 Phone: 912-748-8888</p>	<p><u>January 23, 2013</u> Crowne Plaza 4831 Tanger Outlet Blvd. North Charleston, SC 29418 Phone: 843-744-4422</p>
<p><u>January 24, 2013</u> Hilton New Bern/Riverfront 100 Middle Street New Bern, NC 28560 Phone: 252-638-3585</p>	<p><u>January 28, 2013</u> Crowne Plaza Jacksonville Riverfront 1201 Riverplace Boulevard Jacksonville, FL 32207 Phone: 904-398-8800</p>
<p><u>January 29, 2013</u> Hilton Cocoa Beach 1550 North Atlantic Ave. Cocoa Beach, FL 32931 321-799-0003</p>	<p><u>January 30, 2013</u> Hilton Key Largo Resort 97000 Overseas Highway Key Largo, FL 33037 Phone: 305-852-5553</p>

E. Written comments due on or before 5 pm on February 6, 2013.

F. Council reviews scoping comments and provides direction to staff at March 2013 meeting.

III. MACKEREL

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

IPT Team

- a. √SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh (SAFMC Lead), Kari MacLauchlin, Brian Cheuvront, Roger Pugliese (EFH), and Anna Martin (Coral issues)
- b. √GMFMC Team: Rick Leard (GMFMC Lead), Assane Diagne, and Ava Lasseter
- 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

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:

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 September
5. Public hearings in ?
6. Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in December

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

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

IPT Team

- a. ✓SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh (SAFMC Lead), Kari MacLauchlin, Brian Chevront, Roger Pugliese (EFH), and Anna Martin (Coral issues)
- b. ✓GMFMC Team: Rick Leard (GMFMC Lead), Assane Diagne, and Ava Lasseter
- 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 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. Restrictions on Fishing for King Mackerel in Multiple Zones
6. Modify the Gulf and Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia Annual Catch Limits (ACLs).
7. Establish State-by-State or Regional Quotas for Atlantic Migratory Group King Mackerel, Spanish Mackerel, and Cobia
8. Set Annual Catch Target (ACTs) by Sub-Zones for Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia.
9. Specify Accountability Measures (AMs) by Sub-Zones for Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia
10. Modify the Framework Procedure

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:

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 September
5. Public hearings in ?
6. Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in December

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

3. SAFMC Framework

Actions:

1. Change the Gulf group king mackerel commercial trip limit in the northern and southern subzones of the eastern zone to 1,500 lbs with no step-down. Also, consider changes to the trip limit in the western zone from 3,000 lbs.
2. 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)
3. Retention of 1 king mackerel greater than 50 inches.
4. Spawning season closure for Atlantic group King Mackerel
5. Change trip limits for Atlantic group King Mackerel
 - a) 33% decrease (2310 lbs/50 fish/825 lbs for north/middle/south subzones).
 - b) 66% decrease (1155 lbs/25 fish/413 lbs)
 - c) 25 fish limit in middle zone in May
 - d) exclude Monroe County from any limit decrease

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. Public comment at December 2012 meeting
- F. Final review and approve for formal review at December meeting
- G. Or approve for public hearings at December meeting
- H. Public hearings in January 2013
- I. Final review and approval at March 2013 meeting

IV. SPINY LOBSTER

1. *Spiny Lobster Amendment 11 – Kari*

The Gulf and South Atlantic Councils will prepare a joint amendment to meet the recommendations from the Biological Opinion issued by NMFS in 2009.

IPT Team

- 1) √SAFMC Team: Kari MacLauchlin (SAFMC Lead), Gregg Waugh
- 2) √GMFMC Team: Carrie Simmons (GMFMC Lead), Assane Diagne
- 3) √NMFS SERO Team: Susan Gerhart (NMFS Lead), John Vondruska, David Dale, Jennifer Lee, and Noah Silverman.
- 4) √NMFS SEFSC Team: John Isely
- 5) √NOAA GC Team: Mara Levy

Actions

Limit fishing areas (i.e., spatial closures) to protect threatened staghorn and elkhorn coral

Require gear markings on trap lines

These actions were also included in Amendment 10 but the Councils chose No Action as the Preferred Alternative for both actions, with the understanding that the actions would be re-addressed in a timely manner in Amendment 11. NMFS Protected Resources (PR) will work with industry and other user groups to identify areas of high concentration of staghorn and elkhorn coral in order to minimize impact by lobster traps.

STEPS:

- A. √July 2011- NMFS PR holds meeting with stakeholders to identify areas to prohibit traps
Workshops were held July 12-13. The first day was mostly Sanctuary staff and a few industry people, basically just a discussion about best criteria to determine areas to protect. Second day there were about the same people along with more industry folks. Andy provided maps with new areas marked as key *Acropora* areas, and fishermen marked on maps to indicate if this was a good spot or to recommend other areas with high *Acropora* density. The maps with the new proposed areas were returned to participants for further review August 31.
- B. √NMFS SERO develops alternatives for limiting fishing areas and gear markings on trap line actions.
- C. √NMFS SERO determined an SEIS is required.
- D. √September 2011- South Atlantic Council receives report on actions to meet BO.
- E. √October 24-27, 2011 in New Orleans, LA – Gulf Council reviews draft document and selects preferred alternatives.
- F. √December 5-9, 2011- South Atlantic Council reviews draft document and selects preferred alternatives and approves for public hearings.

- G. ✓Public Hearings – SAFMC will conduct the public hearing with participation of NMFS staff at Key Largo on January 30, 2012. The Gulf Council would need to schedule their Spiny Lobster Committee on January 31 or later during their Council meeting week. GMFMC hearings held January 23 & 24, 2012.

Scoping/hearings will be held from 4-7 pm

<p><u>January 24, 2012</u> Crowne Plaza 4831 Tanger Outlet Blvd. North Charleston, SC 29418 Phone: 843-744-4422</p>	<p><u>January 31, 2012</u> Hilton Cocoa Beach 1550 North Atlantic Ave. Cocoa Beach, FL 32931 321-799-0003</p>
<p><u>January 26, 2012</u> BridgePointe Hotel & Marina 101 Howell Road New Bern, NC 28562 Phone: 252-636-3637</p>	<p><u>February 1, 2012</u> Crowne Plaza Jacksonville Riverfront 1201 Riverplace Boulevard Jacksonville, FL 32207 Phone: 904-398-8800</p>
<p><u>January 30, 2012</u> Hilton Key Largo Resort 97000 Overseas Highway Key Largo, FL 33037 Phone: 305-852-5553</p>	<p><u>February 2, 2012</u> Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum 175 Bourne Avenue Pooler, GA 31322 Phone: 912-748-8888</p>

- H. ✓January/February 2012 – Gulf Council reviews document and approves for formal review. GMFMC final approval for formal review on 2/2/12.
- I. DSEIS Notice of Availability
 (1) ✓NOA published on 2/3/12
 (2) ✓Comments on DSEIS due on or before 3/19/12
- J. ✓March 5-9, 2012 in Savannah, GA – South Atlantic Council reviews document and approves for formal review.
- K. ✓Document preparation for formal review:
 (1) IPT completes document
 (2) Council chair reviews document & proposed rule
 (3) Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule
 (4) Corrections made by 4/3/12.
- L. ✓Send Spiny Lobster Amendment 11/SEIS/Proposed rule for formal review – April/May 2012. Done 4/4/12.
- M. ✓NMFS Declares Transmit Date as 4/5/12.
- N. ✓Notice of Availability of Amendment 11 published 4/27/12.
 (1) ✓Comments due no later than 5 pm EST on 6/26/12.
 (2) ✓Send to Council, AP & SSC
 (3) ✓Post to website; Fishery Bulletin (2/3/12) will be posted to website.
 (4) Amendment approved on _____/12.
- O. Proposed Rule published _____/12.
 (1) Send to Council, AP & SSC
 (2) Comments due by _____/12.
- P. Final Rule published _____/12.
 (1) Send to Council, AP & SSC
 (2) Post to websites

V. 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); Jenny Lee and Andy Herndon (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 MSST proxy for pink shrimp.

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 _____.
 - a. (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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<p><u>January 26, 2012</u> BridgePointe Hotel & Marina 101 Howell Road New Bern, NC 28562 Phone: 252-636-3637</p>	<p><u>February 1, 2012</u> Crowne Plaza Jacksonville Riverfront 1201 Riverplace Boulevard Jacksonville, FL 32207 Phone: 904-398-8800</p>
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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
 - (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 will be held from 4-7 pm

<p><u>August 6, 2012</u> Richmond Hill City Center 520 Cedar Street Richmond Hill, GA 31324 Phone: 912-445-0043</p>	<p><u>August 7, 2012</u> Jacksonville Marriott 4670 Salisbury Road Jacksonville, FL 32256 Phone: 904-296-2222</p>
<p><u>August 8, 2012</u> Doubletree Hotel 2080 N. Atlantic Avenue Cocoa Beach, Florida 32931 Phone: 321-783-9222</p>	<p><u>August 9, 2012</u> Hilton Key Largo Resort 97000 South Overseas Highway Key Largo, Florida 33037 Phone: 305-852-5553</p>
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- 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
- R. Council chair reviews and deems Shrimp Amendment 9 and codified text
- S. Council sends document for formal review

2. *Potential Cold Water Closure*

- A. Plan for action in 2013 if requested.

VI. COMPREHENSIVE ANNUAL CATCH LIMIT (ACL) AMENDMENT - Myra

1. *Comprehensives ACL Amendment 1 - Myra*

This amendment specifies ABC Control Rules, ABCs, ACLs, ACTs, allocations, and AMs where need for species in the Snapper Grouper, Dolphin Wahoo, Golden Crab, and Sargassum FMUs where needed. There are other actions in the amendment such as removing species from the FMU and specifying ecosystem component species. The most significant action for the December Council meeting will be for the IPT to determine how the species groupings will work (are there sub-complexes, is there an ACL/AM for the entire complex, are there indicator species?). The schedule is to approve for public hearings in December and approve to send to SOC at the June 2011 meeting. Need to add black grouper alternatives from Amendment 24.

Species to be included and principal SAFMC staff:

1. Snapper Grouper (ACL related issues for non-overfishing species including wreckfish) – Myra; Gregg to help with wreckfish
2. Golden Crab (ACL related issues; LAPP issues in separate amendment) – Gregg
3. Sargassum (ACL related issues) - Roger
4. Dolphin Wahoo (ACL related issues) – Gregg

Steps

1. Scoping

- A. ✓ Approve for scoping at the December 2008 meeting:
- B. ✓ NOI to publish in FR by _____. NOI published on _____.
 - 1) ✓ Kate distribute draft NOIs to Jack and Council staff - by Monday, December 15, 2008 noon. Done December 30, 2008.
 - 2) ✓ Comments back to Kate by Wednesday, December 17, 2008 noon. Done January 5, 2009.
 - 3) **Internal NMFS Review**
 - 4) ✓ NMFS File NOIs - January 9, 2009. Done 1/16/09.
 - 5) ✓ NOI publishes - January 16, 2009. Done 1/22/09.
 - 6) ✓ Thirty day comment period begins the date the NOI publishes; 1/22 – 2/22/09.
 - 7) ✓ First Scoping Meeting - January 26, 2009.
 - 8) ✓ Last Scoping Meeting – February 5, 2009.
- C. ✓ Scope during weeks of January 26-30, 2009 and February 2-5, 2009.

<p><u>January 26, 2009</u> Hilton Garden Inn 5265 International Blvd. N. Charleston, South Carolina 29418 Phone: 843-308-9331</p>	<p><u>January 27, 2009</u> Bridge Pointe Hotel 101 Howell Road New Bern, North Carolina 28582 Phone: 252-636-3637</p>
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<p><u>February 3, 2009</u> Key Largo Grande 97000 South Overseas Highway Key Largo, Florida 33037 Phone: 305-852-5553</p>	<p><u>February 4, 2009</u> Doubletree Hotel 2080 N. Atlantic Avenue Cocoa Beach, Florida 32931 Phone: 321-783-9222</p>
<p><u>February 5, 2009</u> Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum 175 Bourne Ave. Pooler, Georgia 31322 Phone: 912-748-8888</p>	

- D. Written comments due on or before 5 pm on February 6, 2009.
2. Appoint Team Members
- TEAM LEADS: Myra Brouwer (SAFMC Lead); Nikhil Mehta (NMFS Lead)
- A. √SAFMC: Myra Brouwer (SAFMC Lead); Anna Martin (Coral issues); Roger Pugliese (EFH/Ecosystem); Kate Quigley (Economics); Gregg Waugh and John Carmichael.
- B. NMFS Team: Nikhil Mehta (NMFS Lead), Rick DeVictor, and Jack McGovern (SERO); Karla Gore (SERO); Kate Michie (SERO); David Dale (HCD); Otha Easley (OLE); Andy Herndon (PR); David Keys (NEPA); Mike Jepson (NMFS Anthropologists); and Mike Travis (Economist). NMFS is determining whether additional NMFS staff will be added for dolphin/wahoo, golden crab, coral, Sargassum, and wreckfish.
- C. √NMFS SEFSC – Larry Perruso, Juan Agar, and David Carter ~~Jim Berkson (NOAA RTR Unit, Virginia Tech)~~
- D. √NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello.
3. ~~Committee/Council review scoping comments and options paper at:~~
- ~~√A. March 2009 meeting. At June 2009 meeting. The committee will evaluate the criteria for designating ecosystem species. Tables will be provided ranking level of landings by species from high to low from headboat, MRFSS, logbook, and ALS databases. Existing state regulations will also be compiled.~~

~~Based on actions by the Council at the March 2009 meeting, SSC timing, and staff workload, the following revised timeline is suggested: **Note: This has been updated as of December 2009.**~~

16. ~~√Staff/Team prepare analyses of ecosystem species designation by May 12, 2009.~~
17. ~~√Committee/Council review and provide guidance June 2009 meeting~~
18. ~~√Staff/Team continue to work on draft amendment document during 2009.~~
19. ~~√Committee/Council review and provide guidance during 2009.~~
20. ~~√SSC provides OFL/ABC recommendations by April 2010.~~

21. ~~√Committee/Council review and provide guidance—June & September 2010 meeting.~~
22. ~~Approve document for public hearings—December 2010.~~
23. ~~Public hearings & DEIS review—January/February 2011.~~
24. ~~Committee/Council review public hearing input and approve actions—March 2011.~~
25. ~~Committee/Council review and approve final document—June 2011.~~
26. ~~SAFMC submits Amendment Comprehensive ACL Amendment for formal Secretarial review—June 2011.~~
27. ~~NMFS implements during 2011 fishing year.~~

ADD MISSING 2009 ITEMS

~~√E.—Team Conference Call—10/29/09~~

~~√F.—December Council meeting—12/7/09—12/11/09~~

~~√G.—Send committee reports and with motions to Comp. ACL Team—by 12/17/09~~

2010 ACTIVITIES:

A. ~~√Team Conference Call—January 13, 2010~~

B. ~~√Team SECTIONS due to Team leads by February 16 COB.~~

C. ~~√March 2-6, 2010 Council Meeting. Council review alternatives in the Amendment.~~

D. ~~√Nik/Rick send latest version of options paper (including any revisions made by the Council at the meeting) and Amendment timeline to the Team by March 15, 2010 COB.~~

E. ~~√Team Conference call to discuss actions and amendment timing—March 23, 2010 at 2 PM~~

F. ~~√April 20-22, 2010—SSC develops ABC control rules for data poor species and provides ABC recommendations.~~

G. ~~√Team material due to Nik/Rick—noon on May 5, 2010~~

H. ~~√Briefing book material to Gregg Waugh—COB May 11, 2010~~

I. ~~√First Briefing Book mailed—May 20, 2010~~

J. ~~√June 7-11, 2010 Council meeting. Council reviews SSC input, alternatives and provides guidance.~~

K. ~~√Team leads send Council changes from June meeting to Team. June 19th~~

L. ~~√IPT Conference call June 24th 10 AM~~

M. ~~√Team sections due by August 10, 2010~~

N. ~~√IPT Conference Call to discuss years of data to use in amendment. August 30, 2010.~~

O. ~~√September 13-17, 2010 Council meeting. Council reviews Draft Amendment and chooses preferred alternatives.~~

P. ~~√Add alternatives as directed by Council:~~

a. ~~√Snapper Grouper—Nik M.~~

b. ~~√Dolphin Wahoo & Golden Crab—Gregg~~

c. ~~√Sargassum—Gregg/Roger~~

- Q. ~~√October 7, 2010 @ 1:30 pm IPT Conference call to discuss changes from Sept. 2010 Council meeting.~~
- R. ~~√IPT work on species groupings and develop range of alternatives for the Council's evaluation in December.~~
- S. ~~√December 5-10, 2010 Council meeting. Council reviews Amendment and approves for public hearings.~~
- T. ~~Motions and document sent to Team on Dec 15, 2010~~
- U. ~~Team conference call Dec 16, 2010~~

2011 ACTIVITIES:

- A. √Sections due to Team leads by January 10, 2011.
- B. √Document and summary ready for distribution and posting on web by Jan 14, 2011.
- C. √Public hearings in January/February 2011 – see XI. Public Hearings and Scoping Meetings. Public hearing comment period: January 12 – February 14, 2011.
- D. √March 7-11, 2011 Council meeting. Council reviews public hearing comments and approves all actions.
- E. √DEIS comment period June 17 – August 1, 2011.
- F. ~~June 13-17, 2011 Council meeting. Council to review DEIS comments and complete document; approves for formal review by Secretary of Commerce.~~ DEIS comment period did not end prior to June meeting so the Council will review the DEIS comments as a special one-day meeting on August 9, 2011.
- G. √August 9, 2011 Council meeting – Council to review DEIS comments and approve Comp ACL Amendment for formal review and implementation.
- H. Document preparation for formal review:
 - (1) √IPT completes document – issues identified that require Council guidance
 - (2) ~~Council chair reviews document & proposed rule~~
 - (3) ~~Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule~~
 - (4) Corrections made by _____
- I. √September 12-16, 2011 Council meeting – Council to provide guidance on issues identified and approve Comp ACL Amendment/EIS
- J. √Document preparation for formal review:
 - (1) √IPT completes document by October 4, 2011. Done 9/26/11.
 - (2) Council chair reviews document & proposed rule by October 7, 2011
 - (3) Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule by October 7, 2011
 - (4) Corrections made by October 12, 2011
- K. √Send Comp ACL Amendment/FEIS/Proposed rule for formal review – ~~August 19, 2011.~~ October 13, 2011. Done 10/14/11.
- L. √NMFS Declares Transmit Date as 10/18/11.
- M. √Notice of Availability of Comp ACL Amendment published 10/20/11.
 - (1) Comments due no later than 5 pm EST on 12/19/11.
 - (2) Send to Council, AP & SSC
 - (3) Post to website; Fishery Bulletin will be posted to website.
 - (4) Amendment approved on 1/18/12.
- N. √Proposed Rule published 12/1/11.
 - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC

- b. Comments due by 12/19/11.
- O. √Amended Proposed Rule published 12/30/12; comments due by 1/17/12.
- P. Final Rule published 3/16/12.
- Q. Send to Council, AP & SSC

AT THE JUNE 2012 COUNCIL MEETING THE COUNCIL DIRECTED STAFF TO BEGIN DEVELOPMENT OF A FRAMEWORK AMENDMENT TO ADJUST ACLs ACCORDING TO THE MRIP/MRFSS CONVERSION FACTOR EXPECTED TO BE AVAILABLE IN SUMMER 2012. THE COUNCIL INDICATED THEY WOULD LIKE THE DOCUMENT TO BE READY FOR APPROVAL AT THE SEPTEMBER 2012 MEETING.

2. *Comprehensives ACL Amendment 2 - Myra*

- A. NMFS Updates ACL database and recalculates existing allocations based on MRIP data – June 2012 Council meeting; now scheduled for September meeting.
- B. June 2012 Council meeting – discuss approach; now scheduled for December meeting. Schedule presentation by Stephen Holiman, NMFS SERO Economist, on using economic data for allocations at the December 2012 meeting.
- C. December 2012 Council meeting – begin discussing alternatives

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 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
- W. √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

<p><u>January 24, 2012</u> Crowne Plaza 4831 Tanger Outlet Blvd. North Charleston, SC 29418 Phone: 843-744-4422</p>	<p><u>January 31, 2012</u> Hilton Cocoa Beach 1550 North Atlantic Ave. Cocoa Beach, FL 32931 321-799-0003</p>
<p><u>January 26, 2012</u> BridgePointe Hotel & Marina 101 Howell Road New Bern, NC 28562 Phone: 252-636-3637</p>	<p><u>February 1, 2012</u> Crowne Plaza Jacksonville Riverfront 1201 Riverplace Boulevard Jacksonville, FL 32207 Phone: 904-398-8800</p>
<p><u>January 30, 2012</u> Hilton Key Largo Resort 97000 Overseas Highway Key Largo, FL 33037 Phone: 305-852-5553</p>	<p><u>February 2, 2012</u> Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum 175 Bourne Avenue Pooler, GA 31322 Phone: 912-748-8888</p>

- (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
- (7) Public Hearing Presentation

- M. ✓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.
- N. ✓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
- O. 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.
- P. 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?
- Q. Review final document and approve for formal review by Secretary of Commerce – September 10-14, 2012 Council meeting.
- R. Document preparation for formal review:
 - (1) IPT completes document
 - (2) Council chair reviews document & proposed rule
 - (3) Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule
 - (4) Corrections made by _____
- S. Send Golden Crab Amendment 6/EA/Proposed rule for formal review – April/May 2012. Done _____.
- T. NMFS Declares Transmit Date as _____/12.
- U. Final Review and Implementation:
 - (1) Notice of Availability of Amendment 10 published _____/12.
 - (2) Comments due no later than 5 pm EST on _____/12.
 - (3) Send to Council, AP & SSC
 - (4) Post to website; Fishery Bulletin will be posted to website.
 - (5) Amendment approved on _____/12.
- R. Proposed Rule published _____/12.
 - (1) Send to Council, AP & SSC
 - (2) Comments due by _____/12.
- S. Final Rule published _____/12.
 - (1) Send to Council, AP & SSC
 - (2) Post to websites

VIII. JOINT GMFMC/SAFMC GENERIC DEALER AMENDMENT

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: Same as Joint Mackerel Amendment 19 & 20 CE-BA 3:

- 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
- E. Public hearings in August
- F. Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in September

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).

IX. SCIENTIFIC & STATISTICAL COMMITTEE

1. Socio-Economic Sub-Group – Kari MacLauchlin/Brian Chevront/John Carmichael

- A. Group to meet October 22, 2012 from 1-5 p.m.
 - (1) Notice sent to participants –
 - (2) Hotel arrangements
 - (3) FR notice – John via Kim
 - (4) Briefing materials sent by _____ – John/Kate/Brian
- B. Review:
 - (1) Boyle’s Law
 - (2) Allocations and Technical Memo
 - (3) Mackerel bag limit analyses
 - (4) SG Amendment 22 transferability aspects of tags

√2. SSC Spring 2012 Meeting

- A. Group to meet April 3 (1 pm) – 5 (3 pm), 2012 in Hilton DeSoto, Savannah, GA
 - (1) Notice sent to participants – 1/11/12 John
 - (2) √Hotel arrangements – Cindy; request submitted 8/29
 - (3) FR notice – Kim/John by 2/8/12
 - (4) Briefing materials sent by 3/20/12 – John
- B. Review:
 - (1) Draft CEBA 3
 - (2) MRAG Presentation on Developing Fishery Monitoring Guiding Principles – Bob Trumple
 - (3) SAFMC Research and Monitoring Plan
 - (4) ABC’s and 2011 landings
 - (5) Recommendations on assessment for red snapper in 2013?
 - (6) Speckled hind/Warsaw grouper analyses from SERO
 - i. Presentation by Nick Farmer
 - ii. Recommendations to Council
 - (7) Others?

3. SSC August 2012 Meeting and ORCS Workshop

- A. Meeting Arrangements
 - (1) Notice sent to participants –
 - (2) Hotel arrangements
 - (3) FR notice – John via Kim
 - (4) Briefing materials sent by _____ – John/Kate/Brian
- B. Review:
 - (1) Shrimp Amendment 9
 - (2) ORCS application Workshop

4. *SSC Fall 2012 Meeting*

- A. Group to meet October 23 (9 am) – 25 (3 pm), 2012 in Crown Plaza, North Charleston, SC
- (1) Notice sent to participants – 7/13/12 John
 - (2) Hotel arrangements – Cindy; request submitted 8/29; done 12/13/2011
 - (3) FR notice – Kim/John by 8/15 /12
 - (4) Briefing materials sent by 10/5/12 – John
- B. Review:
- (1) SEDAR Updates (Vermilion Snapper & Red Porgy) (SEFSC Presenters)
 - (2) CEBA-3/EA – final review if not already submitted
 - (3) CMP 19 & 20 & Framework
 - (4) SnapGrp 22
 - (5) update ABC/ACL reg action?
 - (6) Research Plan - Develop criteria for determining primary and secondary stocks. Develop scoring metrics to prioritize stocks.
 - (7) Report - April FishSmart workshop on Discard mortality (by SSC Reps to workshop)
 - (8) SEFSC analytical plans for red snapper - report due 2013: SSC establish TORs (SEFSC Presenters)
 - (9) SEFSC plans for black sea bass - updated projections address SSC needs? Set TORs (SEFSC Presenters)
 - (10) Recommend ABCs based on ORCS revised control rule
 - (11) REVIEW SAFE report
 - (12) REVIEW BSB and recommend P-Star and Prebuild (from June Council)
 - (13) Shrimp - assessment possibilities. Rick Hart of SEFSC. 2013 updates - TORS (snowy, gag? red grouper?)
 - (14) 2013 benchmark - TORS (blueline tilefish, gray triggerfish, hogfish, King mackerel)

5. *SSC Conference Call – as needed*

- A. Group to meet _____ via conference call.
- (i) Notice sent to participants – _____; John
 - (ii) Reserve conference line
 - (iii) FR notice – Kim
 - (iv) Briefing materials sent by _____ – John
- B. Review SG Regulatory Amendment 13

X. 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.

1. Scoping Meetings in Jan/Feb 2012 – 4-7 pm

- A. √MSA Scoping meetings for CE-BA 3. To be held late January/early February. Written comments (1/13-2/15) due on or before 5 pm on February 15, 2012.
- B. √Shrimp Amendment 9. To be held late January/early February. Written comments (1/13-2/15) due on or before 5 pm on February 15, 2012.

2. Public Hearings in Jan/Feb 2012– 4-7 pm

- A. √Golden Crab Amendment 6 (Catch Shares) – Brian
- B. √Snapper Grouper Amendment 18B (Golden Tilefish) – Myra
- C. √Spiny Lobster Amendment 11 (Area Closures for coral and rope marking) – Kari (SAFMC) – just Key Largo
- D. √Written comments due on or before 5 pm on February 15, 2012.

3. Dates and Locations for Jan/Feb 2012

- A. √Dates and locations:

<p><u>January 24, 2012</u> Crowne Plaza 4831 Tanger Outlet Blvd. North Charleston, SC 29418 Phone: 843-744-4422</p>	<p><u>January 31, 2012</u> Hilton Cocoa Beach 1550 North Atlantic Ave. Cocoa Beach, FL 32931 321-799-0003</p>
<p><u>January 26, 2012</u> BridgePointe Hotel & Marina 101 Howell Road New Bern, NC 28562 Phone: 252-636-3637</p>	<p><u>February 1, 2012</u> Crowne Plaza Jacksonville Riverfront 1201 Riverplace Boulevard Jacksonville, FL 32207 Phone: 904-398-8800</p>
<p><u>January 30, 2012</u> Hilton Key Largo Resort 97000 Overseas Highway Key Largo, FL 33037 Phone: 305-852-5553</p>	<p><u>February 2, 2012</u> Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum 175 Bourne Avenue Pooler, GA 31322 Phone: 912-748-8888</p>

- √B. Rooms Needed – large area plus 3 rooms (1 recording and 2 for tech. presentations)
 - i. General area (large) – sign-in and get information; SEDAR/SSC/Science table; Ecosystem/habitat table
 - ii. Room #1 – Council member & recording for public input
 - iii. Room #2 – Scoping CEBA 3 (Anna), Shrimp Amendment 9 (Kari/Anna) & Snapper Grouper Amendment 18B (Myra)
 - iv. Room #3 – Golden Crab Amendment 6 (Brian) & Spiny Lobster Amendment 11 in Key Largo (Kari)
- C. √Federal Register Notice
 - a. NOI documents filed – done; comment period is 1/13 through 5 pm on 2/15.
 - b. Kim to publish notice – done; _____
- D. √Document preparation
 - a. Scoping – use existing documents with “SCOPING DOCUMENT” added on cover page. Use scoping document format for Amendment 22 (Red Snapper).
 - b. Public Hearings – use public hearing version of document and summary.
 - c. Documents available and posted on web site by 1/13/12.
- E. √Staff attending – Myra, Anna, Roger, Kari & Brian all sites; John NC, Charleston & Pooler; Mike E. Charleston, Pooler & FL. Mike C.? Administrative & I&E?
- F. √Council chairs
 - a. NC – Michelle (chair) & Mac attending
 - b. SC – Robert (chair)
 - c. GA – Doug (chair) & Charlie attending
 - d. Jacksonville/Cocoa Beach – Ben (chair)
 - e. Key Largo – Ben (chair)/John

4. Dates and Locations for August 2012

- A. Dates and locations:
 Spiny Lobster season opens on August 6th so Key Largo hearing held on August 9th.
Public hearings will be held from 4-7 pm

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

- B. Amendments:
 - 1. CE-BA 3 – data collection items only which now include VMS
 - 2. Shrimp Amendment 9
 - 3. Joint SA/GM Dealer Permit
 - 4. MPA Workshops in NC & FL
 - 5. Informal Discussions with Fishermen/Public:
 - a. Joint SA/GM Mackerel Amendment 19
 - b. Joint SA/GM Mackerel Amendment 20
 - c. South Atlantic Framework for Atlantic King Mackerel
- 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 – Shrimp Amendment 9 (Anna) & Mackerel Discussions (3FL & NC) (Kari)
 - 4. Room #3 – Speckled Hind/Warsaw MPA Workshops (Myra) – 3 FL & NC
Mackerel Discussions – GA & SC
 - 5. Room #4 – Dealer Amendment; and Data items in CE-BA 3 (including bycatch)
(Brian)
- D. Federal Register Notice
 - a. NOI documents filed –
 - b. Kim to 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 7/27/12.
 - b. Documents available and posted on web site by 7/27/12.
 - c. Comments due by 5 pm on August 20, 2012.
 - d. Email addresses:
 - i. ShrimpAmend9PHComments@safmc.net
 - ii. CEBA3PHComments@safmc.net
 - iii. MPAWorkshopComments@safmc.net
 - iv. JointDealerAmendPHComments@safmc.net
 - v. MackerelComments@safmc.net
 - vi. Others?
 - e. Presentations done by 8/2/12.
- F. Staff attending – Myra (NC & FL); Anna, Kari & Brian all sites; Julie (Administrative) & Kim (I&E) all sites.
- G. Council chairs –
 - a. NC – Michelle (chair); Anna Beckwith & Tom Burgess attending
 - b. SC – Tom (chair); Mel and David attending
 - c. GA – Doug (chair); Charlie attending
 - d. Jacksonville/Cocoa Beach – Ben (chair)
 - e. Key Largo – Ben (chair)

5. Dates and Locations for January 2013

A. Dates and locations:

Scoping/Hearings from 4-7 pm DRAFT

<p><u>January 22, 2013</u> Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum 175 Bourne Avenue Pooler, GA 31322 Phone: 912-748-8888</p>	<p><u>January 23, 2013</u> Crowne Plaza 4831 Tanger Outlet Blvd. North Charleston, SC 29418 Phone: 843-744-4422</p>
<p><u>January 24, 2013</u> Hilton New Bern/Riverfront 100 Middle Street New Bern, NC 28560 Phone: 252-638-3585</p>	<p><u>January 28, 2013</u> Crowne Plaza Jacksonville Riverfront 1201 Riverplace Boulevard Jacksonville, FL 32207 Phone: 904-398-8800</p>
<p><u>January 29, 2013</u> Hilton Cocoa Beach 1550 North Atlantic Ave. Cocoa Beach, FL 32931 321-799-0003</p>	<p><u>January 30, 2013</u> Hilton Key Largo Resort 97000 Overseas Highway Key Largo, FL 33037 Phone: 305-852-5553</p>

B. Amendments:

1. CE-BA 4 – scoping or public hearings
2. Joint SA/GM Mackerel Amendment 19 – public hearing
3. Joint SA/GM Mackerel Amendment 20 – public hearing
4. South Atlantic Framework for Atlantic King Mackerel – public hearing if not completed
5. Comprehensive ACL Amendment 2 – scoping
6. Snapper Grouper Amendment 22 – public hearing
7. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 14?

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 –
4. Room #3 –
5. Room #4 –

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, 20123.
- d. Email addresses:
 - i.

- ii. Others?
 - e. Presentations done by 1/17/13.
- F. Staff attending – Myra, Anna, Kari & Brian all sites; Julie (Administrative) & Kim (I&E) all sites.
- G. Council chairs – planned but not 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)

XI. FUTURE COUNCIL MEETING DATES & LOCATIONS

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

- A. March 5-9, 2012 – Savannah, Georgia
Savannah Hilton DeSoto
15 East Liberty Street
Savannah, GA 31401
Phone: 1-877-280-0751 or 912-232-9000/Fax: 912-231-1633
- B. June 11-15, 2012 – Orlando, Florida
Renaissance Orlando Airport Hotel
5445 Forbes Place
Orlando, FL 32812
Phone: 1-800-545-1985 or 407-240-1000/Fax: 407-240-1005
- C. September 10-14, 2012 – Charleston, South Carolina
The Charleston Marriott Hotel
170 Lockwood Boulevard
Charleston, SC 29403
Phone: 1-800-968-3569 or 843-723-3000/Fax: 843-723-0276
- D. December 3-7, 2012 – Atlantic Beach, North Carolina
Hilton Wilmington Riverside
301 N. Water Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
Phone: 1-800-445-8667 or 910-763-5900/Fax: 910-343-6124
- E. March 4-8, 2013 – St. Simons Island, Georgia
Sea Palms Resort & Conference Center
5445 Frederica Road
St. Simons Island, GA 31522
Phone: 1-800-841-6268 or 912-638-3351/Fax: 912-638-5416
- F. 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
- G. 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
- H. 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

XII. SPECIFIC ITEMS FROM JUNE COUNCIL MEETING

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

A. Snapper Grouper – Myra

- a. Send a letter to the Gulf Council and the NMFS requesting the formation of an Ad Hoc joint committee (SA and Gulf councils) to consider the development of a joint management plan for south Florida fisheries. The Ad hoc committee would also discuss with the state of Florida delegation of management for some species to the state of Florida.
- b. Send a letter to the Mid Atlantic Council and the NMFS requesting the formation of an Ad Hoc joint committee (SA and Mid Atlantic Councils) to consider the development of a joint management plan for North Carolina fisheries. The Ad hoc committee would also discuss with the state of NC delegation of management for some species to the state of NC.
- c. Provide an update to the Council every 3 years on the landings and trends of stocks that have been removed from the Snapper Grouper FMU. (Immediate action not required)

March 2012 Meeting:

- a. Letter requesting emergency rule to delay opening of commercial black sea bass season – Brian to draft; send asap. Done _____
- b. MPA Workshops – hold 1 on 4/18 during SG AP meeting in Charleston; rest after June meeting.
- c. MPA Expert Workgroup – hold during week of May 14th. Looking at May 16-17, 2012 in Savannah/Pooler, GA area. Stream on internet and record.

June 2012 Meeting: none

B. Ecosystem-Based Management/Habitat – Anna/Roger UPDATE

- a. Convene a joint meeting of the Deepwater Shrimp and Coral APs, and representatives from the Habitat and LE AP to discuss Coral HAPC measures for CE-BA 4 (Sept/Oct 2012)
- √b. Submit letter to FWC recommending protection of Acropora spp. in FL state waters – DONE

C. Golden Crab – Brian

- a. Hold meeting with golden crab permit holders.

D. Mackerel – Kari

- a. Work with Gulf Council staff to schedule a joint mackerel committee meeting.

E. Dolphin Wahoo – Brian

- 1.

F. Shrimp – Anna

- a. Get input from SSC on Shrimp Amendment 9 before the September meeting (August 1st)

G. Law Enforcement - Myra

1. LE Officer of the Year award.

H. SEDAR – John

1. consider Steering Committee Conference call to discuss schedule changes recommended by SAFMC
2. Investigate possibility of black sea bass update in 2013 (can life history work be completed)
3. Invite AP Chairs to SSC ORCS Workshop
4. Send res plan to NMFS

I. SSC Selection - John

1. Send letters of appointment and thanks to appointees and applicants
2. provide notice to public that SSC comment process will change as of the next meeting.
 - a. Public comment periods will be specified on the SSC agenda.
 - b. Written comment shall be provided to the Council office within 1 week of the SSC meeting

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. Send final committee report to IPT leads – done 6/15/12.
2. Letter to SEFSC requesting presentation on data by species from ongoing bycatch monitoring.

M. Full Council – Bob

1.

XIII. September 10-14, 2012 COUNCIL MEETING

The Charleston Marriott Hotel
170 Lockwood Boulevard
Charleston, SC 29403
Phone: 1-800-968-3569 or 843-723-3000/Fax: 843-723-0276

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4. INFORMATION ON SHARED VOLUME AND READY FOR CD BURNING/HARD COPYING BY 8/21/2012 AT NOON
5. EMAIL COUNCIL AGENDA AND OVERVIEW DOCUMENTS TO COUNCIL, NMFS & NOAA GC BY 8/21/2012.
6. BRIEFING BOOK CDs MAILED (**VIA OVERNIGHT**) BY 8/23/2012.
7. SECOND BRIEFING BOOK CD (All Final Items) – READY FOR BURNING/COPYING AT 9 A.M. AND MAILED (**OVERNIGHT**) ON 9/4/2012.

[_____ – 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

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A. Ecosystem-Based Management Committee (Anna/Roger) (TAB 1) – Monday 1:30 – 3:00 pm

- (1) Status of CEBA 3 – Anna
- (2) Review List of Items for CEBA 4 (2013) – Anna
 - a. Coral HAPCs & Transit Through Oculina HAPC
 - b. MPAs targeting speckled hind & warsaw grouper
 - c. Prohibition of Powerheads in EEZ off NC
 - d. Dolphin/Wahoo Framework, ABCs/ACLs & Allocations
 - e. Others???
 - f. Committee Action & Approve list – Committee Chair
- (3) Update on Ecosystem Activities – Anna Martin/Roger Pugliese, SAFMC Staff

- B. Shrimp Committee (Anna) (TAB 2) – Monday 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm**
- (1) Shrimp Amendment 9
 - a. Overview of Public Hearing Comments – Anna
 - b. Overview of Actions/Alternatives – Anna
 - c. Committee Action & Approve for formal review – Charlie Phillips
 - (2) Other items?
- C. Golden Crab Committee (Brian) (TAB 3) – Monday 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm**
- (1) Golden Crab Amendment 6
 - a. Results of Meeting with Permit Holders – Brian
 - b. Overview of Actions/Alternatives – Brian
 - c. Committee Action & Approve for formal review – David Cupka
 - (2) Other items?
- D. Snapper Grouper Committee Meeting (Myra) (TAB 4) – Tuesday 8:30 am – 5:30 pm**
- (1) Oculina Monitoring Reports
 - (2) Status of Commercial Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs – NMFS SERO
 - (3) Status of Recreational Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs – NMFS SEFSC
 - (4) Committee Action as Necessary – SG Committee Chair
 - (5) Status of Amendments under Formal Review– NMFS SERO
 - a. Red Snapper Temporary Rule by Emergency Action
 - b. Regulatory Amendment 12/EA (Golden Tilefish ACL Adjustment)
 - c. Resubmittal of Action 4 in Amendment 18A
 - d. Amendment 20A/EA (Wreckfish ITQ)
 - e. Amendment 18B/EA (Golden Tilefish)
 - (6) MPAs and HAPCs for Speckled Hind & Warsaw Grouper
 - a. Overview of Public Workshops Input – Myra
 - b. Committee guidance to develop alternatives for inclusion in CE-BA 4
 - c. Committee Action
 - (7) Regulatory Amendment 13 (Adjustment of Snapper Grouper ACLs)
 - a. Overview – Myra
 - b. Committee approve for formal review – SG Committee Chair
 - (8) Snapper Grouper Amendment 22 (Red Snapper Tag Program)
 - a. Overview – Myra
 - b. Committee guidance on actions/alternatives
 - (9) Regulatory Amendment 14 (mutton snapper, greater amberjack, gray triggerfish, BSB, vermilion snapper)
 - a. Overview of management history and current regulations for each species – Myra
 - b. Committee guidance on timing and actions to move forward – SG Committee Chair
 - c. Approve for scoping in Jan/Feb 2013?

E. Ad Hoc Data Collection Committee (Gregg) (TAB 5) – Wednesday 8:30 – 12:00 noon

- ~~(1) Fisheries Monitoring Principles – Bob Trumble, MRAG Americas~~
(1) NMFS Presentation on Results from current Bycatch Monitoring
(2) Joint SA/GM Generic Dealer Permit
a. Overview of Public Hearing Comments – Brian
b. Overview of Actions/Alternatives – Gregg
c. Committee Action & Approve for formal review – Michelle Duval
(3) Commercial Vessel, For-Hire Vessel, & Discard Reporting Actions for CE-BA 3
a. Overview of Public Hearing Comments – Brian
b. Overview of Actions/Alternatives – Gregg
c. Committee Action & Approve for formal review – Michelle Duval
(4) Others?

F. Mackerel Committee (Kari) (TAB 6) – Wednesday 1:30 – 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 – provide guidance
a. Overview of Actions/Alternatives – Kari
b. Committee Action & Approve for public hearings – Ben Hartig
(4) Joint SA/GM Mackerel Amendment 20 – provide guidance
a. Overview of Actions/Alternatives – Kari
b. Committee Action & Approve for public hearings – Ben Hartig
(5) South Atlantic Mackerel Framework – input for staff/IPT
(6) Other items?

G. Advisory Panel Selection Committee (Kim) (TAB 7) – Thursday 8:30 am – 9:30 am; CLOSED

- (1) Review AP applicants
(2) Action as Necessary – Chair
(3) Other items?

H. SEDAR (John) (TAB 8) – Thursday 9:30 am – 10:30 am

- (1) SEDAR Activities
(2) Appointments for SEDAR 32 (Gray Triggerfish & Blueline Tilefish)
(3) Results from SEDAR Steering Committee Meeting – David Cupka
(4) Guidance for SEDAR Steering Committee Representatives

I. Executive/Finance (Bob/Mike) (TAB 9) – Friday 10:30 am – 12:00 noon

- (1) Budget
(2) 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) – Thursday 1:30 – 5:00 pm

I. Presentations - ????

1. What do we want our ecosystem to look like? Presentation by Rick Robins (MAFMC) on process being used in Mid-Atlantic
2. Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award

II. Final Council Action and Comment:

- (1) Shrimp Amendment 9
- (2) Golden Crab Amendmdent 6
- (3) Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 13
- (4) CE-BA 3 (Data Collection)
- (5) Joint Dealer Amendment

III. Committee Reports & Other Items

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

- A. Ecosystem Committee Report (TAB 1) – ACTION
- B. Shrimp Committee Report (TAB 2) – ACTION
- C. Golden Crab Committee Report (TAB 3) – ACTION
- D. Snapper Grouper Committee Report (TAB 4) – ACTION
- E. Ad Hoc Data Collection Committee Report (TAB 5) – ACTION
- F. Mackerel Committee Report (TAB 6) – ACTION
- G. AP Selection Committee Report (TAB 7) – ACTION
- H. SEDAR 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 8/20/2012 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
 - (c) Other issues?
- K. NMFS SEFSC Presentations - (material is to be provided to the SAFMC office by noon on 8/20/2012 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

XIV. December 3-7, 2012 – Charleston - DRAFT

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301 N. Water Street
Wilmington, NC 28401
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Done _____.

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 - a. Coral HAPCs & Transit Through Oculina HAPC
 - b. MPAs targeting speckled hind & warsaw grouper
 - c. Prohibition of Powerheads in EEZ off NC
 - d. Dolphin/Wahoo Framework & Allocations
 - e. Others???
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- (4) Update on Ecosystem Activities – Anna Martin/Roger Pugliese, SAFMC Staff

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 - a. Overview of IPT Recommendations – Myra
 - b. Committee guidance to develop alternatives for inclusion in CE-BA 4
 - c. Committee Action
 - (7) Snapper Grouper Amendment 22 (Red Snapper Tag Program)
 - a. Overview – Myra
 - b. Committee guidance on actions/alternatives and approval for hearings
 - (8) Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 14
 - (9) Comprehensive ACL Amendment 2
- D. Ad Hoc Data Collection Committee (Gregg) (TAB 4) – Wednesday 8:30 – 9:30 am**
- (1) Status of Joint SA/GM Generic Dealer Permit – NMFS SERO
 - (2) Status of CE-BA 3 – NMFS SERO
 - (2) Others?
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 - (3) Joint SA/GM Mackerel Amendment 19 – Approve for Public Hearings
 - a. Overview of Actions/Alternatives – Kari
 - b. Committee Action & Approve for public hearings – Ben Hartig
 - (4) Joint SA/GM Mackerel Amendment 20 – Approve for Public Hearings
 - a. Overview of Actions/Alternatives – Kari
 - b. Committee Action & Approve for public hearings – Ben Hartig

- (5) South Atlantic Mackerel Framework – Approve for Formal Review
 - a. Overview of Actions/Alternatives – Kari
 - b. Committee Action & Approve for formal review – Ben Hartig

(6) Other items?

F. Law Enforcement Committee (Myra) (TAB 6) – Thursday 8:30 am – 9:30 am

- (1) Advisory Panel Report
- (2) Action as Necessary – Chair
- (3) Other items?

G. SEDAR (John) (TAB 7) – Thursday 9:30 am – 10:30 am

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I. Presentations - ????

- 1. What do we want our ecosystem to look like? Presentation by Rick Robins (MAFMC) on process being used in Mid-Atlantic

II. Final Council Action and Comment:

- (1) Mackerel Framework
- (2) Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 14?

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 - (c) Status of Recreational Catches versus ACLs
- K. Review Experimental Fishing Permits as necessary – ACTION

XV. 2012 PRIORITIES & TIMING

-----JUNE 2012 STATUTORY DEADLINE-----

√1. Amendment 24/EIS (Red Grouper) - Myra

[Start 6/10 notification; Final Council action 12/2011 to meet statutory deadline.]

[Note: At September 2010 meeting, Council moved black grouper to the Comprehensive ACL Amendment.]

- √A. Council notified red group is undergoing overfishing and is overfished; two years to prepare and implement a plan amendment or proposed regulations; letter dated June 9, 2010.
- √B. Assign Team – done October 2010.
- √C. Team Conference Call – TBD
- √D. SERO to request additional red grouper rebuilding projections – requested 7/12/10 and received on 9/3/10.
- E. √Team SECTIONS due to Team leads by _____ COB.
- F. √December 2010 – Council approve for scoping.
- G. √Scoping – January/February 2011
- H. √Review and Provide Guidance – March 2011
- I. √Review, Provide Guidance and Approve for Public Hearings – June 2011
- J. √Public Hearings – August 22-25, 2011
- K. √Public Hearings – November/September 2011
NMFS DEIS Comment Period to end prior to December 5, 2011
- L. √Final Council approval for formal review by Secretary of Commerce – December 2011.
- M. √Sent to Secretary of Commerce – 12/14/11
- N. √Final regulations effective by June 9, 2012. Final rule published on 6/11/12 and regulations effective July 11, 2012.

-----NO STATUTORY DEADLINE-----

2. *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.

3. Regulatory Amendment 12 (Golden Tilefish) – Gregg

- A. ✓Public Hearings on Amendment 18B – January/February 2012
- B. ✓Public Hearing – March 8, 2012 in Savannah, GA
- C. ✓March 5-9, 2012 in Savannah, GA – review public hearing comments, modify & approve for formal review
- D. ✓Send to Secretary of Commerce 5/2/12
- E. Final regulations effective _____

4. Regulatory Amendment 13/CE (Technical Adjustment to Allocations & ACLs) – Myra

- A. ✓Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at June meeting
- B. Council review at September meeting
- C. Public comment at September meeting
- D. Council final approval at September meeting
- E. Send to Secretary of Commerce _____
- F. Final regulations effective _____

5. Comp ACL/Allocation Amendment 2 – Myra

- A. NMFS Updates ACL database and recalculates existing allocations based on MRIP data – June 2012 Council meeting; now scheduled for September meeting.
- B. June 2012 Council meeting – discuss approach; now scheduled for December meeting. Schedule presentation by Stephen Holiman, NMFS SERO Economist, on using economic data for allocations at the December 2012 meeting.
- C. December 2012 Council meeting – begin discussing alternatives

6. 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.
- L. Send to Secretary of Commerce _____.
- M. Final regulations implemented _____.

7. *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 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.

8. *Snapper Grouper Amendment 18/18A/18B – Myra/Brian*

[Note: At the December 2008 meeting, the Council directed staff to scope items for Amendment 18 including LAPP related issues.]

[Note: At the June 2009 meeting, the Council split the Wreckfish ITQ Program into Amendment 20.]

[Note: At the September 2009 meeting, the Council split the amendment into Amendment 18A (all items other than 2 action in 18B) and Amendment 18B (extension of FMU & EFH). NMFS & NOAA GC to determine whether 18B is required because 18A is not under a statutory deadline. NMFS/NOAA GC advised the Council in December 2010 that Amendment 18B is not needed, so there is no statutory deadline for Amendment 18A.]

[Note: The numbering was change to have the extension of FMU moved to 18B and the remaining items to 18A.]

[Note: At the June 2011 meeting, the Council split Amendment 18A into 18A & 18B. The old 18B becomes 18C.]

- A. √Scoping – January/February 2009.
- B. √Review scoping comments, LAPP Working Group recommendations, and options – March & June 2009.
- C. √Public hearings were held in November 2009 and comments reviewed in December 2009. Guidance was provided to staff.
- D. √Review Amendment and provide guidance at March 2010 meeting.
- E. √Review Amendment and approve for 2nd round of public hearings. Amendment 18A approved for public hearings at September 2010 meeting.
- F. √Public hearings – October/November 2010

- G. √Review public comments and approve final actions in Amendment 18A at December 2010 meeting. The Council added new alternatives and did not approve the final actions.
- H. √Review Amendment 18A in March or June 2011.
- I. √Review complete Amendment 18A document and approve for formal review by Secretary of Commerce – June or September or December 2011.
- J. √Send Amendment 18A to Secretary of Commerce for formal review – October 2011 or January 2012.
- K. Regulations effective by 7/1/12.

COUNCIL PROVIDED GUIDANCE ON TIMING AT THE AUGUST & SEPTEMBER 2012 COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Amendment 18A (Black Sea Bass & Data Collection)

- A. √September 12-16, 2011 in Charleston, SC – review, modify & approve for public hearings
- B. √December 5-9, 2011 in Raleigh, NC – review, modify & approve for formal review
- C. √Send to Secretary of Commerce for formal review – January 5, 2012.
- D. Final regulations effective 7/1/12.

Resubmittal of Action 4 (Transferability of Black Sea Bass Endorsements) in Amendment 18A – Brian

- A. √Council provides guidance at March 5-9, 2012 meeting.
- B. √Staff/IPT prepare resubmittal document by 5/8/12.
- C. √Council reviews and approves for formal review at June 11-15, 2012 meeting.
- D. Send to Secretary of Commerce for formal review by 6/22/12.
- E. Final regulations effective _____.

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 _____.
- F. Final regulations effective by 1/1/2013.

9. *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
- E. Public hearings in August
- F. Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in September

10. *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 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.

11. *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
- E. Public hearings in August
- F. Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in September

12. *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.

13. 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

- A. Proposed timing – goal is to implement for 2013 fishing year.
- B. Appoint IPT Team members
- C. NMFS determines EA or EIS
- D. Options Paper for September 2012 Council meeting.
- E. Council provides guidance at September 2012 Council meeting
- F. Council chooses preferreds and approve for public hearings at December 2012 Council meeting
- G. Public hearings to be held in January/February 2013
- H. Approve for formal review at March 2013 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.

14. Regulatory Amendment 14/EA or EIS - 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. Grey 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
- C. AP & SSC reviews in October?
- D. Council Approves for public hearings at December meeting
- E. Public hearings January/February 2013
- F. Public comment at March 2013 meeting
- G. Council final approval at March 2013 meeting
- H. Send to Secretary of Commerce March 29, 2013
- I. Final regulations effective _____

15. Mackerel Regulatory Amendment XX/CE (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. Send to Secretary of Commerce _____
- G. Final regulations effective _____

16. Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment 4 - Anna

- A. Timing:
 - a. Scoping – January/February 2013
 - b. Public Hearings – August 2013
 - c. Final Approval – September 2013
- B. Items to be included:
 - a. Coral HAPCs & Transit Through Oculina HAPC
 - b. MPA's targeting speckled hind & warsaw grouper
 - c. Prohibition of Powerheads in EEZ off NC
 - d. Other Issues not previously scoped in 2012?
 - i. Dolphin/Wahoo Framework & Allocations
 - ii. Others?