

VERSION #5 SAFMC/NMFS SERO REGIONAL OPERATIONS SCHEDULES/DELIVERABLES

ACTIONS RESULTING FROM: JUNE 10-14, 2013 COUNCIL MEETING

TIMING:

 $\sqrt{\text{SAFMC}}$ Draft by: 6/18/13. Done 6/19/13.

√Distribute to NMFS SERO by: 6/19/13. Done 6/19/13.

√Approved by SAFMC & NMFS Staffs: 7/16/13.

 $\sqrt{\text{SAFMC}}$ Staff approved based on directions from Council at most recent meeting and review on 6/19/13.

 $\sqrt{\text{NMFS}}$ Staff approved based on internal review and resolution of questions raised. Done 7/11/13. 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:

 $\sqrt{\text{Draft by } 6/19/13}$. Done 6/19/13.

 $\sqrt{\text{Approved Version by } 6/28/13}$. Done 7/16/13.



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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. $\sqrt{\text{Anna}}$ and Kim to provide to Gregg by 2/8/13 for March 2013 meeting.
- b. $\sqrt{\text{Ann}}$ and Kim to provide to Gregg by 5/17/13 for June 2013 meeting.
- c. Anna and Kim to provide to Gregg by 8/23/13 for September 2013 meeting.
- d. Anna and Kim to provide to Gregg by 11/8/13 for December 2013 meeting.
- 3) Add Oculina LE to website with links to GC cases, press releases, VHF channel to report violations, etc. in report. (Kim). Done ______. Reports continue to be posted as they are received.
- 4) Oculina Evaluation Team to prepare OECA Evaluation Report in 2014. This report is a follow-up to the February 2007 Oculina Evaluation Team Report. The report is to provide an update on accomplishments addressing the following components as specified in Final Evaluation Plan for OECA:
 - a. Outreach
 - b. Research/Assessment
 - c. Law Enforcement

2. Amendment 21 Outcome of Visioning Trip Limits Amendment – Myra

(Vermilion snapper, golden tilefish, black sea bass, gag, greater amberjack, red grouper, and black grouper – trip limit actions, effort and participation reduction and endorsement actions, catch share program for quota species except snowy grouper. To include ITQ, cooperative, RFA, CDQ components, and regional or state by state quota analysis) Note: Trip limits for vermilion snapper, black sea bass, gag, and greater amberjack moved to Regulatory Amendment 9 at March 2010 Council meeting.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

AT THE JUNE 2013 MEETING, THE COUNCIL REQUESTED THE AMENDMENT BE MODIFIED TO REMOVE ALL REFERENCE TO SPECIFIC SPECIES AND MAKE AMENDMENT 22 MORE OF A FRAMEWORK FOR A TAG PROGRAM THAT COULD BE APPLIED TO ANY SNAPPER GROUPER SPECIES WITH A LOW RECREATIONAL ACL.

SG Amendment 22 IPT Team members:

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

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| Rough | Timing/Issues to be resolved: | |
| a. | $\sqrt{\text{IPT}}$ meeting – timeline and writing responsibilities; 6/27/12 | |
| b. | NMFS determines EA or EIS. | |
| c. √Options Paper for September 2012 Council meeting | | |
| | i. Expand to include snowy grouper, golden tilefish & wreckfish | |
| | ii. Others? | |
| d. | √Council provides guidance at September 2012 Council meeting – choose | |
| | preferreds if possible. | |
| e. | SSC Review in | |
| f. | Approve for public hearings at meeting | |

g. Council reviews public hearing comments and final approval at _____ h.

NOTE: Scoping meetings for a red snapper tag program were held in Jan-Feb 2011; based on scoping comments and the need for tracking other species, this was expanded to add golden tilefish, snowy grouper & wreckfish. A supplemental NOI will be published in the summer of 2013 to cover the expanded scope of the tag program in Amendment 22.

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

AT THE JUNE 2013 MEETING, THE COUNCIL ASKED TO SEE AN OPTIONS PAPER IN SEPTEMBER THAT WOULD ESTABLISH A GENERIC RECREATIONAL TAG PROGRAM FOR SPECIES WITH VERY LOW ACLs. THE COUNCIL REQUESTED REMOVING LANGUAGE FROM THE OPTIONS PAPER THAT WOULD SPECIFY A PARTICULAR SPECIES.

Timing 2013:

June Council meeting – options & provide guidance a.

Public hearings _____

September Council meeting – options & provide guidance b.

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

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

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

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

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

A. \sqrt{IPT} Members

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

| 13. VDocument preparation for formal review: | | iment preparation for formal review: |
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| | a. | Revisions and sections due to Kate and Myra — April 12 |
| | b. | Document to NOAA GC by 4/16 and edits due by 4/22 |
| | c. | Team leads finalize doc edits by 4/26 |
| | d. | D. Cupka and G. Waugh review by 5/2 |
| | e. | Document ready to be sent to NMFS by 5/4 |
| 14. | 14. $\sqrt{\text{SAFMC}}$ sends to NMFS for formal review by May 4, 2013. Done 5. | |
| 15. Notice of Availability of Amendment | | e of Availability of Amendment |
| | a. | Published in <i>Federal Register</i> on/13. |
| | b. | Comments due by/13. |
| 16. | Propo | sed Rule published/13. |
| | a. | Send to Council, AP & SSC |
| | b. | Comments due by/13. |
| 17. | Final 1 | Rule published/13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on |
| | | 13. |
| | a. | Send to Council, AP & SSC |
| | b. | Post to web site |
| 18. | Regul | ations effective . |

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

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

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

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

1. IPT Members

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

- √Myra revises document for 1st briefing book by November 13, 2012 at 9 am i.
- $\sqrt{11/19/12}$ COB Any editorial changes for 2nd BB version from IPT due. j.
- $\sqrt{\text{Myra}}$ revises document for 2nd briefing book by November 26, 2012 at 9 am. k.
- √SSC Review the SSC reviewed the approach during their October 23-25, 2012 4. meeting and their comments were presented to the Council at the December meeting.
 - a.
 - SSC review version of document available as of November 13, 2012. SSC comments included in 2nd briefing book on November 26, 2012 or b. emailed at meeting if SSC needs more time.
- 5. $\sqrt{\text{Snapper Grouper AP Review document } (11/26/12 \text{ version})}$ via mail with comments presented to Council at December meeting. Reviewed during their November 7-8, 2012 meeting and report presented to Council at the December meeting.
- 6. $\sqrt{\text{Council reviews and approves for final submission}}$ – December 2012.
- 7. √Document preparation for formal review: IPT leads request review completed by December 21, 2012. 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 e. Corrections made by December 12, 2012; changed to January 2013.
- 8. √SAFMC sends to NMFS for formal review by December 14, 2012; changed to January 2013. Done 1/24/13.
- \sqrt{NOA} of Amendment published March 12, 2013. 9. $\sqrt{\text{Comment period ends May 13, 2013.}}$
- $\sqrt{\text{Proposed Rule published 4/29/13}}$. 10.
 - (A) Send to Council, AP & SSC
 - (B) Comments due by 5/29/13.
- Final Rule published /13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on 11. _____ 13. (A) Send to Council, AP & SSC

 - (B) Post to web site
- Regulations effective ______. 12.

6. Amendment 29/EA or EIS? (Allocations & ORCS Revisions to Control Rule) - Myra

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

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

At the June 2013 meeting the Council made changes such that this amendment will address modifications to the ABC Control Rule based on the ORCS methodology and will implement ABC and ACLs for unassessed snapper grouper species based on those modifications. [Allocation action was moved to a Generic Allocation Amendment to be developed in 2014.]

AT THE JUNE 2013 MEETING, THE COUNCIL'S GUIDANCE WAS TO PREPARE A DRAFT AMENDMENT FOR THEM TO REVIEW IN SEPTEMBER 2013.

A. IPT Members

- a. √SAFMC Team: Myra Brouwer (SAFMC Lead), Brian Cheuvront, Kari MacLauchlin, Roger Pugliese, John Carmichael (SSC & Data), Mike Errigo (Data), and Anna Martin (Coral issues)
- b. NMFS SERO Team: Karla Gore (NMFS Lead) and Jack McGovern (Biologists, Sustainable Fisheries), Nick Farmer and Michael Larkin (Data Analysts, Sustainable Fisheries), Anne Marie Eich (Technical Writer), Denise Johnson (Economist), Christina Package (Social Scientist), Andrew Herndon and Adam Brame (Protected Resources), Otha Easley (Law Enforcement), David Keys (NEPA), and David Dale (Habitat Conservation).
- c. NMFS SEFSC Team: Kate Andrews and Jakob Tetzlaff (Biologists), Larry Perruso (Social Scientist).
- d. NOAA GC: Monica Smit-Brunello.
- B. Team Conference Call TBD.

C.

7. Amendment 30/EA (Vessel Monitoring System; VMS) - Gregg/Roger

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

NMFS WILL DETERMINE WHETHER EA OR EIS PRIOR TO MARCH 2013 COUNCIL MEETING AND AFTER THE MEETING (APRIL 1). NMFS DETERMINED THIS IS AN EA.

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

At the June 2013 meeting, the Council did not approve Amendment 30 for formal review and stopped development of any VMS requirement.

1. IPT Members

- a. √SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh & Roger Pugliese (SAFMC Co-Leads), Brian Cheuvront, Kari MacLauchlin, Myra Brouwer, Mike Errigo (data), and Anna Martin (Coral issues).
- b. VNMFS SERO Team: Rick DeVictor (NMFS Lead), Scott Sandorf (Reg. Writer), Christina Package (Anthropologist), Stephen Holiman (Economist), David Keys (NEPA), Adam Brame (Protected Resources), and Otha Easley (OLE).
- c. VNMFS SEFSC Team: Neil Baertlein (Biologist).
- d. √NOAA GC: Monica Smit-Brunello.
- VMS Presentations (pull minutes and presentations from last time, 2011??, Pat gave his presentation)
 - a. March 2013 Council meeting
 - b. April 2013 SG AP meeting
- 3. √Team Conference Call TBD in early January 2013.
- 4. √Document preparations for March 2013 meeting
 - a. VCreate separate document from CEBA-3 Gregg. Done by Rick DeVictor, SERO
 - b. √Distribute to IPT
 - c. √Comments back to Gregg and Rick by _____
 - d. √Document revised for 1st BB 2/9/13.
- 5. √Public input
 - a. VEmail address: SGAmend30Comments@safmc.net
- 6. √Approve for Public Hearings at the March 2013 Council meeting.
- 7. √Document preparation for public hearings:
 - a. √Staff (Gregg) revises summary and distributes to tech staff done 8/21/13
 - b. VSummary finalized by Amber and posted by COB 8/22/13
 - e. VStaff completes amendment document by March 22, 2013 and sends to Rick. Done 3/22/13.
 - d. √Rick completes quick review and distributes to IPT by COB 3/25/13.
 - e. VGregg completes any edits necessary before posting by COB 3/28/13.
 - f. √Public hearing version posted by COB 3/29/13.
- 8. \(\forall \text{Public Hearings} \text{April 15-25, 2013.} \) See Section XI. For details. Comments due by 5 pm on May 3, 2013.

| 9. — | $-\sqrt{AP}$ Review – April 23-25, 2013 (use public hearing version) |
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| 10. | → Document preparation for June meeting: |
| | a. IPT leads send revised amendment & SG Committee Final report to IPT |
| | by 3/25/13 |
| | b. IPT sections due to IPT leads – by COB 4/12/13 |
| | c. IPT leads finalize document – by 4/15/13 |
| | d. SEFSC/PPI/NOAA GC/IPT review April 16 – May 7 |
| | e. IPT leads finalize document by May 16, 2013 |
| 11. | |
| 11. Document preparation for formal review: | |
| | a. IPT leads request review completed by |
| | b. Staff/IPT completes document by |
| | c. Council chair reviews document & proposed rule by |
| | d. Comments from SERO and NOAA GC received on |
| | e. Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule |
| | by |
| | f. Corrections made by |
| | SAFMC sends to NMFS for formal review by Done/13. |
| 13. | Notice of Availability of Amendment |
| | a. Published in Federal Register on13. |
| | b. Comments due13. |
| 14. | 1 — 1 — ——— |
| | a. Send to Council, AP & SSC |
| | b. Comments due by/13. |
| 15. | Final Rule published/13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on |
| | 13. |
| | a. Send to Council, AP & SSC |
| | b. Post to web site |
| 16. | Regulations effective |

8. $\sqrt{Regulatory\ Amendment\ 13/EA}$ (Technical Adjustment to Recreational Data; results in changes to Allocations & ACLs) – Brian

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

- 6. √Council reviews and approves for final submission December 2012.
 7. √Document preparation for formal review:

 a. √Staff/IPT completes document by 11/16/12.
 b. Council chair reviews document & proposed rule by _______.
 c. Comments from SERO and NOAA GC received on ______.
 d. Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule by _______.
 e. Corrections made by December 12, 2012.

 8. √Council sends amendment for formal review on ______. Done December 17, 2012.
 9. √Proposed Rule published 3/21/13.

 (A) Send to Council, AP & SSC
 (B) Comments due by 4/22/13.

 10. √Final Rule published 6/17/13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on 6/17/13.

 (A) Send to Council, AP & SSC
- (B) Post to web site 11. Regulations effective 7/17/13.
- 12. ACLs updated on SERO website by date final rule is effective. Done 7/17/13.

9. Regulatory Amendment 14/EA - Myra

- A. √Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at June 2012 meeting:
 - a. Greater amberjack fishing year & reduce trip limit
 - b. Mutton snapper additional protection during spawning season
 - c. Gray triggerfish size limit & measurement (FL vs TL)
 - d. Black sea bass fishing year recreational and commercial
 - e. Vermilion snapper after the meeting suggested reduce trip limit
- B. √Council review and provides guidance at September meeting. The Council directed staff to bring options back to the Council at the March 2013 meeting.
- C. √At the September 2012 meeting, the Council directed staff/IPT to develop alternatives for the following items:
 - a. Greater amberjack fishing year & reduce trip limit
 - b. Mutton snapper additional protection during spawning season
 - c. Gray triggerfish change minimum size limit measurement from Total Length (TL) to Fork Length (FL), specify minimum size limit in federal waters of states in addition to Florida
 - d. Black sea bass fishing year recreational and commercial
 - e. Vermilion snapper modify commercial trip limit and recreational bag limit; adjust start of 2nd commercial season; modify recreational closed season
 - f. Hogfish increase the minimum size limit
 - g. Red porgy modify recreational bag limit and commercial head count
 - h. Modify aggregate grouper bag limit
 - i. New item: Black sea bass adjustments based on update assessment and new P* analyses.
 - j. New item: Vermilion snapper adjustments based on update assessment
 - k. New item: Red porgy adjustments based on update assessment
- D. $\sqrt{\text{At}}$ the September 2012 meeting, the Council approved the following schedule:
 - a. Council Approves for public hearings at June 2013 meeting
 - b. Public hearings August 2013
 - c. Public comment at September 2013 meeting
 - d. Council final approval at September 2013 meeting
 - e. Send to Secretary of Commerce September 27, 2013
 - f. Final regulations effective asap in the 2014 fishing year.
- E. √At the December 2012 meeting, the Council moving New Items j & k to Regulatory Amendment 18 and deleted item g. The Council also added AM adjustments to vermilion snapper and red porgy to Regulatory Amendment 14.
- F. At the March 2013 meeting, the Council made additional changes to the actions and alternatives. The following items are in Regulatory Amendment 14 as of March 2013:
 - a. Greater amberjack fishing year
 - b. Gray triggerfish change minimum size limit measurement from TL to FL, specify minimum size limit in federal waters of states in addition to Florida

- c. Black sea bass fishing year– recreational and commercial
- d. Vermilion snapper commercial fishing year & recreational AMs
- e. Grouper aggregate recreational bag limit increase the gag bag limit within the aggregate
- f. Gag commercial trip limit
- G. AT THE JUNE 2013 MEETING, THE COUNCIL DEFERRED MAKING CHANGES TO GRAY TRIGGERFISH AND HOGFISH MANAGEMENT AS WELL AS CONSIDERING CHANGES TO RECREATIONAL MANAGEMENT MEASURES FOR GROUPER. THE COUNCIL ADDED AN ACTION TO MODIFY THE RECREATIONAL AM FOR BSB AND CONSIDER A FISHING SEASON.
- 1. $\sqrt{Assign Team TBD}$
 - a. √SAFMC Team: Myra Brower (SAFMC Lead), Kari Maclauchlin, Brian Cheuvront, Roger Pugliese (EFH), Anna Martin (Coral), and Mike Errigo (Data).
 - b. √NMFS SERO Team: Nikhil Mehta (SAFMC Lead) & Jack McGovern (Biologists, Sustainable Fisheries); Jessica Stephen & Michael Larkin (Data Analysts, Sustainable Fisheries); Tony Lamberte (Economist, Sustainable Fisheries); Michael Jepson (Social Scientist, Sustainable Fisheries); Scott Sandorf (Technical Writer, Sustainable Fisheries); David Keys (NEPA); David Dale (Habitat Conservation); Jenny Lee and Andrew Herndon (Protected Resources); and Jeff Radonski (Law Enforcement).
 - c. $\sqrt{\text{NMFS SEFSC Team: Todd Kellison (Biologist)}}$ and Larry Perruso (Social Scientist).
 - d. √NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello.
- 2. √Database agree to fixed data to be used for amendment by _____. Done: March 19, 2013.
- 3. Timing
 - a. VOptions reviewed at March 2013 Council meeting
 - b. \sqrt{SSC} & AP review April 2013
 - c. √Approve for public hearings June Council meeting
 - d. Public hearings August 5-15, 2013
 - e. Review public hearing comments and approve for formal review September 2013 meeting
- 4. Snapper Grouper AP meeting review all SG and Coral Amendments
 - a. $\sqrt{\text{April } 23 \text{ (1:30 pm)}} 25 \text{ (noon)}, 2013; \text{ hotel cutoff } 3/25/13$:

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| 5. | Document preparation for public hearings: |
|--|---|
| | a. Staff (Myra) revises summary and distributes to IPT – done/13 |
| | b. Summary finalized and posted by COB 7/22/13 |
| | c. Staff completes amendment document by and sends to IPT. Done |
| | /13. |
| | d. IPT completes review by COB/13. |
| | e. Myra completes any edits necessary before posting – by COB 7/22/13. |
| | f. Public hearing version posted by COB 7/22/13. |
| 6. | Public Hearings – August 5-15, 2013. See Section XI. For details. |
| | Comments due by 5 pm on August 18, 2013. |
| 7. | AP Review – mail them public hearing version & get them to send in comments |
| | Document preparation for September meeting: |
| | a. IPT leads send revised amendment & SG Committee Final report to IPT – |
| | by/13 |
| | b. IPT sections due to IPT leads – by COB/13 |
| | c. IPT leads finalize document – by $\frac{1}{2}$ |
| | d. SEFSC/PPI/NOAA GC/IPT review prior to September meeting – done by |
| | /13. |
| | e. IPT leads finalize document by/13 |
| 9. Final Review and Consideration for Formal Review at the September 16- | |
| | meeting. |
| 10. | Document preparation for formal review: |
| | a. IPT leads request review completed by |
| | b. Staff/IPT completes document by |
| | c. Council chair reviews document & proposed rule by |
| | d. Comments from SERO and NOAA GC received on |
| | e. Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule |
| | by |
| | f. Corrections made by |
| 11. | SAFMC sends to NMFS for formal review by Done/13. |
| 12. | Regulatory Amendment 19 includes action to prohibit use of black sea bass pots |
| | during large whale migration/right whale calving season. Therefore, an EIS is not |
| | needed for Regulatory Amendment 14. A supplemental NOI will be published in the |
| | summer of 2013 to announce change. |
| 13. | Regulatory Amendment 19 approved or disapproved on/13. |
| 14. | Proposed Rule published/13. |
| | a. Send to Council, AP & SSC |
| | b. Comments due by/13. |
| 15. | Final Rule published13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on13 |
| | a. Send to Council, AP & SSC |
| | b. Post to web site |
| 16. | Regulations effective |

10. Regulatory Amendment 15/EA (Yellowtail Snapper & Gag AM) – Myra

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

- f. $\sqrt{11/2/12}$ – Revised document sent to IPT for IPT review and comment.
- $\sqrt{\text{Comments}}$ due back from IPT on 11/8/12 COB. g.
- $\sqrt{11/2/12}$ Myra and Rick send to Science Center, David Keys, NOAA h. GC, and PPI for review and comment. Comments due back from Science Center, David Keys, NOAA GC, and PPI on 11/9/12 COB. Changed to after the December 2012 Council meeting.
- $\sqrt{\text{Myra}}$ revises document for 1st briefing book by November 13, 2012 at 9 am i.
- $\sqrt{11/19/12}$ COB Any editorial changes for 2nd BB version from IPT due. j.
- $\sqrt{\text{Myra revises document for 2}^{\text{nd}}}$ briefing book by November 26, 2012 at 9 am. k.
- 4. √SSC Review the SSC reviewed the approach during their October 23-25, 2012 meeting and their comments were presented to the Council at the December meeting.
 - SSC review version of document available as of November 13, 2012. a.
 - SSC comments included in 2nd briefing book on November 26, 2012 or b. emailed at meeting if SSC needs more time.
- 5. $\sqrt{\text{Snapper Grouper AP Review document } (11/26/12 \text{ version})}$ via mail with comments presented to Council at December meeting. Reviewed during their November 7-8, 2012 meeting and report presented to Council at the December meeting.
- 6. $\sqrt{\text{Council reviews}}$ and approves for final submission December 2012.
- 7. VMyra and Rick send to Science Center, David Keys, NOAA GC, and PPI for review and comment. Comments due back from Science Center, David Keys, NOAA GC, and PPI on _ 8. √Document preparation for formal review: Staff/IPT completes document by . Council chair reviews document & proposed rule by ______. b. Comments from SERO and NOAA GC received on . . c. Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule d. Corrections made by December 12, 2012; changed to January 2013. 9. √Council sends amendment for formal review on _____/13. Done 3/1/13. 10. Proposed Rule
- - $\sqrt{\text{Published in } Federal \ Register}$ on 5/24/13. a.
 - b. Send to Council. AP & SSC
 - Comments due by 6/24/13. c.
- 11. Final Rule published _______13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on ______13.
 - Send to Council, AP & SSC a.
 - Post to web site
- Regulations effective _____. 12.

11. Regulatory Amendment 16/EA - Myra/Kari

- A. \(\sqrt{\concil directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at September 2012 meeting}\)
 - a. Golden tilefish 2 weeks on and 2 weeks off
- B. $\sqrt{\text{At the September 2012 meeting, the Council approved the following schedule:}}$
 - a. Staff/IPT develop options for March 2013 meeting
 - b. Council provide guidance at March meeting
 - c. Council approves for public hearings at June 2013 meeting
 - d. Public hearings August 2013
 - e. Public comment at September 2013 meeting
 - f. Council final approval at September 2013 meeting
 - g. Send to Secretary of Commerce by September 27, 2013
 - h. Final regulations effective asap in the 2014 fishing year.
- C. AT THE JUNE 2013 MEETING, THE COUNCIL STOPPED WORK ON GOLDEN TILEFISH IN REGULATORY AMENDMENT 16 AND DIRECTED STAFF TO PREPARE A DRAFT REGULATORY AMENDMENT TO REMOVE THE BSB POT CLOSURE (IF REGULATORY AMENDMENT 19 IS APPROVED AND IMPLEMENTED). BRING THE DRAFT DOCUMENT TO THE COUNCIL IN SEPTEMBER 2013.

1. $\sqrt{Assign Team - TBD}$

- a. √SAFMC Team: Myra Brower/Kari Maclauchlin (SAFMC Co-Leads), Myra Brower, Kari Maclauchlin, Brian Cheuvront, Roger Pugliese (EFH), Anna Martin (Coral), and Mike Errigo (Data).
- b. √NMFS SERO Team: Rick DeVictor (NMFS Lead), Jack McGovern, Scott Sandorf (Regs Writer), Tony Lamberte (Economist), Mike Jepson (Social Scientist), Andy Hernden (Protected Resources), David Keys (NEPA), Otha Easley (OLE)
- c. NMFS SEFSC Team: Scott Crosson (Economist) & Lance Garrison (Protected Resources Research Biologist)
- d. √NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello

2. Timing for Golden Tilefish RA 16

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

NMFS TO DETERMINE WHETHER EA OR EIS

- 3. Timing for BSB Pot Removal RA 16
 - a. Regulatory Amendment 16 reviewed at September 2013 Council meeting. Council to provide guidance on steps and timing

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

- A. √At the September 2012 meeting, the Council directed staff/IPT to develop alternatives for the following items:
 - a. MPAs for speckled hind and warsaw grouper
- B. $\sqrt{\text{At the September 2012 meeting, the Council approved the following schedule:}}$
 - a. Council Approves for public hearings at June 2013 meeting
 - b. Public hearings August 2013
 - c. Public comment at September 2013 meeting
 - d. Council final approval at September 2013 meeting
 - e. Send to Secretary of Commerce September 27, 2013
 - f. Final regulations effective asap in the 2014 fishing year.
- C. √At the September meeting the Council directed staff to have the SERO present Tier 1 alternatives for reorienting existing MPAs at the December 2012 meeting and to discuss timing and further guidance at that time.
- D. √At the December 2012 meeting, the Council directed staff to conduct a second MPA Expert Working Group meeting prior to the March 2013 meeting. The Committee/Council will provide guidance on options and timing at the March 2013 meeting.

NMFS TO DETERMINE WHETHER EA OR EIS

- E. √At the March 2013 meeting, the Council reviewed the second MPA Expert Working Group report and minority report. The Committee/Council decided to bring the MPA issue back to the Snapper Grouper Committee at the September meeting to develop a purpose and need and potentially consider options for reconfigurations and spawning. Staff are to develop a draft Purpose & Need statement and indicate which of the sites in the report are reconfigurations and which target spawning sites.
- 1. Assign Team TBD
 - a. √SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh/Roger Pugliese (SAFMC Co-Leads), Myra Brouwer, Kari Maclauchlin, Brian Cheuvront, Anna Martin (Coral), and Mike Errigo (Data).
 - b. VNMFS SERO Team: Rick DeVictor (NMFS Lead), Karla Gore (Biologist), Nick Farmer (Data), Jack McGovern (Biologist), Stephen Holiman (Economist), Mike Jepson (Social Scientist), David Dale (HCD), Otha Easley (OLE), Jenny Lee and Andy Herndon (PR), David Keys (NEPA), and Scott Sandorf (Regulations writer).
 - c. √NMFS SEFSC Team: Todd Kellison (Biologist) and Larry Perruso (Social Scientist).
 - d. √NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello

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

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

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

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

| February 4 (1pm) – 6(noon), 2013 | | |
|----------------------------------|--|--|
| Crown Plaza | | |
| 4831 Tanger Outlet Blvd. | | |
| North Charleston, SC 29418 | | |
| Phone: 843-744-4422 | | |

E. $\sqrt{\text{Meeting arrangements}}$

- a. $\sqrt{\text{Memo to Workgroup members}}$ Roger to do on 12/11/12 with dates and city only (not hotel). Done 12/11/12.
- b. \sqrt{FR} notice
- c. $\sqrt{\text{Briefing materials including presentation}}$ done 1/2/13
- F. Workgroup Report
 - a. Draft completed at meeting. Not completed during meeting.
 - b. √Final report for inclusion in 2nd BBook 2/22/13. Draft of workgroup report distributed and posted on 2/27/13.
- G. In preparation for the September 2013 Snapper Grouper Committee meeting, staff are to develop a draft Purpose & Need statement and indicate which of the sites in the report are reconfigurations and which target spawning sites.
- H. The Committee/Council will provide guidance on actions and timing at the September 2013 meeting.

13. $\sqrt{\text{Regulatory Amendment 18/EA (Vermilion Snapper & Red Porgy)}}$ – Gregg

- 1. Assign Team TBD
 - a. √SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh (SAFMC Lead), Brian Cheuvront, Myra Brower, Kari Maclauchlin, Roger Pugliese (EFH), Anna Martin (Coral), John Carmichael, and Mike Errigo (Data).
 - b. √NMFS SERO Team: Kate Michie (NMFS Lead), Rick DeVictor, Tony Lamberte (Economist), Mike Jepson (Social Scientist), Andy Strelcheck (Data), Mike Larkin (Data), Scott Sandorf (Regs Writer), Adam Brame Protected Resources, Otha Easley (LE), David Keys (NEPA).
 - c. \sqrt{NMFS} SEFSC Team: Lew Coggins (Biologist) & Scott Crosson (Economist).
 - d. √NOAA GC Team: Mara Levy.
- 2. √Database prepared by SERO
 - a. $\sqrt{\text{Agreement on years to include.}}$
 - b. $\sqrt{\text{Provide for IPT review by January 8, 2012.}}$
- 3. √Document Preparation follow format used for Reg Amendment 13?? and latest guidance document:
 - a. $\sqrt{\text{Gregg prepare list of actions/alternatives}}$ done 12/12/12.
 - b. $\sqrt{\text{Team leads review and modify}}$ done 12/13/12.
 - c. √Kate prepare draft amendment document using Reg Am 13 and list of actions/alternatives for IPT/Staff to use asap. Done 1/3/13.
 - d. √Gregg (SAFMC Lead) coordinates revisions to document
 - e. $\sqrt{\text{Sections}}$ due to Gregg and Kate by –
 - f. $\sqrt{\text{Sent for IPT review by}}$
 - g. \sqrt{IPT} comments to Gregg by –
 - h. $\sqrt{\text{Gregg revises document for 1}^{\text{st}}}$ briefing book by February 11, 2013 at 9 am
 - i. √IPT/Staff final review and revisions to Gregg and Kate by February 20, 2013 at 5 pm
 - j. $\sqrt{\text{Gregg revises document for 2}^{\text{nd}}}$ briefing book by February 25, 2013 at 9 am.
- 4. √Public Comment
 - a. √Email: SGRegAm18Comments@safmc.net
 - b. $\sqrt{\text{Post to website on } 2/13/13}$ with comments due by March 4, 2013
 - c. Public comments during Q & A and Friday of Council meeting
- 5. √Snapper Grouper AP Review document (2nd BB version) via mail with comments presented to Council at March 2013 meeting.
- 6. $\sqrt{\text{SSC}}$ Review document the SSC reviewed the stock assessment data/results at their October 2012 meeting; they were sent 1st and 2nd BB versions.
- 7. $\sqrt{\text{Council reviews and approves for final submission}}$ March 2013.
- 8. √Document preparation for formal review:
 - a. \sqrt{IPT} call on March 18, 2013 at 10 am
 - b. $\sqrt{\text{Gregg}}$ to provide Council Conclusions by 3/20/13. Done 3/20.
 - c. \sqrt{Brian/Kari} to provide updated discussion of new Action 5 alternative and RIR by 3/22/13. Done 3/21.
 - d. $\sqrt{\text{Tony to provide Reg Flex Analysis by } 3/25/13}$. Done 3/22.
 - e. $\sqrt{\text{Council chair reviews document \& proposed rule by } 3/26 3/29.}$

- f. VComments from SERO and NOAA GC received by April 3, 2013
- g. $\sqrt{\text{Council}}$ staff completes final review of document by 3/29/13. Done 4/12/13.
- 9. $\sqrt{\text{SAFMC}}$ sends to NMFS by April 5, 2013. Done 4/12/13.
- 10. $\sqrt{\text{Proposed Rule published } 5/8/13}$.
 - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
 - b. Comments due by 6/7/13.
- 11. $\sqrt{\text{Final Rule published 8/6/13}}$. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on 8/6/13.
 - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
 - b. Post to web site
- 12. $\sqrt{\text{Regulations effective } 9/5/13}$ (prior to September 1, 2013 when commercial closure would be expected).

14. Regulatory Amendment 19/EA (Black Sea Bass) - Gregg/Myra

- 1. Assign Team TBD
 - a. √SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh/Myra Brower (SAFMC Co-Leads), Brian Cheuvront, Kari Maclauchlin, Roger Pugliese (EFH), Anna Martin (Coral), John Carmichael, and Mike Errigo (Data).
 - b. √NMFS SERO Team: Rick DeVictor (Lead), Jack McGovern, Karla Gore, Kate Michie, (Biologists), Tony Lamberte (Economist), Mike Jepson (Social Scientist), Andy Strelcheck (Data), Nick Farmer (Data), Scott Sandorf (Reg Writer), Andy Herndon and Jessica Powell (Protected Resources), Otha Easley (LE), David Keys (NEPA).
 - c. √NMFS SEFSC Team: Kate Andrews (Biologist), Akbar Marvasti. (Economist).
 - d. √NOAA GC Team: Mara Levy.
- 2. Database
 - a. Agreement on years to include.
 - b. Provide for use
- 3. √Document Preparation follow format used for Reg Amendment 18?? and latest guidance document; preliminary analyses done using format planned for fast framework in Snapper Grouper Amendment 27:
 - a. $\sqrt{\text{Gregg prepare list of actions/alternatives}}$ done 3/15/13.
 - b. $\sqrt{\text{SAFMC}}$ staff review and modify done 3/19/13.
 - c. $\sqrt{\text{Gregg sends to Stephen and Monica}}$ done 3/20/13.
 - d. √BSB assessment report received from Beaufort Lab by COB 3/20/13. Received 3/27/13 at 4 pm.
 - e. $\sqrt{\text{SAFMC}}$ staff prepares draft analyses using planned format for framework and send to SERO 4/1/13. Done 4/2/13.
 - f. $\sqrt{\text{SERO}}$ staff comments to SAFMC staff 4/5/13. Done 4/6/13.
 - g. √SAFMC staff prepares draft Reg Am 19 document using preliminary analyses and format from Reg Am 18 and send to IPT by noon on 4/12/13.
 - h. $\sqrt{\text{IPT}}$ comments due to Gregg and Myra by COB 4/19/13.
 - i. $\sqrt{\text{SAFMC}}$ staff finalize Reg Am 19 by 3 pm 4/26/13.
 - j. $\sqrt{\text{Emailed to Council members by COB } 4/26/13}$.
 - k. √SERO sends for 2 week SEFSC/PPI/NEPA/NOAA GC review; comments due by 5 pm on 5/10/13.
- 4. √Public Comment
 - a. Email: SGRegAm19Comments@safmc.net
 - b. Post to website on 4/26/13 with comments due by 5 p.m. Friday, 5/10/13.
 - c. Public comments during Webinar Council meeting that is scheduled 1-3 pm on Monday, 5/13/13. Public comments should start at 1:30 pm.
- 5. $\sqrt{\text{Council reviews and approves for final submission}}$ May 13, 2013.
- 6. √Document preparation for formal review:
 - a. $\sqrt{\text{Council}}$ staff completes final review of document by 4 pm on 5/14/13. Done 5/20/13.
- 7. √SAFMC sends to NMFS by 5 pm on May 14, 2013. Done 5/20/13. Revision to No Action ACT value and resent on 5/22/13.

| 8. | Proposed Rule published 7/2/13. |
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| | a. Send to Council, AP & SSC |
| | b. Comments due by 8/1/13. |
| 9. | Final Rule published/13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on13 |
| | a. Send to Council, AP & SSC |
| | b. Post to web site |
| 10 | Regulations effective (prior to September 1, 2013 when commercial |
| | closure would be expected). |

II. ECOSYSTEM

1. Fishery Ecosystem Plan - Roger

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

- A. Original FEP Approved by Council March 2009
- B. Original FEP submitted as Source Document for Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment 1 which was approved on June 1, 2010 with regulations effective on July 22, 2010
- C. Process for FEP II Developed in cooperation with Habitat AP prior to December 2013 Council meeting. Planning initiated and policy statement revision/development completed in 2013.
 - a. Input from Ecosystem Committee on what should be included
 - b. Include an evaluation of FEP and how to use the FEP more effectively in the future
 - c. Improvements to FEP II to make it more effective
 - d. Evaluate how amendments can incorporate this information by reference to reduce size of documents

2. Essential Fish Habitat - Roger

- A. Coordinate Habitat Policy Statement Development and Revision
 - a. Identify focus teams of Habitat AP members to perform initial reviews and develop revision/update recommendations. Initiated in conjunction with November 14-15, 2012 AP meeting.
 - b. The Habitat AP During May 7, 2013 meeting continued developing updated and new policy statements to support and enhance their use in by NOAA Fisheries and regional partners in EFH review and consultation.
- B. Initiate Development of a South Atlantic Fish Habitat Condition Report
 - a. Identify Habitat AP members to provide input on a core development team. Initiated in conjunction with November 14-15, 2012 AP meeting.

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

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

- 1) √Habitat and Environmental Advisory Panel Meeting; portion joint with Coral AP to review Coral Amendment 8
- 2) √SEAMAP Bottom Mapping Workgroup Meeting– March 4, 2013 from 1-6 pm; concurrent with SAFMC
- 3) √GSAA Executive Planning Team Meeting March 13-14, 2013 Raleigh, NC
- 4) √SALCC Steering Committee Meeting March 19-21, 2013
- 5) VSECOORA Member and Board Meeting May 13-15, 2013 Jacksonville, FL
- 6) $\sqrt{\text{SARP Steering Committee June 4-6, 2013 Memphis Tenn.}}$
- 7) Society for Conservation GIS July 16-18, 2013 Monterey, CA
- 8) South Atlantic Committee Meeting and Joint Meeting of the South Atlantic, Gulf of Mexico and Caribbean SEAMAP Committees July 29-30, 2013
- 9) Governors South Atlantic Alliance Meeting September 4-6, 2013
- 10) Oceans 2013 September 23-26, 2013
- 11) SARP Steering Committee/SEAFWA Meeting October 14-17, 2013
- 12) Habitat Advisory Panel Meeting November 5-7, 2013 FWRI, St. Petersburg FL

4. Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment 3 - Anna

<u>Items included during scoping:</u>

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

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

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

At the September 2012 meeting, VMS for the commercial snapper grouper fishery was moved to a separate action in CE-BA 3.

At the December 2012 meeting, the Council:

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

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

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

Timing:

- A. √Council considers items at September 2011 meeting
- B. VCouncil refines list and approves for scoping December 2011 meeting
- C. $\sqrt{\text{Scope in January/February}}$ see below for details
- D. √Council reviews scoping comments at March 2012 meeting and provides guidance to Staff/IPT
- E. \(\sqrt{Individual Council Species Committees develop actions/alternatives}\)
- F. √Council reviews amendment and approves for public hearings at June 2012 meeting
- G. √Public hearings August 2012
- H. √Council reviews public hearing comments and approves for formal review at September 2012 meeting; final approval deferred to December 2012. The Council provided further guidance at the December 2012 meeting; final approval deferred to March 2013 meeting
- I. Changes implemented January 1, 2013; as early as possible in 2013.

Appoint IPT Team:

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

Advisory Panel Input:

- A. $\sqrt{\text{Coral AP: October 25-26, 2010 meeting, Charleston, SC}}$
 - (1) Hotel location
 - (2) FR notice
 - (3) Briefing materials

| B. | √Snapper Grouper AP: October 5-6, 2011 in Charleston, SC |
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| | (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. | $\sqrt{\text{Coral AP - May 9 (9:00 am - 5:00 pm})} - 10 (9:00 \text{ am - 12 noon}), 2012 \text{ in Charleston, Solution}$ |
| | (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 |
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| _ | fic Steps: |
| A | . √NOI to publish in FR by NOI published on 5/23/12. Given that MPAs |
| | removed, a new checklist will be sent out to determine if this amendment will be an EA |
| | or EIS. |
| | a. (Note: A NOI is not needed if CE-BA 3 is an EA. More information is needed |
| | before it can be determined if CE-BA 3 will be an EA or EIS. If it is an EIS, a NOI |
| | will be produced after the March 2012 Council meeting. The SAFMC conducted |
| Д | scoping during the Council's MSA scoping in January/February 2012.) |
| | √Draft MSA scoping document. |
| C. | √Distribute MSA scoping document to the Team. Schedule a Team call if needed. |
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D. √MSA Scoping meetings for CE-BA 3. Scoping from 4-7 pm

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

- E. $\sqrt{\text{Written comments due on or before 5 pm on February 15, 2012.}}$
- F. √Council reviews scoping comments and provides direction to staff at March 2012 meeting.
- G. $\sqrt{\text{Anna}}$ drafts amendment with options and distributes to Team by 3/26/12
- H. $\sqrt{\text{Team provides edits to Anna and Karla by } 5/21/12}$
- I. VConference 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. $\sqrt{\text{CE-BA 3}}$ 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

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

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

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

- R. √Staff revises CE-BA 3 according to guidance.
- S. \sqrt{IPT} completes analyses
 - a. 10/3/12 IPT conference call
 - b. 10/30/12 IPT submits written sections to Karla and Anna
 - c. 11/5/12 revised document sent to IPT
 - d. 11/9/12 comments due back from IPT
 - e. 11/13/12 amendment ready for 1st briefing book at 9 am
 - f. 11/20/12 all final revisions due
 - g. $11/26/12 2^{nd}$ briefing book ready at 9 am
- T. √Gulf Council Approval at their October 29 November 1, 2012 meeting. CE-BA 3 was not discussed at the Gulf Council meeting.

AT THE DECEMBER 2012 MEETING THE COUNCIL MOVED ALL ITEMS EXCEPT BYCATCH REPORTING OUT OF CE-BA 3.

- U. √Staff revises CE-BA 3 according to guidance.
 - a. $\sqrt{\text{Prepare draft amendment document}}$ Anna
 - b. √Expand no action on bycatch reporting Karla
- V. \sqrt{IPT} completes analyses
 - a. √January 16, 2013 IPT conference call
 - b. $\sqrt{}$ IPT submits written sections to Karla and Anna
 - c. $\sqrt{}$ revised document sent to IPT
 - d. $\sqrt{}$ comments due back from IPT

- e. $\sqrt{2/11/13}$ amendment ready for 1st briefing book at 9 am
- W. South Atlantic Council Approval at their March 4-8, 2013 meeting.
- J. At the March 2013 meeting, the Council reviewed and made changes to CE-BA 3. The Council requested an analysis from NOAA GC to identify how the South Atlantic Council is meeting its bycatch requirements under the MSA. The Council also voted to postpone further consideration of CE-BA 3 until receipt of analysis from NOAA GC.
- X. September 2013 meeting: review NOAA GC report and provide guidance to staff.

III. Coral Amendment 8/EA - Anna

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

Items included:

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

Timing:

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

Appoint IPT Team:

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

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

conducted scoping during the Council's MSA scoping in January/February 2012 on some issues.) Coral Amendment 8 is an EA.

- B. Based on outcomes from December 2012 meeting, update Coral Amendment 8 document accordingly. Include updated VMS analyses prior to March 2013 meeting. Changed to May 2013.
- C. Prepare draft amendment document Anna
- D. VDistribute revised Coral Amendment 8 document to the Team.
- E. $\sqrt{\text{Schedule IPT call for week of January 7, 2013.}}$ Done on 1/11/13.
- F. $\sqrt{\text{Council reviews updated analyses}}$ and revised document in March 2013 and provides guidance to staff. Council was provided a status update on obtaining VMS data.
- G. √Council Staff revises VMS analyses charts/figures and tables for habitat and fishery operations for presentation during May 2013 Advisory Panel meetings Roger
- H. √AP meetings held with SG, LE, DW Shrimp, Coral and Habitat during late March/early April 2013.

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(i) $\sqrt{\text{Habitat AP, May 7, 2013 from 8:30 am} - 4:30 pm; hotel cutoff 4/12/13.}$

- (ii) $\sqrt{\text{Coral AP, May 7, 2013 from 1:00 pm}} 5:00 \text{ pm}$; hotel cutoff 4/12/13.
- (iii) √Joint Coral/Habitat AP with Chairs or a representative from Deepwater Shrimp AP, Snapper Grouper AP, and Law Enforcement AP attending for Coral Amendment 8 discussions May 8, 2013 from 8:30 am 1:00 pm; hotel cutoff 4/12/13.
- (iv) √Deepwater Shrimp AP with Chairs or a representative Habitat AP, Coral AP, Snapper Grouper AP, and Law Enforcement AP attending for Coral Amendment 8 discussions May 9, 2013 from 9:00 am 5:00 pm; hotel cutoff 4/12/13.
- I. \sqrt{SSC} reviews Coral Amendment 8 during their April 2013 meeting.
- J. √Council Staff develops charts/conducts VMS analyses associated with new alternatives developed during May 2013 Deepwater Shrimp Advisory Panel meeting Roger
- K. √Council reviews alternatives, selects preferred alternatives, and approves for public hearings during June 2013 meeting.
- L. Public hearings in August 2013. See Section XI for details.
- M. Written comments due on or before 5 pm on August 23, 2013.
- N. Council reviews public hearing comments, revises and approves for final submission September 2013.

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| O. | 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 |
| P. | SAFMC sends to NMFS by |

| Q. | Notice of Availability of Amendment |
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| | a. Published in Federal Register on13. |
| | b. Comments due13. |
| R. | Proposed Rule published/13. |
| | a. Send to Council, AP & SSC |
| | b. Comments due by/13. |
| S. | Final Rule published/13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on |
| | 13. |
| | a. Send to Council, AP & SSC |
| | b. Comments due by/13. |
| Т. | Regulations effective /13 |

IV. MACKEREL

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

IPT Team

- a. √SAFMC Team: Kari MacLauchlin (SAFMC Lead), Brian Cheuvront, Roger Pugliese (EFH), and Anna Martin (Coral issues)
- b. $\sqrt{\text{GMFMC Team}}$: Ryan Rindone (GMFMC Lead), Assane Diagne, and Ava Lasseter
- c. √NMFS SERO Team: Susan Gerhart (NMFS Lead), Nikhil Mehta, Denise Johnson, David Dale, Jennifer Lee (Protected Resources), Noah Silverman (NEPA), and Anik Clemens (Reg Writer).
- d. √NMFS SEFSC Team: Christopher Liese and Nancie Cummings
- e. √NOAA GC Team: Mara Levy

Items:

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

Revised List of Items:

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

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

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

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

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

Steps in 2011:

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

Steps in 2012:

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

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

Proposed timing in 2012/2013:

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

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

11. Gulf Council review final document and approve for formal review at October 2013 meeting

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

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

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

IPT Team

- a. √SAFMC Team: Kari MacLauchlin (SAFMC Lead), Brian Cheuvront, Roger Pugliese (EFH), and Anna Martin (Coral issues)
- b. √GMFMC Team: Ryan Rindone (GMFMC Lead), Assane Diagne, and Ava Lasseter
- c. √NMFS SERO Team: Susan Gerhart (NMFS Lead), Jack McGovern, John Vondruska, Mike Larkin, David Dale, Jennifer Lee (Protected Resources), Noah Silverman (NEPA), Anne Marie Eich (Reg Writer), Christine Package (Social Scientist), Stephen Holiman (Economist).
- d. √NMFS SEFSC Team: Brent Stoffle
- e. √NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello

Items:

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

Revised List of Items:

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

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

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

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

At the March 2013 and June 2013 meetings the Council revised the list as follows:

- 1. Modify the Commercial Hook-and-Line Trip Limits for Gulf Migratory Group King Mackerel
- 2. Change the Fishing Season for Gulf Group King Mackerel for the Eastern and Western Zone
- 3. Establish Transit Provisions for Travel Through Areas That are Closed to King Mackerel Fishing
- 4. Establish Regional Annual Catch Limits (ACLs) for Atlantic Migratory Group King and Spanish Mackerel.
- 5. Modify the Framework Procedure
- 6. Modify the Gulf and Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia Annual Catch Limits (ACLs) and Annual Catch Targets (ACTs).

Timing:

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

Proposed timing in 2012/2013:

- 1. √SAFMC reviews Scoping Document March 2012
- 2. \sqrt{SSC} input at April 3-5, 2012 meeting in Savannah, GA
- 3. √AP reviews Scoping Document April 24-25, 2012
- 4. Approve for public hearings at December 2012 meeting

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

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- 8. √Councils approve for public hearings at June 2013 meetings
- 9. Public hearings August 2013. See Section XI for details.
- 10. Review hearing comments, modify and approve all actions at September 2013 meeting
- 11. South Atlantic Council review final document and approve for formal review at September 2013 meeting
- 12. Gulf Council review final document and approve for formal review at October 2013 meeting

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

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

3. SAFMC Framework - Kari

Official title: South Atlantic Coastal Migratory Pelagics Framework Action 2013 IPT Team

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

Actions:

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

Alternative 1- no action

Alternative 2-50 fish all season

Other Alternatives

5. Modify the system of quota and trip limit adjustments for Atlantic migratory group Spanish mackerel.

Revised Actions from June 2013:

- 1. Modify restrictions on transfer at sea and gillnet allowances for Atlantic migratory gorup Spanish mackerel.
- 2. Modify the king mackerel commercial trip limit in the Florida East Coast Subzone.

Proposed Timing

- A. \sqrt{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. $\sqrt{\text{SAFMC}}$ refines list at June 2012 meeting
- D. $\sqrt{\text{SAFMC}}$ refines list at September 2012 meeting
- E. √Staff/IPT present options to Council at March 2013 meeting
- F. $\sqrt{\text{Council guidance at March 2013 meeting}}$
- G. $\sqrt{\text{SSC}}$ receives status report at Crown Plaza, North Charleston April 9-11, 2013
- H. √Mackerel AP Meeting; April 22 (9am) April 23 (noon), 2013; hotel cutoff 3/25/13

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

V. SPINY LOBSTER

Note: Joint Dealer Amendment is Spiny Lobster Amendment 12.

1. Spiny Lobster Amendment 12 13 - Kari

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

VI. SHRIMP - Anna

1. Shrimp Amendment 9

IPT Team

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

Items to be addressed: Modify list based on council guidance

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

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

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

2011 Activities

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

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

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

Specific Steps:

A. $\sqrt{\text{NOI}}$ to publish in FR by_____. NOI published on May 23, 2012____.

(Note: A NOI is not needed because Shrimp Amendment 9 is an EA.)

- B. √Draft MSA scoping document.
- C. √Distribute MSA scoping document to the Team. Schedule a Team call if needed.
- D. \sqrt{MSA} Scoping meetings for Shrimp Amendment 9. Scoping from 4-7 pm

| D. WISA Scoping meetings for Simmip Amendment 9. Scoping from 4-7 pm | | |
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| <u>January 24, 2012</u> | <u>January 31, 2012</u> | |
| Crowne Plaza | Hilton Cocoa Beach | |
| 4831 Tanger Outlet Blvd. | 1550 North Atlantic Ave. | |
| North Charleston, SC 29418 | Cocoa Beach, FL 32931 | |
| Phone: 843-744-4422 | 321-799-0003 | |
| <u>January 26, 2012</u> | February 1, 2012 | |
| BridgePointe Hotel & Marina | Crowne Plaza Jacksonville Riverfront | |
| 101 Howell Road | 1201 Riverplace Boulevard | |
| New Bern, NC 28562 | Jacksonville, FL 32207 | |
| Phone: 252-636-3637 | Phone: 904-398-8800 | |
| January 30, 2012 | February 2, 2012 | |
| Hilton Key Largo Resort | Mighty Eighth Air Force Museum | |
| 97000 Overseas Highway | 175 Bourne Avenue | |
| Key Largo, FL 33037 | Pooler, GA 31322 | |
| Phone: 305-852-5553 | Phone: 912-748-8888 | |

- (1) $\sqrt{\text{Hotel arrangements}}$ Cindy.
- (2) \sqrt{PH} Comment Period: January 13, 2012 5 pm on February 13, 2012
- (3) $\sqrt{\text{FR Notice}} \text{Kim/Andrea}$; done _____/11.
- (4) $\sqrt{\text{Scoping Document available}}$
 - a. Complete by 1/13/12
 - b. Posted to web by 1/13/12
- (5) \(\sqrt{Email address: ShrimpAmend6Scopingcomment@safmc.net} \)
- (6) √Public Hearing Presentation
- E. $\sqrt{\text{Written comments due on or before 5 pm on February 15, 2012}}$.
- F. √Council reviews scoping comments and provides direction to staff at March 2012 meeting.
- G. $\sqrt{\text{Anna}}$ 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. $\sqrt{\text{Meeting of the Shrimp Review Panel via webinar}}$, 5/2/12.
- H. $\sqrt{\text{Team provides edits to Anna and Kate by } 5/21/12}$

- I. √Conference call to discuss changes to document for BB distribution.
- J. $\sqrt{\text{Shrimp Amendment 9 to Gregg for BB by } 5/21/12}$
- K. √Committee/Council revises Shrimp Amendment 9 at June Council meeting and approves for public hearings
- L. √Staff revises Shrimp Amendment 9 according to guidance
- M. √Public Hearings for Shrimp Amendment 9 held during August 2012:

Public hearings 4-7 pm

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

- N. \sqrt{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. \sqrt{BB} version ready by August 20, 2012
- P. \Committee/Council reviews public hearing comments, revises Shrimp Amendment 9 and approves for formal review at September 10-14, 2012 meeting
- Q. √Staff revises Shrimp Amendment 9 according to guidance a. October 5th IPT revisions to Anna

 - b. October 9th revised document to Monica/David Cupka
- R. VCouncil chair reviews and deems Shrimp Amendment 9 and codified text:
 - a. October 9, 2012 to David Cupka
 - b. October 11/12, 2012 comments due from David Cupka
- S. $\sqrt{\text{Council}}$ sends document for formal review by October 17, 2012; done 11/16/12.
- \sqrt{T} . Notice of Availability of Amendment
 - \sqrt{a} . Published in Federal Register on 3/4/13 (78FR14069)
 - b. $\sqrt{\text{Comments due } 5/3/13}$
 - c. $\sqrt{\text{Amendment approved on } 5/29/13}$.
- U. √Proposed Rule published 3/20/13 (78 FR 17178).
 - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
 - b. Comments due by 4/19/13.
- V. √Final Rule published 6/13/13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on 6/13/13.
 - a. Send to Council. AP & SSC
 - b. Post to web site
- W. Regulations effective 7/15/13.

2. Potential Cold Water Closure

A. Plan for action in 2014 if requested. Shrimp Amendment 9 was approved so new process can be used during the winter of 2014.

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 Cheuvront (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:

- √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. $\sqrt{\text{Staff present the Council with an options paper in September 2009}}$.
- 3. $\sqrt{\text{Council approve for scoping in September 2009}}$.
- 4. Scope for a Golden Crab LAP Amendment in November 2009.
- 5. Present the Council with a draft document in December 2009/March 2010.

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

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

2011/2012 Activities:

- A. $\sqrt{\text{Scoping meetings in January/February}}$
- 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. $\sqrt{\text{IPT}}$ meeting July 20, 2011 from 10 11 am
- E. \sqrt{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. $\sqrt{\text{Document preparation for December meeting}}$
 - (1) Distribute motions/alternatives from September meeting
 - (2) IPT call 10/11/11
 - (3) Sections due to team leads (Brian & Karla) by 11/10/11
 - (4) Incorporate IPT sections by 11/13/11
 - (5) Document ready for briefing book by noon on November 14, 2011
- I. √December 5-9, 2011 Council meeting review and approve for public hearings
- J. √Golden Crab AP input during January 29, 2011 meeting
 - (1) Distribute briefing materials
 - (2) Distribute AP input to IPT for incorporation into Amendment document
- K. √Document preparation for public hearings
 - (1) Distribute motions/alternatives from December meeting
 - (2) IPT call
 - (3) Sections due to team leads (Brian & Karla) by _____
 - (4) Incorporate IPT sections by _____
 - (5) Documents ready to be posted to website by noon on January 13, 2012
- J. √Public hearings held in January/February 2012 and cover Snapper Grouper Amendment 18B/EA, Golden Crab Amendment 6/EA (Catch Shares), Scoping for CEBA-3, Scoping for Shrimp Amendment 9, and in Key Largo Spiny Lobster Amendment 11/EIS:

Public hearings will be held from 4-7 pm

| January 24, 2012 | January 31, 2012 |
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| 4831 Tanger Outlet Blvd. | 1550 North Atlantic Ave. |
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- (1) Hotel arrangements Cindy.
- (2) PH Comment Period: January 13, 2012 5 pm on February 13, 2012
- (3) FR Notice Kim/Andrea; done _____/11.
- (4) Amendment available

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

VIII. JOINT GMFMC/SAFMC DATA REPORTING AMENDMENTS

1. Joint GMFMC/SAFMC Generic Dealer Amendment - Gregg

IPT Team

- a. √SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh (SAFMC Lead), Brian Cheuvront, 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).

<u>Items to be addressed:</u>

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

Proposed timing:

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

SAFMC Schedule:

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

GMFMC Schedule:

- $\overline{1}$. $\sqrt{\text{Approve for public hearings at April 2012 meeting}}$
- 2. √Public hearings held April & June 2012
- 3. $\sqrt{\text{Review public hearing comments at June 2012 meeting}}$
- 4. $\sqrt{\text{Approve for formal review at August 2012 meeting}}$

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

Schedule to Finalize for Formal Review:

- 1. $\sqrt{\text{Sept }10-14}$, 2012 SAFMC approves to send to SOC
- 2. $\sqrt{\text{September } 14,2012 \text{Approved}}$
- 3. √September 24, 2012 Section due to IPT Lead (Rick)
- 4. √September 26, 2012 Send version for review by SEFSC, GC, PPI,
- 5. √October 10, 2012 Comments due back from SEFSC, GC, PPI
- 6. √October 12, 2012 Send to Council Chairs for review. Note: David Cupka reviewed 9/25/12 version. Comments from David, Michelle & Gregg provided to rick 10/3/12.
- 7. VOctober 19, 2012 Comments due from Council Chair's
- 8. $\sqrt{\text{October } 25, 2012 \text{ Gulf Council to Transmit.}}$ Done 10/30/12.
- 9. A regulatory package is being prepared in the Regional Office. The following milestones for implementation were provided:
 - a. All reporting requirements (electronic, weekly, purchase, and/or no purchase form) effective 30 days after publication of the final rule
 - b. Generic Dealer Permit start issuing 30 days after publication of the final rule
 - c. Current Dealer Permit or New Generic Dealer Permit required 4 months after publication of the final rule
 - d. Current Dealer Permit phased out with renewal on birth date
- 10. √In February 2013, NOAA GC informed the Councils that several technical changes were necessary and that the two Councils needed to review and approve these changes.
 - a. √South Atlantic Council approves at March 4-8, 2013 meeting.
 - b. √Gulf Council approves at April 15-18, 2013 meeting.
 - c. $\sqrt{\text{Gulf Council resubmits revised amendment and codified text.}}$ Done 4/24/13.
- 11. In June 2013, NOAA GC informed the Councils that clarification was necessary on how regulations apply north of NC and that the two Councils needed to review and approve these changes after public hearings are held in the MAFMC and NEFMC areas.
 - a. MAFMC public hearing during their August 13-15, 2013 meeting in Wilmington, DE.
 - b. NEFMC public hearing sometime prior to the SAFMC's September 16-20, 2013 meeting; the NEFMC does not meet again until September 24-26, 2013 which is too late.
 - c. Gulf Council approves at August 26-30, 2013 meeting.
 - d. South Atlantic Council approves at September 16-20, 2013 meeting.

| | e. Gulf Council resubmits revised amendment and codified text. Provide copy to |
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| | SAFMC. Done/13. |
| 12. | NMFS Declares Transmit Date as |
| 13. | Final Review and Implementation: |
| | a. Notice of Availability of Amendment published |
| | b. Comments due no later than 5 pm EST on |
| | c. Send to Council, AP & SSC |
| | d. Post to website; Fishery Bulletin will be posted to website. |
| | e. Amendment approved on |
| 12. | Proposed Rule published |
| | a. Send to Council, AP & SSC |
| | b. Comments due by |
| 13. | Final Rule published |
| | a. Send to Council, AP & SSC |
| | h Post to websites |

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

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

IPT Team

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

<u>Timing</u>:

- A. √Prepare draft amendment document from CEBA-3 Gregg in early January 2013
- B. \sqrt{IPT} review and revise document
- C. √Document reviewed and approved for formal review during Gulf Council February 5-8, 2013 meeting.
- D. √SAFMC review Gulf Council actions, modify and approve for formal review during March 4-8, 2013 meeting
- E. Document preparation for formal review:
 - a. $\sqrt{\text{Karla to provide revisions addressing PPI, NEPA & SEFSC comments}$ by 3/19/13
 - b. $\sqrt{\text{Brian/Kari to provide RIR \& FIS by } 3/22/13}$. Brian 3/20; Kari 3/21.
 - c. √Stephen to provide Regulatory Flexibility Analyses by 3/25/13. Done 3/20.
 - d. $\sqrt{\text{Council chair reviews document \& proposed rule } 3/29 4/4$. Ready 3/29.
 - e. $\sqrt{\text{Comments from SERO}}$ and NOAA GC received by April 4, 2013. Done 4/4.
 - f. $\sqrt{\text{Council staff completes final review of document by } 4/4/13$. Done 4/22.
- F. $\sqrt{\text{Send for formal review by April 12, 2013.}}$ Done 4/23.
- G. NMFS Declares Transmit Date as ______.
- H. Final Review and Implementation:
 - a. Notice of Availability of Amendment published ______.
 - b. Comments due no later than 5 pm EST on .
 - c. Send to Council, AP & SSC
 - d. Post to website; Fishery Bulletin will be posted to website.
 - e. Amendment approved on _____.

- I. Proposed Rule published _____
 - a. Send to Council, AP & SSC
- b. Comments due by _____.

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

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

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

IPT Team

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

Timing: work with Gulf Council to determine timing

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

√The SAFMC approved the Gulf Regulatory Amendment for formal review at the June 2013 Council meeting.

Send letter to GMFMC.

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

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

Note: This will be a joint amendment with the Gulf Council with the South Atlantic

Council as administrative lead.

<u>IPT Team</u> IPT to be determined after February 2013 Gulf Council meeting.

- a. √SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh (SAFMC Lead), Brian Cheuvront, Kari MacLauchlin, Anna Martin (Coral Issues), and Roger Pugliese (Habitat Issues)
- b. GMFMC Team: John Froeschke (GMFMS Lead), Assane Diagne (Economist), Ava Lasseter (Anthropologist)
- c. NMFS SERO Team: Karla Gore (NMFS Lead), Rich Malinowski (NMFS Co-Lead), Anik Clemens (Regulation Writer), Stephen Holiman (Economist), Christina Package (Anthropologist), Nick Farmer, David Dale (Habitat), Noah Silverman, (NEPA), Jennifer Lee (Protected Resources), Kelly Moran (OLE).
- d. NMFS SEFSC Neil Baertlein, Shannon Calay, Larry Perruso (Economist).
- e. NOAA GC Mara Levy.

<u>Timing</u>: WILL BE WORKED ON AFTER THE SEPTEMBER 2013 COUNCIL MEETING

- A. Prepare draft amendment document from CEBA-3 Gregg in early January 2013
- B. IPT review and revise document
- C. Document reviewed during Gulf Council February 5-8, 2013 meeting.
- D. Timing determined after Gulf Council meeting
- E. IPT meeting with Gulf Staff April 1, 2013

F.

At the June 2013 meeting, the SAFMC requested a presentation on the pilot study from the SEFSC. After receiving the presentation at the September 2013 meeting, the Committee and Council will provide guidance to staff/IPT on timing and scope.

5. GMFMC Charterboat Reporting Amendment - Gregg

Need additional SAFMC guidance on level of participation.

IPT Team

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

Timing – work with Gulf Council to determine timing.

At the June 2013 meeting, the SAFMC reiterated their direction to staff to work with the GMFMC on this amendment in 2014.

IX. DOLPHIN/WAHOO AMENDMENT 5 - Brian

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

IPT Team

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

Items to be addressed:

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

Proposed timing:

- 1. VSAFMC reviews Scoping Document and approves for scoping December 2012
- 2. $\sqrt{\text{Scoping in January 2013}}$
- 3. √Review scoping comments and Options Paper March 2013
- 4. \sqrt{SSC} input at October 2012 meeting
- 5. \sqrt{AP} review March 27, 3013 in North Charleston, SC; hotel cutoff 2/27/13

Crown Plaza 4831 Tanger Outlet Blvd. North Charleston, SC 29418 Phone: 843-744-4422 or 877-747-7301

- 6. √Approve for public hearings at June 2013 Council meeting
- 7. Public hearings in August 2013. See Section XI for details.
- 8. Document preparation for public hearings:
 - a. $\sqrt{\text{Staff (Brian)}}$ revises summary and distributes to IPT done 6/20/13
 - b. $\sqrt{\text{Summary finalized}}$ and posted by COB 7/22/13

| c. | $\sqrt{\text{Staff completes amendment document by } 6/20/13 \text{ and sends to IPT.}}$ Done |
|-----------|---|
| | 6/20/13/13. |
| d. | $\sqrt{\text{IPT}}$ completes review by COB 7/5/13. |
| e. | Brian completes any edits necessary before posting – by COB 7/22/13. |
| f. | Public hearing version posted by COB 7/22/13. |
| 9. Publ | ic Hearings – August 5-15, 2013. See Section XI. For details. |
| C | omments due by 5 pm on August 23, 2013. |
| 10. AP F | Review – mail them public hearing version & get them to send in comments |
| 11. Docu | ument preparation for September 2013 meeting: |
| a. | √IPT leads send revised amendment & SG Committee Final report to IPT – |
| | done after June 2013 meeting |
| b. | IPT sections due to IPT leads – by COB/13 |
| | IPT leads finalize document – by/13 |
| d. | SEFSC/PPI/NOAA GC/IPT review prior to September meeting – done by |
| | /13. |
| | IPT leads finalize document by/13 |
| 12. Final | Review and Consideration for Formal Review at the September 16-20, 2013 |
| meet | S . |
| | ument preparation for formal review: |
| | IPT leads request review completed by |
| | Staff/IPT completes document by |
| | Council chair reviews document & proposed rule by |
| | Comments from SERO and NOAA GC received on |
| e. | Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule |
| | by |
| f. | Corrections made by |
| 14. SAF | MC sends to NMFS for formal review by Done/13. |
| | ce of Availability of Amendment |
| | Published in <i>Federal Register</i> on13. |
| | Comments due13. |
| | osed Rule published/13. |
| | Send to Council, AP & SSC |
| | Comments due by/13. |
| | Rule published/13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on13. |
| | Send to Council, AP & SSC |
| | Post to web site |
| 18. Regu | ulations effective |

X. SCIENTIFIC & STATISTICAL COMMITTEE – John

1. \sqrt{SSC} Meeting April 9-11, 2013.

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

Crowne Plaza, North Charleston. 3:00 pm 4/9 - 3:00 pm 4/11 Continuation of ORCS Workshop: April 8, 1:00 pm April 9, 3:00 PM.

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

2. SSC Meeting October 22-24, 2013

Crowne Plaza, North Charleston. 9:00 am 10/22 - 3:00 pm 10/24

- (i) Meeting request: John: Done
- (ii) TO Request: John: 7/23; Notice sent to participants 7/23; John
- (iii) FR notice JOHN: Andrea 9/23
- (iv) Agenda Topics due to John: August 6
- (v) BB materials due to John: October 1
- (vi) Briefing materials sent by October 8– Admin

TOPICS

- i. SEDAR 32 assessment (blueline tilefish) review; SSC review approach for gray triggerfish, following desk review in early 2014.
- ii. SEDAR 36, snowy grouper, review

- iii. FL Mutton Snapper Update Review
- iv. SEDAR participants, schedules, TORS for 2014 assessments red snapper, red porgy, gag
- v. SEDAR Shrimp data procedures workshop: TORS, participants, approach
- vi. ABC Control Rule evlauate PSA components
- vii. Stock Assessment recommendations basis base run and MCBS
- viii. SAFMC long term assessment priorities and priority stocks
- ix. SEFIS progress report video analysis, indices, effort and sampling summary
- x. Snapper-Grouper Amendment 22
- 3. SSC Spring 2014 Meeting April
- 4. Socio-Economic Panel (SEP) Meeting April
- 5. SSC Fall 2014 Meeting October
- 6. SSC Conference Call as needed

XI. Public Hearings and Scoping Meetings

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

1. \sqrt{Dates} and Locations for January 2013

 \sqrt{A} . Dates and locations:

Scoping/Hearings from 4-7 pm

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

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

- \sqrt{B} . Amendments:
 - 1. Snapper Grouper Amendment 27 (Myra) public hearings
 - 2. Dolphin/Wahoo Amendment 5 (Brian) scoping
- \sqrt{C} . Rooms Needed large area plus 4 rooms (1 recording and 3 for tech. presentations)
 - 1. General area (large) sign-in and get information
 - 2. Room #1 Council member & recording for public input
 - 3. Room #2 Snapper Grouper
 - 4. Room #4 Dolphin/Wahoo
- D. √Federal Register Notice
 - a. NOI documents filed -
 - b. Publish notice –
- E. $\sqrt{\text{Document preparation}}$
 - a. Public Hearings use public hearing version of document and summary.
 - i. Summary documents posted by _____
 - ii. Amendments posted by _____.
 - b. Documents available and posted on web site by 1/11/13.
 - c. Comments due by 5 pm on February 4, 2013.
 - d. Email addresses:
 - i. SGAmend27Comments@safmc.net

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

2. $\sqrt{\text{Dates}}$ and Locations for April 2013

A. $\sqrt{\text{Dates}}$ and locations:

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

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

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

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

3. $\sqrt{\text{Dates}}$ and Locations for August 2013

√A. Dates and locations: Joint GMFMC hearing (Am 19/20) in Key West week of July 15th; GMFMC handles FR notice. MAFMC (8/14) & NEFMC (prior to 8/23) hearings being arranged.

Spiny Lobster season opens on August 6th so Key Largo hearing held on August 8th. Public hearings will be held from 4-7 pm

| August 5, 2013 | August 6, 2013 |
|----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Richmond Hill City Center | Jacksonville Marriott |
| 520 Cedar Street | 4670 Salisbury Road |
| Richmond Hill, GA 31324 | Jacksonville, FL 32256 |
| Phone: 912-445-0043 | Phone: 904-296-2222 |
| August 7, 2013 | August 8, 2013 |
| Doubletree Hotel | Hilton Key Largo |
| 2080 N. Atlantic Avenue | 97000 South Overseas Highway |
| Cocoa Beach, Florida 32931 | Key Largo, Florida 33037 |
| Phone: 321-783-9222 | Phone: 305-852-5553 |
| August 13, 2013 | August 15, 2013 |
| Hilton Garden Inn Airport | BridgePointe Hotel |
| 5265 International Blvd. | 101 Howell Road |
| North Charleston, SC 29418 | New Bern, NC 28560 |
| Phone: 843-308-9330 | Phone: 877-283-7713 |

√MAFMC – we have scheduled a PH in conjunction with their August 13-15 Council meeting in Wilmington, DE. It is scheduled for 4-5 pm on 8/14; Kari needs to be in New Bern to do the PH on 8/15. We have requested they record the comments and send to us and we will have transcribed. Amendments to be covered would be Mackerel Amendments 19, 20 & Framework action; Dolphin/Wahoo Amendment 5; and the Dealer Amendment.

√NEFMC – we are working with the NEFMC to schedule a PH (probably at the Warwick airport from 4-7 p.m.) prior to the Gulf Council's August 26-30 meeting. Their next Council meeting is the week after our September meeting so would not work. We will record the comments and have transcribed. Amendments to be covered would be Dolphin/Wahoo Amendment 5 and the Dealer Amendment. Roger will fly up to do this hearing.

- √B. Amendments (6 separate amendments; 6 separate amendment documents with 6 separate summary documents):
 - 1. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 14 (Myra) public hearings
 - 2. Mackerel Amendments 19/20 and Framework (Kari) public hearings
 - 3. Dolphin/Wahoo Amendment 5 (Brian) public hearings
 - 4. Coral Amendment 8 public hearings
- \sqrt{C} . Rooms Needed large area plus 4 rooms (1 recording and 2 for tech. presentations)
 - 1. General area (large) sign-in and get information
 - 2. Room #1 Council member & recording for public input
 - 3. Room #2 Snapper Grouper & Coral
 - 4. Room #3 Mackerel & Dolphin/Wahoo

- D. √Federal Register Notice
 - a. $\sqrt{\text{Notice sent to NOAA}} \frac{7}{8}/13$
 - b. Publish notice –
- E. $\sqrt{\text{Document preparation}}$
 - a. Public Hearings use public hearing version of document and summary.
 - i. Summary documents posted by 7/22/13.
 - ii. Amendments posted by 7/22/13.
 - b. Documents available and posted on web site by 7/22/13.
 - c. Comments due by 5 pm on August 18, 2013.
 - d. Email addresses:
 - i. SGRegAm14Comments@safmc.net
 - ii. MackAm19Comments@safmc.net
 - iii. MackAm20Comments@safmc.net
 - iv. SAtlCMPFWComments@safmc.net
 - v. DWAmend5Comments@safmc.net
 - vi. CoralAm8Comments@safmc.net
 - e. Presentations (powerpoint & video) done by 7/22/13. Posted by 7/22/13.
 - f. Informal Q & A Webinars public watch presentation before Q & A; very short overview at start of webinar. All webinars start at 6 pm:
 - i. Dolphin/Wahoo 7/29/13
 - ii. Mackerel -3 together on 7/30/13
 - iii. SG & Coral 7/31/13
- F. √Staff attending hearings Myra, Kari, Anna & Brian all sites; Julie (Administrative) all sites; and Kim & Amber (I&E) all sites.
- G. $\sqrt{\text{Council chairs}}$ all confirmed; need TOs. David attending all hearings.
 - a. NC Michelle (chair); Anna Beckwith attending
 - b. SC David or Mel (chair); Christopher Conklin attending
 - c. GA Charlie (chair)
 - d. Jacksonville/Cocoa Beach Ben (chair); John Jolley attending and needs hotel room.
 - e. Key Largo Ben (chair); John Jolley attending and needs hotel room.

XII. FUTURE COUNCIL MEETING DATES & LOCATIONS

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

A. √May 13, 2013 – Special Webinar Meeting from 1-3 pm

Black Sea Bass ABC, ACLs, & ACTs

B. $\sqrt{\text{June } 10\text{-}14}$, 2013 – Stuart, Florida

Hutchinson Island Marriott

555 NE Ocean Boulevard

Stuart, FL 34996

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

C. September 16-20, 2013 – Charleston, South Carolina; hotel cutoff 8/16/13

The Charleston Marriott Hotel

170 Lockwood Boulevard

Charleston, SC 29403

Phone: 1-800-228-9290 or 843-723-3000/Fax: 843-723-0276

D. December 2-6, 2013 – Wilmington, North Carolina; hotel cutoff 11/1/13

Hilton Wilmington Riverside

301 North Water Street

Wilmington, NC 28401

Phone: 1-800-445-8667 or 910-763-5900/Fax: 910-343-6124

E. March 3-7, 2014 – Savannah, Georgia; hotel cutoff 2/3/14

Hilton Savannah DeSoto

15 East Liberty Street

Savannah, GA 31401

Phone: 1-877-280-0751 or 912-232-9000/Fax: 912-232-6018

F. June 9-13, 2014 – Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida; hotel cutoff 5/9/14

Sawgrass Marriott

1000 PGA Tour Boulevard

Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082

Phone: 1-800-457-4653 or 904-285-7777/Fax: 904-280-7009

G. September 15-19, 2014 – Charleston, South Carolina; hotel cutoff 8/14/14

The Charleston Marriott Hotel

170 Lockwood Boulevard

Charleston, SC 29403

Phone: 1-800-968-3569 or 843-723-3000/Fax: 843-723-0276

H. December 1-5, 2014 – New Bern, North Carolina; hotel cutoff 11/1/14

DoubleTree by Hilton New Bern/Riverfront

100 Middle Street

New Bern, NC 28560

Phone: 1-800-326-3745 or 252-638-3585/Fax: 252-638-8112

- I. March 2-6, 2015
- J. June 8-12, 2015
- K. September 14-18, 2015
- L. December 7-11, 2015

XIII. SPECIFIC ITEMS FROM JUNE 2013 & PRIOR MEETINGS

Tech staff – please update and insert new from this meeting.

A. Snapper Grouper – Myra

- 1. √SCHEDULE A COUNCIL MEETING VIA WEBINAR OR CONFERENCE CALL BEFORE THE JUNE 2013 MEETING TO DISCUSS ADJUSTMENT TO THE BLACK SEA BASS ABC/ACLs/ACT BASED ON RESULTS OF THE STOCK ASSESSMENT UPDATE. [Note: looking at the afternoon of Monday, May 13th or some day early that week.] Scheduled for May 13, 2013 from 1-3 pm via webinar.
- 2. REQUEST THAT STAFF COMPILE DATA ON AVERAGE CATCH OF GRAY TRIGGERFISH IN COMMERCIAL LANDINGS.
- 3. STAFF SHOULD KEEP TRACK OF ANY ACTIONS THE COUNCIL MAY NEED TO CONSIDER IN AN AMENDMENT TO THE SNAPPER GROUPER FMP TO MANAGE GRAY TRIGGERFISH, I.E., TRIP LIMITS AND DIFFERENT LIMITS FOR DIFFERENT SEASONS, ETC.
- 4. THE SNAPPER GROUPER COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO CONSIDER RESTRUCTURING OF THE SNAPPER GROUPER FMU TO REMOVE JACKS
- 5. √REQUEST THAT THE SNAPPER GROUPER AP PROVIDE INPUT ON REGIONAL ALLOCATIONS FOR BLACK SEA BASS
- 6. √CONDUCT PUBLIC HEARINGS FOR AM 30 IN THE APRIL/MAY TIMEFRAME [Note: looking at holding first hearing April 23 or 24 in North Charleston while the SG AP is in town for a meeting.] Scheduled from April 15-25, 2013. See Section XI for details.
- 7. √REQUEST THAT NMFS EXTEND THE TEMPORARY RULE FOR YELLOWTAIL SNAPPER FOR AN ADDITIONAL 186 DAYS OR UNTIL REGULATORY AMENDMENT 15 IS IMPLEMENTED. Done 3/13/13.
- 8. THE COUNCIL INTENDS TO BEGIN WORK ON A GENERIC AMENDMENT TO REVISE SECTOR ALLOCATIONS. WORK ON THIS AMENDMENT WILL BEGIN IN 2014.

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

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

C. Golden Crab - Brian

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

D. Mackerel – Kari

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

E. Dolphin Wahoo – Brian

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

F. Shrimp – Anna

1. None.

G. Law Enforcement - Myra

1. Prepare a letter to request that the Commercial Fishing Safety Advisory Committee of the U.S. Coast Guard include broader representation of the commercial fisheries in the South Atlantic region.

H. SEDAR - John

- Send memos to SEDAR coordinators addressing appointments and approvals (Done)
- 2. Send annual research plan to SEFSC

I. SSC Selection - John

1. Send letters to SSC applicants and appointees

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

- √Make any necessary revisions to the Joint South Atlantic/Gulf of Mexico Generic Charter/Headboat Reporting in the South Atlantic Amendment and codified text and send for formal review prior to the June Council meeting. Done 4/23.
- 2. Schedule a NOAA GC presentation to identify how the South Atlantic Council is meeting the MSA requirement for a bycatch monitoring program at the September 2013 meeting.
- 3. Joint South Atlantic/Gulf of Mexico Generic Logbook Reporting Amendment:
 - a. Continue working with the Gulf Council to develop this amendment
 - b. Coordinate with the SEFSC on removal of several reporting items on the commercial logbook form and provide a status report at the June 2013 meeting
 - c. Work with the SEFSC to develop a schedule of meetings/workgroup with commercial fishermen in the Gulf and South Atlantic to work on developing the electronic logbook and bring back to the committee at the June 2013 meeting
 - d. Direct the IPT to work on the wording and structure of the action/alternatives and bring back to the committee at the June 2013 meeting

- 4. Coordinate with the Gulf Council to approve their regulatory amendment to the CMP FMP on Gulf Headboat Reporting.
- 5. Directed staff to keep the South Atlantic Council informed of progress on the Gulf Council's Generic Amendment addressing Charter Reporting
 - a. Schedule a presentation from MRIP on the Gulf Charterboat Pilot Study at the June 2013 meeting
 - b. Appoint a South Atlantic Council staff member to participate on the subcommittee working on coordinating potential changes to charterboat reporting with MRIP
- 6. Work with the Gulf Council on a generic amendment to address charterboat reporting

M. Full Council – Bob

- $\sqrt{1}$. Tarpon letter done 7/22/12.
- $\sqrt{2}$. Request Council receive status updates from Protected Resources staff at each Council meeting while there are ongoing formal consultations. Action: Added to Protected Resources Committee agendas.
- $\sqrt{3}$. Letter to NMFS Regional Administrator recommending that he not approve the FEP request for Caribbean spider crab research done 7/22/12.

XIV. September 16-20, 2013 - Charleston, SC - DRAFT

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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- 6. BRIEFING BOOK CDs MAILED (VIA OVERNIGHT) BY 8/29/2013.
- 7. SECOND BRIEFING BOOK CD (All Final Items) READY FOR BURNING/COPYING AT 9 A.M. AND MAILED (**OVERNIGHT**) ON 9/9/2013.

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| Bob – memo to Mike McLemore/Monica [Note: How we are meeting bycatch requirements. Presentation to Data Collection Committee] Done |
| Bob – memo to Roy [Note: see committees & Council presentations below. Done |
| Bob – memo to Bonnie [Note: see committee & Council presentations below. Done |
| Informal Q & A with Roy & David – Wednesday evening beginning at 5:30 pr |

- A. New Council Member Swearing-In Dr. Roy Crabtree
- B. Council Member Workshop (TAB 1) Monday 9:00 am noon: What do we want our fisheries to look like?
 - (1) Presentations:
 - a) Review Objectives Kari/Amber
 - b) Logic Model Amber
 - (2) Council Discussion Michelle Duval, SG Committee Chair
 - (3) Direction to Staff on Next Steps & Port Meetings– Michelle Duval

C. Ecosystem-Based Management Committee (Anna) (TAB 2) – Monday 1:30 – 2:30 pm

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

D. Dolphin/Wahoo Committee (Brian) (TAB 3) – Monday 2:30 pm – 4:00 pm

- (1) Review of Public Hearing Comments Brian
- (2) Dolphin/Wahoo Amendment 5 (ABC/ACL, AM Modifications, Framework & Trip Limits) Brian
 - a. Overview Brian
 - b. Committee Action & Approve Amendment 5 for formal review Vice-Chair John Jolley
 - c. Committee Action & Approve Codified Text for Amendment 5 Vice-Chair John Jolley

E. SEDAR (John) (TAB 4) – Monday 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

- (1) SEDAR Activities Update
- (2) SEDAR Administrative actions (possible SEDAR 38 (king mackerel) recreational AP appointment)
- (3) 2015 Assessment Priorities
- (4) Long term assessment planning and priorities

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

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

- c. Committee Action & Approve Regulatory Amendment 14 for formal review Michelle Duval
- d. Committee Action & Approve Codified Text for Regulatory Amendment 14 Michelle Duval
- (6) Snapper Grouper Amendment 29 (ORCS Revisions to Control Rule)
 - a. Overview Myra
 - b. Committee provide guidance Michelle Duval
- (7) Snapper Grouper Amendment 22 (Tags to track harvest)
 - a. Overview of Options Myra
 - b. Committee provide guidance Michelle Duval
- (8) Regulatory Amendment 16 (Removal of BSB Pot Closure)
 - a. Overview of Amendment Myra/Kari
 - b. Committee Action & Guidance Michelle Duval
- (9) Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 17 (MPAs and HAPCs for Speckled Hind & Warsaw Grouper)
 - a. Overview Gregg/Roger
 - b. Purpose & Need Committee Action Michelle Duval
 - c. Selection of Sites that meet criteria of reconfiguration and target spawning Committee Action Michelle Duval
 - d. Provide guidance on timing Committee Action Michelle Duval
- (10) Others???

G. Mackerel Committee (Kari) (TAB 6) – Wednesday 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm

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

(7) Other items?

H. AP Selection (Kim) (TAB 7) (Closed) – Thursday 8:30 am – 9:30 am

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

I. Protected Resources Committee (Kari) (TAB 8) – Thursday 9:30 am – 11:00 am

- (1) Status of ongoing consultations
- (2) Presentation on Biology/Behavior and Atlantic Large Whale Take Reduction Plan Proposed Rule, and BSB Pot/Right Whale Co-occurrence Model
- (3) ESA Working Group update
- (4) Others?

J. Executive/Finance (Bob/Mike) (TAB 9) – Thursday 11:00 am – 12:00 noon

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

K. Data Collection Committee (Gregg) (TAB 10) – Thursday 1:30 – 3:30 pm

- (1) Status of Joint GMFMC/SAFMC Generic SG, D/W & CMP Amendment (For-hire reporting in SAFMC's area) NMFS SERO
- (2) Status of Framework for Headboat Reporting in the Gulf NMFS SERO
- (3) Re-approval of Joint SA/GM Generic Dealer Permit Amendment & Codified Text
 - a. Review public hearing comments
 - b. Review changes to the amendment
 - c. Approve amendment for formal review
 - d. Approve codified text for formal review
- (4) How the South Atlantic Council is meeting the MSA requirement for a bycatch monitoring program NOAA GC
- (5) CE-BA 3 (Bycatch)
 - a. Status Anna
 - b. Committee guidance Michelle Duval
 - c. Overview & results of GMFMC Actions Gregg
 - d. Committee guidance and approval for formal review?- Michelle Duval
- (6) SEFSC Presentation on Sample Sizes for Individual Species Targets & What was achieved
 - a. Presentation Bonnie Ponwith
 - b. Committee discussion and action Michelle Duval
- (7) Joint GMFMC/SAFMC Generic Commercial Logbook Reporting Amendment Gregg
 - a. SEFSC Presentation on the details of the commercial electronic logbook pilot project Bonnie Ponwith
 - b. Committee guidance and action Michelle Duval
- (8) GMFMC Generic Charterboat Reporting Amendment Gregg

- a. Overview & results of GMFMC Actions Gregg
- b. Committee guidance Michelle Duval
- L. 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.
- M. Council Session (TAB 11) (with public comment period) Thursday beginning at 4:00 pm
 - I. Amendments for Final Council Action and Public Comment:
 - (1) Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 14 (Multiple Species)
 - (2) Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 5 (ABC/ACL, AM Modifications, Framework & Trip Limits)
 - (3) Coral Amendment 8 (Coral HAPCs & Transit Through Oculina HAPC)
 - (4) Mackerel Amendment 19 (Bag limit sales & Permits)
 - (5) Mackerel Amendment 20 (Boundaries & Timing)
 - (6) Mackerel Framework (Transfer at Sea/Trip Limits)
 - (7) Joint Dealer Amendment
 - (8) CE-BA 3 (Bycatch reporting)
 - II. Elections Friday 8:30 am

III. Presentations

- 1. Tom Swatzel
- 2. Presentation of Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Award for 2012
- 3. Chair/Vice Chair

IV. Committee Reports & Other Items

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

- A. Visioning Report (TAB 1) ACTION
- B. Joint Habitat/Ecosystem Committee Report (TAB 2) ACTION
- C. Dolphin/Wahoo Committee Report (TAB 3) ACTION
- D. SEDAR Committee Report (TAB 4) ACTION
- E. Snapper Grouper Committee Report (TAB 5) ACTION
- F. Mackerel Committee Report (TAB 6) ACTION
- G. AP Selection Committee Report (TAB 7) ACTION
- H. Protected Resources Committee Report (TAB 8) ACTION
- I. Executive/Finance Committee (TAB 9) ACTION
- J. Ad Hoc Data Collection Committee Report (TAB 10) ACTION
- K. NMFS SERO Presentations (material is to be provided to the SAFMC office by noon on ______ for inclusion in the briefing book):
 - (a) Status of Recreational and Commercial Catches versus ACLs
 - (b) Status of Recreational and Commercial Quota Monitoring Tables on SERO Web Site

- (e) Other issues?
- K. NMFS SEFSC Presentations (material is to be provided to the SAFMC office by noon on _____ for inclusion in the briefing book):
 - (a) Status of Bycatch Collection Programs
 - (b) Progress reports on headboat data entry
- L. Review Experimental Fishing Permits as necessary ACTION

XV. December 2-6, 2013 – Wilmington, NC – DRAFT –

Hilton Wilmington Riverside 301 North Water Street Wilmington, NC 28401

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

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

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

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

- (1) Status of Coral Amendment 8 (Coral HAPCs & Transit Through Oculina HAPC) SERO
- (2) Report on November 5-6, 2013 Habitat and Environmental Protection Advisory Panel Meeting Roger
- (3) Update on Ecosystem Activities
 - a. Review Updated and New Habitat Policy Statements developed in cooperation with the Habitat Advisory Panel Roger

C. Protected Resources Committee (Kari) (TAB 3) – Monday 3:00 pm – 4:30 pm

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

D. SEDAR (John) (TAB 4) (Portions Closed) – Monday 4:30 pm – 5:30 pm

- (1) SEDAR Activities Update
- (2) SEDAR Administrative actions: SEDAR 41 approvals and appointments; Gag update approvals
- (3) SEDAR Steering Committee Meeting Report David Cupka
- (4) 2016 2018 Assessment Priorities

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

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

- 9. Regulatory Amendment 16 (Removal of Black Sea Bass Pot Closure)
 - a. Overview Gregg
 - b. Committee provide guidance on timing and next steps Michelle Duval
- 10. Snapper Grouper Amendment 29 (Allocations & ORCS)
 - a. Overview Myra
 - b. Committee provide guidance Michelle Duval
- 11. Snapper Grouper Amendment 22 (Tags to track harvest)
 - a. Overview of Options Myra
 - b. Committee provide guidance Michelle Duval
- 12. Others???

F. Mackerel Committee (Kari) (TAB 6) – Wednesday 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm

- (1) Status of Commercial Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs NMFS SERO
- (2) Status of Recreational Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs NMFS SERO
- (3) Status of Joint SA/GM Mackerel Amendment 19 NMFS SERO
- (4) Status of Joint SA/GM Mackerel Amendment 20 NMFS SERO
- (5) Status of South Atlantic Mackerel Framework NMFS SERO
- (6) Potential Items for CMP Amendment 22 (Allocations)
- (7) Other items?

G. AP Selection Committee (Closed) (Kim) (TAB 7) – Thursday 8:30 am – 9:30 am

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

H. SSC Selection Committee (Portions Closed) (John) (TAB 8) – Thursday 9:30 am – 10:30 am

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

I. Executive/Finance (Bob/Mike) (TAB 9) – Thursday 11:00 am – 12:00 noon

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

J. Data Collection Committee (Gregg) (TAB 10) – Thursday 3:00 – 5:00 pm

- (1) Status of Joint SA/GM Generic Dealer Permit NMFS SERO
- (2) Status of Joint GMFMC/SAFMC Generic SG, D/W & CMP Amendment (For-hire reporting in SAFMC's area) NMFS SERO
- (3) Presentation on Pilot Study on Electronic Logbooks in the For-Hire Sector in the Gulf
- (4) CMP Framework for Headboat Reporting in the Gulf Gregg

- a. Overview & results of GMFMC Actions Gregg
- b. Committee guidance and approval for formal review?- Michelle Duval
- (5) Joint GMFMC/SAFMC Generic Commercial Logbook Reporting Amendment Gregg
 - a. Overview & results of GMFMC Actions Gregg
 - b. Committee guidance and approval for next steps Michelle Duval
- (6) GMFMC Generic Charterboat Reporting Amendment Gregg
 - a. Overview & results of GMFMC Actions Gregg
- b. Committee guidance on role/involvement of SAFMC Michelle Duval (7) SEFSC Sampling Protocols
- K. Open informal public question and answer session with NMFS
 Administrator Dr. Roy Crabtree and Council Chairman David Cupka –
 Tuesday beginning at 5:30 p.m.
- L. Public Comments Wednesday beginning at 5:30 p.m.
- M. Council Session (TAB 11) (with public comment period) Friday 8:-0 am 5:00 pm
 - I. Presentations ????

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II. Final Council Action and Comment:

(1)

III. Council Approval for Scoping and/or Public Hearings
(2)

IV. Committee Reports & Other Items

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

- A. Visioning Report (TAB 1) ACTION
- B. Joint Habitat/Ecosystem Committee Report (TAB 2) ACTION
- C. Protected Resources Committee Report (TAB 3) ACTION
- D. SEDAR Committee Report (TAB 4) ACTION
- E. Snapper Grouper Committee Report (TAB 5) ACTION
- F. Mackerel Committee Report (TAB 6) ACTION
- G. AP Selection Committee Report (TAB 7) ACTION
- H. SSC Selection Committee Report (TAB 8) ACTION
- I. Executive/Finance Committee (TAB 9) ACTION
- J. Data Collection Committee Report (TAB 10) ACTION
- K. NMFS SERO Presentations (material is to be provided to the SAFMC office by noon on ______ for inclusion in the briefing book):
 - (a) Status of Commercial Catches versus ACLs
 - (b) Status of Recreational and Commercial Quota Monitoring Tables on SERO Web Site
 - (d) Status of Shrimp Amendment 9
 - (e) Other issues?

- N. NMFS SEFSC Presentations (material is to be provided to the SAFMC office by noon on _____ for inclusion in the briefing book):
 - (a)
 - Status of Bycatch Collection Programs
 Progress reports on headboat data entry (b)
 - Status of Recreational Catches versus ACLs (c)
- O. Review Experimental Fishing Permits as necessary ACTION

XVI. March 3-7, 2013 - Savannah, GA - DRAFT

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

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

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

- A. √At the March 2013 meeting, the Council directed staff to develop a regulatory amendment to address the SEDAR results for black sea bass and to schedule a special Council meeting via webinar on May 13, 2013.
- B. √Council to review public comments and amendment at May 13, 2013 meeting and approve for formal review.
- C. √Send to Secretary of Commerce on May 14, 2013. Done 5/20 and revised and resubmitted on 5/22.
- D. $\sqrt{\text{Proposed rule published on } 7/2/13}$.
- E. Final regulations effective _____ (target is prior to season closing during 2013).

2. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 14/EA- Myra

A. \Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at June meeting

- a. Greater amberjack fishing year
- b. Gray triggerfish size limit & measurement (FL vs TL)
- c. Black sea bass fishing year recreational and commercial
- d. Vermilion snapper commercial fishing year & recreational AMs.
- e. Grouper aggregate recreational bag limit increase the gag bag limit within the aggregate
- f. Gag commercial trip limit
- g. Hogfish minimum size limit
- B. VCouncil review and provides guidance at March 2013 meeting
- C. √AP & SSC reviews in April 2013
- D. VCouncil Approves for public hearings at June 2013 meeting
- E. Public hearings August 2013
- F. Public comment at September 2013 meeting
- G. Council final approval at September 2013 meeting
- H. Send to Secretary of Commerce October 30, 2013
- I. Proposed rule published on ______.
- J. Final regulations effective _____

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

| A. | √At the December 2012 meeting, the Council moved commercial logbook reporting from CE-BA 3 and directed staff to develop a joint amendment with the Gulf Council. |
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| B. | √Gulf Council approved at their February 2013 meeting |
| | √SAFMC provide guidance at March 2013 meeting on approach and timing |
| | SSC input at meeting in |
| E. | APs reviews |
| F. | APs reviews Approve for public hearings at |
| G. | Public hearings in |
| Н. | Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in |
| T | Send for formal review in |
| | Proposed Rule published on |
| | Final regulations effective |
| 11. | That regulations effective |
| | Joint Mackerel Amendment 19 (Permits & Sale) – Kari |
| A. | √SAFMC reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper – March 2012 |
| А. В. | $\sqrt{\text{SSC}}$ input at April 3-5, 2012 meeting in Savannah, GA |
| В. С. | √AP reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper – April 24-25, 2012 |
| | Approve for public hearings at June. At the June 2012 meeting, the Council made |
| D. | 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. | |
| 1. | September. Now likely in March 2013. |
| G | √Joint SA/GM meeting March 2013 |
| | $\sqrt{\text{SSC}}$ and AP review April 2013 |
| | √Approve for public hearings June 2013 |
| | Public hearings August 2013 |
| | Approve for formal review September 2013 |
| | Send to Secretary of Commerce |
| | Proposed rule published on |
| | Final regulations effective |
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5. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 16/EA (Golden Tilefish) - Myra

| Tilefish) – Myra | |
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| A. VCouncil directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment | at September 2012 |
| meeting | |
| B. VOptions reviewed at March 2013 Council meeting | |
| C. √SSC & AP review – April 2013 | |
| D. Approve for public hearings – June 2013 Council meeting | |
| E. Public hearings August 6-16, 2013 | |
| F. Review public hearing Council final approval at March 2013 me | e ting |
| G. Send to Secretary of Commerce by March 31, 2013. Done | • |
| H. Proposed rule published on | |
| I. Final regulations effective | |
| 5. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 16/EA (| Black Sea |
| Bass) – Myra | |
| A. \(\sqrt{Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment)}\) | at June 2013 meeting |
| B. Options reviewed at September 2013 Council meeting | C |
| C. SSC & AP review – | |
| D. Approve for public hearings – | |
| E. Public hearings – | |
| F. Review public hearing Council final approval at meeting | |
| G. Send to Secretary of Commerce by March 31, 2013. Done | • |
| H. Proposed rule published on | |
| I. Final regulations effective | |
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| 6. Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 5/EA (ABC/ACL adjus | stment, |
| Allocations, Sale & Framework) - Brian | |
| A. \(\sqrt{Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment)}\) | at September meeting |
| B. VCouncil review at December meeting and approve for scoping | |
| C. √Scope in January | |
| D. $\sqrt{\text{Review comments}}$ and provide guidance at March 2013 meeting | g |
| E. √Approve for public hearings at June 2013 meeting | |
| F. Public hearings in August 2013 | |
| G. Council final approval at September 2013 meeting | |
| H. Send to Secretary of Commerce by October 30, 2013. Done | • |
| I. Proposed rule published on | |
| J. Final regulations effective | |

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

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

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

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

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

- A. \sqrt{SAFMC} reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper March 2012
- B. $\sqrt{\text{SSC}}$ 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 2012meeting, the Council made changes and requested a Joint SA/GM Mackerel Committee meeting be held prior to public hearings.
- E. Public hearings in August 2012; now likely in January/February 2013.
- F. Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in September 2012. Now likely in March 2013.
- G. √Joint SA/GM meeting March 2013

H. \sqrt{SSC} and AP review April 2013 I. $\sqrt{\text{Approve for public hearings June 2013}}$ J. Public hearings August 2013 K. Approve for formal review September 2013 L. Send to Secretary of Commerce _____ M. Proposed rule published on _____. N. Final regulations effective ______. 9. Snapper Grouper Amendment 29/EA or EIS (Allocations, ORCS) revisions) - Myra A. Council will discuss at June 2013 meeting. Snapper Grouper Amendment 22 (Red Snapper Tag System to *10.* track harvest) - Myra AT THE JUNE 2012 MEETING, THE COUNCIL REQUESTED TO CONTINUE DEVELOPMENT OF AMENDMENT 22 SPECIFICALLY TO EXPLORE A TAG PROGRAM FOR RED SNAPPER THAT WOULD BE ADMINISTERED BY NOAA FISHERIES. THE TAGS WOULD BE DISTRIBUTED THROUGH A LOTTERY SYSTEM. THE TAGS WOULD BE SUBJECT TO THE COMMERCIAL/REC ALLOCATION AT THE SEPTEMBER 2012 MEETING, THE COUNCIL REQUESTED TO CONTINUE DEVELOPMENT OF AMENDMENT 22 SPECIFICALLY TO EXPLORE A RECREATIONAL TAG PROGRAM FOR RED SNAPPER, GOLDEN TILEFISH, SNOWY GROUPER & WRECKFISH THAT WOULD BE ADMINISTERED BY NOAA FISHERIES. OPTIONS ARE TO BE PRESENTED TO THE COMMITTEE AT THE JUNE OR SEPTEMBER 2013 MEETING. AT THE JUNE 2013 MEETING, THE COUNCIL REQUESTED THE AMENDMENT BE MODIFIED TO REMOVE ALL REFERENCE TO SPECIFIC SPECIES AND MAKE AMENDMENT 22 MORE OF A FRAMEWORK FOR A TAG PROGRAM THAT COULD BE APPLIED TO ANY SNAPPER GROUPER SPECIES WITH A LOW RECREATIONAL ACL. A. Proposed timing – goal is to implement for 2014 or 2015 fishing year. B. Appoint IPT Team members C. NMFS determines EA or EIS D. Options Paper for June 2013 Council meeting; Council provides guidance E. Options Paper for September 2013 Council meeting; Council provides guidance F. Council chooses preferreds and approve for public hearings at Council meeting G. Public hearings to be held in ______

H. Approve for formal review at _____ Council meeting

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

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

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

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

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

13. Fishery Ecosystem Plan II - Roger

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

14. Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment 3 - Anna

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

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

\sqrt{A} . Snapper Grouper Amendment 18B – Myra

Amendment 18B (Golden Tilefish) - Myra

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

B. Joint SA/GM Dealer Amendment - Gregg

- A. \sqrt{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. $\sqrt{\text{Approve for public hearings at June 2012}}$
- E. √Public hearings in August 2012
- F. √Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in September 2012
- G. $\sqrt{\text{Sent for formal review in October 2012.}}$ Done 10/30/12.
- H. √NOAA GC identified some items that the Council needed to review and approve after the document had been submitted:
 - a. SAFMC reviewed and approved at March 2013 meeting.
 - b. GMFMC review and approve at April 2013 meeting.
- I. $\sqrt{\text{Re-sent for formal review in April 2013.}}$ Done 4/24/13.
- J. Notice of availability of Amendment published on _____
- K. Proposed Rule published on _____.
- L. Final regulations effective _____.

\sqrt{c} . Shrimp Amendment 9 – Anna

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

- F. √Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in September 2012
- G. $\sqrt{\text{Sent for formal review in October 2012.}}$ Done 11/16/12.
- H. $\sqrt{\text{Notice of availability of amendment published on } 3/4/13.}$ $\sqrt{\text{Amendment approved on } 5/29/13.}$
- I. $\sqrt{\text{Proposed Rule published on } 3/20/13}$.
- J. $\sqrt{\text{Final Rule published on } 6/13/13}$.
- K. $\sqrt{\text{Final regulations effective 7/15/13}}$.

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

- A. \(\sqrt{Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at June meeting)
- B. √Council review at September December meeting
- C. √Public comment at September December meeting
- D. VCouncil final approval at September December meeting
- E. $\sqrt{\text{Send}}$ to Secretary of Commerce by December 14, 2012. Done 12/17/12.
- F. $\sqrt{\text{Proposed rule published on } 3/21/13 \text{ with comments due by } 4/22/13.}$
- G. $\sqrt{\text{Final rule published on } 6/17/13}$.
- H. $\sqrt{\text{Final regulations effective }7/17/13}$.

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

- A. VCouncil directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at September meeting
- B. √Council review at December meeting
- C. √Public comment at December meeting
- D. $\sqrt{\text{Council final approval at December meeting}}$
- E. $\sqrt{\text{Send}}$ to Secretary of Commerce by December 14, 2012. Changed to January 2013. Done 3/1/13.
- F. $\sqrt{\text{Proposed rule published on } 5/24/13}$ with comments due by 6/24/13.
- G. Final regulations effective ______.

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

- A. √Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at September 2012 meeting initially as part of Regulatory Amendment 14 but then determined needed to be a plan amendment by NOAA GC
- B. √Council review at December 2012 meeting
- C. √Public comment at December 2012 meeting
- D. $\sqrt{\text{Council final approval at December 2012 meeting}}$
- E. √Send to Secretary of Commerce by December 14, 2012. Changed to January 2013. Done 1/24/13.
- F. $\sqrt{\text{Proposed rule published on } 4/29/13}$.
- G. Final regulations effective ______.

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

- A. √Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at September 2012 meeting
- B. VCouncil review at December 2012 meeting and approve for public hearings
- C. √Public hearings in January 2013 and public comment at March 2013 meeting
- D. √Council final approval at March 2013 meeting
- E. $\sqrt{\text{Send}}$ to Secretary of Commerce by March 31, 2013. Done 5/23/13.
- F. Proposed rule published on ______.
- G. Final regulations effective _____.

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

- A. $\sqrt{\text{At}}$ the December 2012 meeting, the Council directed staff to develop a regulatory amendment to address the SEDAR results for vermilion snapper and red porgy.
- B. √Council to review public comments and amendment at March 2013 meeting and approve for formal review.
- C. $\sqrt{\text{Send}}$ to Secretary of Commerce for Formal Review. Done 4/12/13.
- D. $\sqrt{\text{Proposed rule published on } 5/8/13}$.
- E. $\sqrt{\text{Final regulations effective }}9/5/13.$

I. Golden Crab Amendment 6 - Brian

- \sqrt{A} . Scope for a Golden Crab LAP Amendment in November 2009.
- \sqrt{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.
- \sqrt{D} . NMFS determination of EA or EIS done by _____ 2010. EA decision.
- \sqrt{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.

- \sqrt{F} . December 6-10, 2010 Council meeting choose preferred alternatives.
- \sqrt{G} . December 5-9-7-11, 2011 Council meeting approve for public hearings.
- √H. Public hearings Jan/Feb 2012May 2011
- √I. March 2012June 13-17, 2011 Council meeting review public hearing comments and approve all actions.
- J. √June 2012September 12-16, 2011 Council meeting review complete document and approve for formal review. Council provided guidance and revised alternatives at June meeting. Also directed staff to meet with permit holders.
- K. √September 10-14, 2012 Council meeting review complete document and approve for formal review. Council provided guidance and revised alternatives at September

| | L. | meeting; also directed staff to meet with AP and bring document back at March 2013 meeting. √At the March 2013 meeting, the Council approved two motions: (a) For the Council to stop work on Amendment 6, including both the catch share and non-catch share actions. (b) Directed staff to work with the relevant APs regarding examination of modifying the northern limit of the northern zone golden crab fishing area. |
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| | M. | Send to Secretary of Commerce |
| | N. | Final regulations implemented |
| J. Ati | | Joint SA/GM Generic For-Hire Reporting Amendment (South otic Only) – Gregg |
| | A. | √At the December 2012 meeting, the Council moved for-hire reporting from CE- |
| | | BA 3 and directed staff to develop a joint amendment with the Gulf Council. |
| | B. | √Gulf Council approved for formal review at their February 2013 meeting |
| | C. | √SAFMC reviews comments, modify and approve for formal review in March 2013. |
| | D. | $\sqrt{\text{Send for formal review by March 31, 2013.}}$ Done 4/23/13. |
| | | Proposed Rule published on |
| | | Final regulations effective |
| К. | | Joint SA/GM Charterboat Reporting Amendment – Gregg |
| 11, | | |
| | A. | √At the December 2012 meeting, the Council moved commercial logbook reporting from CE-BA 3 and directed staff to develop a joint amendment with the Gulf Council. |
| | R | √Gulf Council approved at their February 2013 meeting |
| | | √SAFMC provide guidance at March 2013 meeting on approach and timing |
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| | | SSC input at meeting in |
| | | APs reviews |
| | | Approve for public hearings at |
| | | Public hearings in |
| | H. | Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in |

I. Send for formal review in ______.

J. Proposed Rule published on ______.

K. Final regulations effective _____.

L. Analysis of Voluntary IFQ

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

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| (as of March 2013) | | | 102 | | - 4 | | | | 7.5 | | | 1.51 | | | | | | | | | | | | -121 | |
| Done | Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 13 Adj ACLs MRFSS/MRIP Calibration | | | | | | | | | | | | P/F/S | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 14 Multiple Species | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | | | | 0 | | | Ah | | P | A/F/S | | | |
| Done | Emergency Rule for Yellowtail Snapper | | | | | | | | | S | | | | | | | | | 7 | | • | 70170 | | | |
| Done | Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 15 Yellowtail Snapper, Gag Trigger & Red Snapper | | | | | | | | | | | | P/F | S | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | SG Reg Am 16 Golden Tilefish (2wk on & 2 off) Remove BSB Pot Closure | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | Ah | | | 0 | | | P/A |
| 8 | Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 17 MPAs Speckled Hind/Warsaw | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | 0 | | | | | | 0 | | | |
| Done | Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 18 (Vermilion & Red Porgy) | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | P/F/S | | | | | | | | | |
| 1 (Done) | Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 19 Black Sea Bass | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | P/F/S | | | | | | | |
| Done | Generic Amendment: For-Hire Reporting in South Atlantic Only | | | | | | | | | | | | Α | | | P/F/S | | | | | | | $\overline{}$ | | |
| 10 | Snapper Grouper Amendment 22 (Tags to track catches of Red Snapper, Golden Tile, Snowy | & Wre | ckfish |) | | | | | | 0 | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | 0 | | | |
| Done | Snapper Grouper Amendment 27 Blue Runner/Yellowtail & Mutton Management | | | | | | | | | | | | Ah | Р | | A/F/S | | | | | | | | | |
| Done | Snapper Grouper Amendment 28 Red Snapper Framework | | | | | | | | | | | | P/F | S | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 9 | Snapper Grouper Am 29 & D-W Am X (Allocations, ORCS revisions to Control Rule) 2014 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Discus | s | | | | | As |
| 7 | Snapper Grouper Amendment 30 (VMS) | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | Ah | Р | | A/F/S | Ī | | | | | |
| 6 | Dolphin/Wahoo Amendment 5 (Fmwk, ABC/ACL adj, Alloc) | | | | | | | | | | | | AS | Ps | | 0 | | | Ah | | Р | A/F/S | | | |
| work halted | Golden Crab Amendment 6 (Catch Shares) | Р | Р | | | | | | | | | | | | | Discuss | | | | | | | | | |
| 13 | Fishery Ecosystem Plan (Update #1) - start in 2014 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | As |
| 14 | Comprehensive Ecoystem-Based Amendment #3(2012), #4(2013) & #5(2014) - Bycatch | Ps | Ps | 0 | | | Ah | NDC | P/N | | | | | | | A/F/S | | | | | | | | | As |
| 12 | Coral Amendment 8 (Coral HAPCs & Transit thru Oculina Bank HAPC) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Α | | | Ah | | Р | A/F/S | | | |
| | Shrimp Closure Work (if required; done in 2011) | | | Α | | | | | | | | | | | | Α | | | | | | | | | |
| Done | Shrimp Amendment 9 (Closure process & MSST) | Ps | Ps | 0 | | | Ah | NDC | P/N | A/F/S | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | Joint Mackerel Amendment 19 (Prohibit Bag Limit Sales & Permits) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Ah | | Р | A/F/S | | | |
| 9 | Joint Mackerel Amendment 20 (Boundaries & Timing) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | Ah | | P | A/F/S | | | |
| 11 | South Atlantic CMP Framework (Size/Bag/Trip Limits) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 0 | | | Ah | | P | A/F/S | | | |
| 3 | Joint SA/GM Amendment (Commercial Logbooks) - timing needs to be determined | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Gulf Regulatory Amendment (Headboat Reporting in Gulf of Mexico only) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | P/F/S | | | A/F/S | | | | | | |
| | Joint Spiny Lobster Amendment 11 (NMFS lead; Protected Resources Issues) | Р | Р | F/S | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Generic Amendment to Re-Examine Sector Allocations (2014) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | As |
| | Joint GM/SA Dealer Amendment | Ps | Ps | | | | Ah | NDC | P/N | A/F | S | | | | | P/F/S | | | | | | P/F/S | | | |
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| | Workshops with Hishermen - start in 2012 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | Calico Scallop FMP? (Separate FMP or Include in a Comprehensive FEP Am) | | _ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Red = New Amendments added during December 2012 meeting | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | D = Plan development | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | O = Develop options/review options paper | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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Exhibit 1. Council-approved activity schedule as of December 2012 meeting.