

**GULF COUNCIL MOTIONS  
APRIL 16-APRIL 19, 2012  
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS**

**Mackerel**

**Amendment 19**

Motion: In Action 1, to direct staff to add an Alternative 4 which would require that for a person to sell king or Spanish mackerel in or from the EEZ of the Gulf of Mexico or Atlantic, those fish must have been harvested aboard a vessel with a commercial vessel permit/endorsement for each species taken and prohibit the sale of king or Spanish mackerel caught under the bag limit.

**Motion carried with no opposition.**

Motion: In Action 1, Alternative 3, to remove “South Atlantic Council” and to add Option a. Gulf Council and Option b. South Atlantic Council to read as follows:

**Alternative 3:** Prohibit the sale of king and Spanish mackerel caught under the bag limit except for allowing sale by for-hire vessels that possess the necessary state and federal commercial permits to sell CMP species harvested in or from:

**Option a.** the South Atlantic Council’s jurisdiction

**Option b.** the Gulf Council’s jurisdiction.

Prohibition of sale during a commercial closure would apply.

**Motion carried.**

Motion: In Action 1, to move Alternative 2 to the considered but rejected section.

**Alternative 2:** For a person to sell king or Spanish mackerel in or from the EEZ of the Atlantic or Gulf of Mexico, those fish must have been harvested aboard a vessel with a commercial vessel permit/endorsement for each species taken.

**Motion carried with no opposition.**

Motion: In Action 4, to eliminate Option c.

**Option c.** Six years before the control date (2004-2009).

- i. Average of all years
- ii. Average of the best five of six years
- iii. At least one of the six years
- iv. At least two of the six years
- v. At least three of the six years

**Motion carried with no opposition.**

Motion: In Action 5, to eliminate Option c.

**Option c.** Five years (2004/2005-2008/2009 or 2005/2006-2009/2010)

- i. Average of all years
- ii. Average of the best four of five years
- iii. At least one of the five years
- iv. At least two of the five years

**Motion carried with no opposition.**

Motion: To move Action 6 to the considered but rejected section.

**Action 6** – Passive Reduction of Permits

**Motion carried with no opposition.**

### **Mackerel 20**

Motion: To move Action 1 to the considered but rejected section.

**Action 1** - Consider modifications to the existing commercial fishery boundary line between the Gulf group king mackerel eastern zone and western zone (currently set at the Alabama - Florida border [87°31'06"]).

**Motion carried with no opposition.**

Motion: In Action 2, to request staff to add an Alternative 4 that develops alternatives to permit access to the king mackerel fishery by those just north of the Collier/Lee boundary.

**Motion carried.**

Motion: In Action 2, to eliminate Alternative 3.

**Alternative 3:** Eliminate the northern subzone and add the assigned allocation to the western zone based on any of the boundaries chosen in Action 1.

**Motion carried with no opposition.**

Motion: To add a new Action 11 to Amendment 20 as shown in Tab C, No. 5(a) to make the changes to the framework as discussed with staff at Council.

**Motion carried with no opposition.**