

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

### ACTIONS RESULTING FROM: SEPTEMBER 10-14, 2012 COUNCIL MEETING

TIMING:

 $\sqrt{\text{SAFMC Draft by: } 9/18/12.}$  Done 9/25/12.

 $\sqrt{\text{Distribute to NMFS SERO by: }9/21/12.}$  Done 9/25/12.

√Approved by SAFMC & NMFS Staffs: 10/4/12.

 $\sqrt{\text{SAFMC}}$  Staff approved based on directions from Council at most recent meeting and review on 9/18/12, 9/20/12 and 9/24/12.

 $\sqrt{\text{NMFS}}$  Staff approved based on internal review and resolution of questions raised. Done 10/4/12. This approval is for planning purposes and it must be recognized that changing priorities within the agency may impact timing. If this should happen, NMFS staff will inform SAFMC staff as soon as possible so that appropriate adjustments can be made to the timing of deliverables, etc.

 $\sqrt{\text{Distribute to Council members \& others by 9/29/12.}}$  Done 10/5/12.

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#### I. SNAPPER GROUPER

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

- A. Develop an Evaluation Plan for the Experimental Closed Area with needed research and monitoring studies and an enforcement/outreach program to be completed within 1 year of implementation of Snapper Grouper Amendment 13A. Work with Information & Education, Law Enforcement, Habitat, Coral and Snapper Grouper APs.
  - 1) **On-Going Monitoring** Via e-mail, review material and develop status reports prior to each Council meeting. A report coordinated by Kim (Outreach) and Myra (Research and Monitoring) will be due to Gregg for each Briefing Book deadline.
    - a. Committee &/or Council review and potential action for follow-up at each Council meeting.
    - b. Distribute results of review to Evaluation Team, SSC, and APs.
    - c. Council staff to follow-up with actions as necessary after each meeting.

#### 2) Council meeting deliverables:

- a.  $\sqrt{\text{Anna}}$  and Kim to provide to Gregg by 2/7/12 for March 2012 meeting.
- b.  $\sqrt{\text{Ann and Kim to provide to Gregg by } 5/15/12 \text{ for June 2012 meeting.}}$
- c. √Anna and Kim to provide to Gregg by 8/14/12 for September 2012 meeting.
- d. Anna and Kim to provide to Gregg by 11/6/12 for December 2012 meeting.
- 3) Add Oculina LE to website with links to GC cases, press releases, VHF channel to report violations, etc. in report. (Kim). Done \_\_\_\_\_\_. Reports continue to be posted as they are received.
- 4) Oculina Evaluation Team to prepare OECA Evaluation Report in 2014. This report is a follow-up to the February 2007 Oculina Evaluation Team Report. The report is to provide an update on accomplishments addressing the following components as specified in Final Evaluation Plan for OECA:
  - a. Outreach
  - b. Research/Assessment
  - c. Law Enforcement

# 2. Amendment 21 Outcome of Visioning <del>Trip Limits Amendment</del> – 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.

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

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

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

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

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

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

#### SG Amendment 22 IPT Team members:

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

#### Rough Timing/Issues to be resolved:

- a.  $\sqrt{IPT}$  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 – <del>choose</del>
	<del>preferreds if possible</del> .
e.	SSC Review in
f.	Approve for public hearings at meeting
g.	Public hearings
h.	
N	OTE: Scoping meetings for this amendment were held in Jan-Feb 2011
W	ORK WILL RESUME IN 2013 TO PREPARE OPTIONS FOR THE JUNE OR
SE	EPTEMBER 2013 COUNCIL MEETING

#### 4. Amendment 27/EA or EIS? (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.

#### A. 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
- B. Team Conference Call Sept 26, 2012
- C. List of actions and alternatives as well as timeline provided to IPT prior to the call
- D. Draft doc with actions and alternatives sent to IPT by Monday, October 8, 2012
- E. IPT submits sections to Kate and Myra by October 19, 2012
- F. Draft doc (or PH summary?) ready for 1st BB by Nov 13, 2012 at 9 am
- G. BB sent to Council members by Nov 15, 2012
- H. PH Document edited as needed
- I. PH document ready for 2nd BB by Nov 26, 2012 by 9 am
- J. Council guidance, choose preferred alternatives and approve for public hearings at December 2012 meeting
- K. Public hearings January 22-30, 2013
- L. Council final review and approve for formal review at March 4-8, 2013 meeting

#### 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 is 27; and Red Snapper Framework Amendment is 28.]

This amendment will address a framework to reopen the red snapper fishery. 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.

- 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 Secretary of Commerce December 14, 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, Anik Clemens (Technical Writer), Andy Herndon (Protected Resources), Otha Easley (OLE), Mike Travis (Economist), and Mike Jepson (Social Scientist).
- c.  $\sqrt{NMFS}$  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. √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.  $\sqrt{\text{First IPT call} \text{September 26, 2012.}}$
  - e. 10/30/12 COB IPT submits written sections to Myra and Rick for 1st BB. (The submitted sections need to be complete so that the 11/2-11/9 review will be of a complete version of the amendment.)
  - f. 11/2/12 Revised document sent to IPT for IPT review and comment.
  - g. Comments due back from IPT on 11/8/12 COB.
  - h. 11/2/12 Myra and Rick send to Science Center, David Keys, NOAA GC, and PPI for review and comment. Comments due back from Science Center, David Keys, NOAA GC, and PPI on 11/9/12 COB.
  - i. Myra revises document for 1<sup>st</sup> briefing book by November 13, 2012 at 9 am
  - j. 11/19/12 COB Any editorial changes for 2nd BB version from IPT due.

	k.	Myra revises document for 2 <sup>nd</sup> briefing book by November 26, 2012 at 9 am.	
4.	4. SSC Review		
	a.	SSC review version of document available as of November 13, 2012.	
	b.	SSC comments included in 2 <sup>nd</sup> briefing book on November 26, 2012 or	
		emailed at meeting if SSC needs more time.	
5.	Snappe	er Grouper AP Review document (11/26/12 version) via mail with comments	
	present	ted to Council at December meeting.	
6.	Counc	il reviews and approves for final submission – December 2012.	
7.	Docum	nent preparation for formal review:	
	a.	Staff/IPT completes document by	
	b.	Council chair reviews document & proposed rule by	
	c.	Comments from SERO and NOAA GC received on	
	d.	Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule	
		by	
	e.	Corrections made by December 12, 2012.	
8.	Counc	il sends amendment for formal review on	
9.	SAFM	C sends to NMFS by December 14, 2012.	
10. Proposed Rule published/13.			
		Send to Council, AP & SSC	
		Comments due by/13.	
11.	Final F	Rule published13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on13.	
	` ′	Send to Council, AP & SSC	
		Post to web site	
Regi	ulations	s effective	

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

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

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

#### A. IPT Members

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

C.

## 7. 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. Include shore mode and MRIP data (2004 onwards) by October 5, 2012.
  - b. Update landings with any corrections since Comp ACL Amendment was finalized by October 5, 2012.
  - c. Include columns that show allocations and ABCs/ACLs with these changes
  - d. Provide for IPT review by October 8, 2012.
  - e. Include revised recreational numbers from MRFSS/MRIP conversions once available from SEFSC and reviewed by SSC October 25, 2012
  - f. Allocations recalculated using Boyle's Law as specified in Comp ACL Amendment
  - g. Show revised ABCs/ACLs and distribute by October 26, 2012
- 3. Document Preparation follow format used for Resubmittal of Action from Snapper Grouper Amendment 18A:
  - a. √Nik and Brian use format from resubmittal document and prepare draft for IPT/Staff to use asap
  - b. Brian (SAFMC Lead) coordinates revisions to document
  - c. Sections due to Brian by -
  - d. Sent for IPT review by –
  - e. IPT comments to Brian by –
  - f. Brian revises document for 1st briefing book by November 13, 2012 at 9 am
  - g. IPT/Staff final review and revisions to Brian by November 21, 2012
  - h. Brian revises document for 2<sup>nd</sup> briefing book by November 26, 2012 at 9 am.
- 4. SSC Review
  - a. SSC review version of document available as of November 13, 2012.
  - b. SSC comments included in 2<sup>nd</sup> briefing book on November 26, 2012 or emailed at meeting if SSC needs more time.
- 5. Snapper Grouper AP Review document (11/26/12 version) via mail with comments presented to Council at December meeting.

6.	Council reviews and approves for final submission – December 2012.		
7. Document preparation for formal review:			
	a. Staff/IPT completes document by		
	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 .		
	SAFMC sends to NMFS by December 14, 2012.		
	Proposed Rule published/13.		
	(A) Send to Council, AP & SSC		
	(B) Comments due by/13.		
10.	Final Rule published/13. Note: Fishery Bulletin published on1	3	
	(A) Send to Council, AP & SSC		
	(B) Post to web site		
11	Regulations effective		

#### 8. Regulatory Amendment 14/EA - Myra

- A. √Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at June 2012 meeting:
  - a. Amberjack fishing year & reduce trip limit
  - b. Mutton snapper additional protection during spawning season
  - c. Gray triggerfish size limit & measurement (FL vs TL)
  - d. Black sea bass fishing year recreational and commercial
  - e. Vermilion snapper after the meeting suggested reduce trip limit
- B. √Council review and provides guidance at September meeting. The Council directed staff to bring options back to the Council at the March 2013 meeting.
- C. √At the September 2012 meeting, the Council directed staff/IPT to develop alternatives for the following items:
  - a. Amberjack fishing year & reduce trip limit
  - b. Mutton snapper additional protection during spawning season
  - c. Gray triggerfish change size limit measurement from Total Length (TL) to Fork Length (FL)
  - d. Black sea bass fishing year recreational and commercial
  - e. Vermilion snapper modify commercial trip limit and recreational bag limit; adjust start of 2<sup>nd</sup> commercial season; modify recreational closed season
  - f. Hogfish increase the minimum size limit
  - g. Red porgy modify recreational bag limit and commercial head count
  - h. Modify aggregate grouper bag limit
  - i. New item: Black sea bass adjustments based on update assessment and new P\* analyses.
  - i. 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.

#### 1. Assign Team – TBD

- a. VSAFMC 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 (to be determined) (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 \_\_\_\_\_

#### Notes:

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

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

- A. At the September 2012 meeting, the Council directed staff/IPT to develop alternatives for the following items:
  - a. Yellowtail snapper adjustments to ABC/ACL/ACT from assessment; change commercial fishing season start date; and implement a commercial spawning season closure.
  - b. Gag trigger evaluate requirement that all shallow water groupers close when gag ACL is met
  - c. Red snapper alternatives to allow opening as was done through emergency rule this year. Moved to SG Amendment 28 based on NOAA GC guidance.
- B. At the September 2012 meeting, the Council approved the following schedule:
  - a. Public comment at December 2013 meeting
  - b. Council final approval at December 2013 meeting
  - c. Send to Secretary of Commerce December 14, 2013
  - d. Final regulations effective asap in the 2013 fishing year.

#### 1. 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: 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
- 11. Database agree to fixed data to be used for amendment by \_\_\_\_\_
- 12. Document Preparation follow format used for Regulatory Amendment 13:
  - 1. √Rick and Myra use format from Reg Am 13 document and prepare draft for IPT/Staff to use asap
  - m.  $\sqrt{\text{Myra}}$  (SAFMC Lead) coordinates revisions to document
  - n. √List of actions and alternatives as well as timeline provided to IPT prior to the call. Done September 21, 2012.
  - o.  $\sqrt{\text{First IPT call}}$  September 26, 2012.
  - p. 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.)
  - q. 11/2/12 Revised document sent to IPT for IPT review and comment.
  - r. Comments due back from IPT on 11/8/12 COB.
  - s. 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 1<sup>st</sup> briefing book by November 13, 2012 at 9 am t.
- 11/19/12 COB Any editorial changes for 2nd BB version from IPT due. u.
- Myra revises document for 2<sup>nd</sup> briefing book by November 26, 2012 at 9 am. v.

#### 13. SSC Review

- SSC review version of document available as of November 13, 2012. c.
- SSC comments included in 2<sup>nd</sup> briefing book on November 26, 2012 or d. emailed at meeting if SSC needs more time.
- 14. Snapper Grouper AP Review document (11/26/12 version) via mail with comments presented to Council at December meeting.
- 15. Council reviews and approves for final submission December 2012. 16. Document preparation for formal review: Staff/IPT completes document by\_\_\_\_\_ f. Council chair reviews document & proposed rule by . . g. Comments from SERO and NOAA GC received on \_\_\_\_\_\_. h. Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule i. Corrections made by December 12, 2012. 17. Council sends amendment for formal review on 18. SAFMC sends to NMFS by December 14, 2012. 19. Proposed Rule published \_\_\_\_\_/13. (A) Send to Council, AP & SSC
- (B) Comments due by \_\_\_\_\_/13.
  - (A) Send to Council, AP & SSC (B) Post to web site
- 12. Regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

#### 10. Regulatory Amendment 16/EA - Myra

- A. \(\sqrt{\text{Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at September meeting}\)
  - a. Golden tilefish 2 weeks on and 2 weeks off
- B. At the September 2012 meeting, the Council approved the following schedule:
  - a. Staff/IPT develop options for March 2013 meeting
  - b. Council provide guidance at March meeting
  - c. Council Approves for public hearings at June 2013 meeting
  - d. Public hearings August 2013
  - e. Public comment at September 2013 meeting
  - f. Council final approval at September 2013 meeting
  - g. Send to Secretary of Commerce September 27, 2013
  - h. Final regulations effective asap in the 2014 fishing year.

#### 1. 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: Karla Gore (NMFS Lead)
- c. NMFS SEFSC Team:
- d. √NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello

#### 11. Regulatory Amendment 17 (MPAs)/EA or EIS? – Gregg/Roger

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

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

- 1. Assign Team TBD
  - a. √SAFMC Team: Gregg Waugh/Roger Pugliese (SAFMC Leads), Myra Brouwer, Kari Maclauchlin, Brian Cheuvront, Anna Martin (Coral), and Mike Errigo (Data).
  - b. NMFS SERO Team: Rick DeVictor (NMFS Lead), Karla Gore (SERO), Nick Farmer (SERO), Jack McGovern (SERO), Stephen Holiman (NMFS Economist), Mike Jepson (Anthropologist), 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. \( \sqrt{Public input presented to Council at September 2012 meeting in Charleston \)
- C. IPT begin development of MPA alternatives
- D. MPA alternatives presented to Council at December 2012 meeting in Wilmington, NC
- E. Council approve for public hearings at December 2012 meeting
- F. Public Hearings held in Jan/Feb 2013
- G. Final Approval in March 2013

#### II. ECOSYSTEM

#### 1. Fishery Ecosystem Plan - Roger

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

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

#### Other FEP- Ecosystem-Based Management related Meetings/Coordination (2012/13):

The following FEP/Ecosystem-Based Management related meetings/coordination are scheduled for the remainder of 2012 and into 2013:

1) Habitat and Environmental Advisory Panel Meeting, November 14-15, 2012 Charleston, SC

#### 2. Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment 3 – Anna

#### Items included during scoping:

- A. Speckled hind and Warsaw grouper consider alternatives to provide protection in the 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 meeting, VMS for the commercial snapper grouper fishery was moved to a separate action.

#### Timing:

- A. √Council considers items at September 2011 meeting
- B.  $\sqrt{\text{Council refines list and approves for scoping}}$  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. √Individual Council Species Committees develop actions/alternatives
- F. VCouncil 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
- 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 (Anthropologist);

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.  $\sqrt{NOAA}$  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
  - (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.  $\sqrt{\text{Snapper Grouper AP April 18 (8:30 am)}} 19 (4 pm), 2012 in Charleston, SC$ 
  - (1) Hotel location
  - (2) FR notice
  - (3) Briefing materials
- F.  $\sqrt{\text{Dolphin/Wahoo AP April 24, 2012 (8:30 am noon) in Charleston, SC}}$ 
  - (1) Hotel location
  - (2) FR notice
  - (3) Briefing materials
- G.  $\sqrt{\text{Mackerel AP April 24 (1:30 pm)}} 25 (4 pm)$ , 2012 in Charleston, SC
  - (1) Hotel location
  - (2) FR notice
  - (3) Briefing materials
- H.  $\sqrt{\text{Coral AP May 9 (9:00 am 5:00 pm)}} 10 (9:00 \text{ am 12 noon)}, 2012 \text{ in Charleston, SC}$ 
  - (1) Hotel location
  - (2) FR notice
  - (3) Briefing materials
- I. √Habitat AP will review via webinar on May 15, 2012 from 2-4 pm. The Habitat AP will meet in person in the Fall as normal

#### Specific Steps:

- A. √NOI to publish in FR by\_\_\_\_\_. NOI published on 5/23/12. Given that MPAs removed, a new checklist will be sent out to determine if this amendment will be an EA or EIS.
  - a. (Note: A NOI is not needed if CE-BA 3 is an EA. More information is needed before it can be determined if CE-BA 3 will be an EA or EIS. If it is an EIS, a NOI

will be produced after the March 2012 Council meeting. The SAFMC conducted scoping during the Council's MSA scoping in January/February 2012.)

- B. √Draft MSA scoping document.
- C. √Distribute MSA scoping document to the Team. Schedule a Team call if needed.
- D. √MSA Scoping meetings for CE-BA 3. Scoping from 4-7 pm

<b>January 24, 2012</b>	<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>	<b>February 1, 2012</b>
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>	<b>February 2, 2012</b>
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
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 THESE ACTIONS TO CORAL AMENDMENT 7.

- R. Staff revises CE-BA 3 according to guidance.
- S. IPT completes analyses
  - a. 10/3/12 IPT conference call
  - b. 10/30/12 IPT submits written sections to Karla and Anna
  - c. 11/5/12 revised document sent to IPT
  - d. 11/9/12 comments due back from IPT
  - e. 11/13/12 amendment ready for 1<sup>st</sup> briefing book at 9 am
  - f. 11/20/12 all final revisions due
  - g.  $11/26/12 2^{nd}$  briefing book ready at 9 am
- T. Gulf Council Approval at their October 29 November 1, 2012 meeting.
- U. South Atlantic Council Approval at their December 3-7, 2012 meeting.
- V. Staff revises document if necessary.
- W. Council chair reviews and deems CE-BA 3 and codified text
- X. Council sends document for formal review December 14, 2012.

#### III. Coral Amendment 8/EA - Anna

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

#### Items included:

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

#### Timing:

- A. Council Staff/IPT revise these items for inclusion as a Coral FMP amendment
- B. Council provides input, chooses preferred alternatives, and approves for public hearings at December 2012 meeting
- C. Public hearings January 2013
- D. Council reviews public hearing comments and approves for formal review at March 2013 meeting
- E. 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, Gregg Waugh and Roger Pugliese (Habitat issues/GIS).
- B. NMFS SERO Team Karla Gore (NMFS Lead); Nick Farmer, Rick DeVictor, and Jack McGovern (SERO); Stephen Holiman (NMFS Economist); Mike Jepson (Anthropologist); David Dale (HCD); Otha Easley (OLE); Jenny Lee and Andy Herndon (PR); and David Keys (NEPA); Anne Marie Eich (Regulations writers).
- C. √NMFS SEFSC Team Margaret Miller and Juan Agar.
- D. NOAA GC Team Monica Smit-Brunello.

#### Specific Steps:

- A. NOI to publish in FR by\_\_\_\_\_. NOI published on\_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. (Note: A NOI is not needed if Coral Amendment 7 is an EA. More information is needed before it can be determined if this will be an EA or EIS. If it is an EIS, a NOI will be produced after the March 2013 Council meeting. The SAFMC conducted scoping during the Council's MSA scoping in January/February 2012 on some issues.)
- B. Draft public hearing amendment document.
- C. Distribute document to the Team. Schedule a Team call if needed.

D. Public hearings Meetings from 4-7 pm

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

- E. Written comments due on or before 5 pm on February 6, 2013.
  F. Council reviews scoping comments and provides direction to staff at March 2013 meeting.

#### IV. MACKEREL

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

#### IPT Team

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

#### Items:

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

#### Revised List of Items:

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

#### 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

#### **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. √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. Approve for public hearings at December 2012 meeting
- 5. Public hearings January 22-30, 2013
- 6. AP meeting
- 7. Review hearing comments, modify and approve all actions at March 2013 meeting
- 8. Joint SAFMC/GMFMC Mackerel Committee meeting May 2013 if needed
- 9. Review final document and approve for formal review at June 2013 meeting

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

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

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

#### IPT Team

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

#### Items:

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

#### Revised List of Items:

- 1. Modify Subzones and Allocation of Gulf Migratory Group Eastern Zone King Mackerel.
- 2. Modify the Commercial Hook-and-Line Trip Limits for Gulf Migratory Group King Mackerel
- 3. Change the Fishing Season for Gulf Group King Mackerel for the Eastern and Western Zone
- 4. Establish a transit provision for king mackerel harvested in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ) off Monroe County when the rest of the west coast of Florida is closed
- 5. Restrictions on Fishing for King Mackerel in Multiple Zones
- 6. Modify the Gulf and Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia Annual Catch Limits (ACLs).
- 7. Establish State-by-State or Regional Quotas for Atlantic Migratory Group King Mackerel, Spanish Mackerel, and Cobia
- 8. Set Annual Catch Target (ACTs) by Sub-Zones for Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia.
- 9. Specify Accountability Measures (AMs) by Sub-Zones for Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia
- 10. Modify the Framework Procedure

#### 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

#### Timing:

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

#### Proposed timing in 2012/2013:

- 1. √SAFMC reviews Scoping Document March 2012
- 2.  $\sqrt{SSC}$  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. Public hearings January 22-30, 2013
- 6. AP meeting
- 7. Review hearing comments, modify and approve all actions at March 2013 meeting
- 8. Joint SAFMC/GMFMC Mackerel Committee meeting May 2013 if needed
- 9. Review final document and approve for formal review at June 2013 meeting

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

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

#### 3. SAFMC Framework - Kari

#### Actions:

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

Alternative 1- no action

Alternative 2- 50 fish all season

Other Alternatives

#### **NEED IPT APPOINTED:**

#### IPT Team

- a. √SAFMC Team: Kari MacLauchlin (SAFMC Lead), Gregg Waugh, Brian Cheuvront, Roger Pugliese (EFH), and Anna Martin (Coral issues)
- b. NMFS SERO Team:
- c. NMFS SEFSC Team:
- d. NOAA GC Team:

#### **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. Council guidance at March 2013 meeting
- G. Council approves for public hearings at June 2013 meeting
- H. Public hearings in August 2013
- I. Council reviews public comment at September 2013 meeting
- J. Final review and approve for formal review at September 2013 meeting
- K. Regulations effective for 2014 fishing year

### V. SPINY LOBSTER

### 1. Spiny Lobster Amendment 12 - Kari

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

#### VI. SHRIMP - Anna

#### 1. Shrimp Amendment 9

#### IPT Team

- a. √SAFMC Team: Anna Martin (SAFMC Lead), Kari MacLauchlin, Brian 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. NMFS SEFSC Rick Hart (SEFSC Biologist) and Scott Crosson (SEFSC Economist)
- d. √NOAA GC Team: Monica Smit-Brunello.

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

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

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

- A. Modify protocol for states to request concurrent closure of the EEZ during severe winter weather to expedite the process.
- B. Revise MSST proxy for pink shrimp.

#### **2011 Activities**

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

#### **2012 Activities**

#### Proposed timing: Same as CE-BA 3:

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

#### 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. √MSA Scoping meetings for Shrimp Amendment 9. Scoping from 4-7 pm

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Phone: 843-744-4422	321-799-0003		
<u>January 26, 2012</u>	<b>February 1, 2012</b>		
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- (1)  $\sqrt{\text{Hotel arrangements}}$  Cindy.
- (2)  $\sqrt{PH}$  Comment Period: January 13, 2012 5 pm on February 13, 2012
- (3)  $\sqrt{FR}$  Notice 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) \( \sqrt{Email address: \) \( \sqrt{ShrimpAmend6Scopingcomment@safmc.net} \)
- (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. √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.  $\sqrt{\text{Conference call to discuss changes to document for BB distribution.}}$
- 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. \( \sqrt{Public Hearings for Shrimp Amendment 9 held during August 2012: \)

lic hearings will be held from 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
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- N. √SSC Meeting and input on items in Shrimp Amendment 9 prior to their ORCS workshop in Charleston, SC 8/1/12; send to SSC by July 16, 2012.
- O.  $\sqrt{BB}$  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 5<sup>th</sup> IPT revisions to Anna
  - b. October 9<sup>th</sup> 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. √Council sends document for formal review by October 17, 2012

### 2. Potential Cold Water Closure

A. Plan for action in 2013 if requested.

# 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{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 <del>choose preferred alternatives</del> 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.  $\sqrt{AP \text{ Meeting}} \text{July } 26, 2011$
- 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.  $\sqrt{\text{Document preparation for public hearings}}$ 
  - (1) Distribute motions/alternatives from December meeting
  - (2) IPT call \_\_\_\_\_
  - (3) Sections due to team leads (Brian & Karla) by \_\_\_\_\_
  - (4) Incorporate IPT sections by \_\_\_\_\_
  - (5) Documents ready to be posted to website by noon on January 13, 2012
- J. √Public hearings held in January/February 2012 and cover Snapper Grouper Amendment 18B/EA, Golden Crab Amendment 6/EA (Catch Shares), Scoping for CEBA-3, Scoping for Shrimp Amendment 9, and in Key Largo Spiny Lobster Amendment 11/EIS:

Public hearings will be held from 4-7 pm

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- (1) Hotel arrangements Cindy.
- (2) PH Comment Period: January 13, 2012 5 pm on February 13, 2012
- (3) FR Notice Kim/Andrea; done \_\_\_\_\_/11.
- (4) Amendment available
  - a. Complete by 1/13/12
  - b. Posted to web by 1/13/12
- (5) Public Hearing Summary available
  - a. Complete by 1/13/12
  - b. Posted to web by 1/13/12
- (6) Email address: GCrabAmend6PHcomment@safmc.net
- (7) Public Hearing Presentation
- M. √Review public hearing comments, review revised document, modify as appropriate, and approve for formal review by Secretary of Commerce March 5-9, 2012 Council meeting. The Council provided guidance and approved preferred alternatives for all actions. Directed staff to finalize document for June 2012.
- N. \(\sqrt{Document preparation for June 2012 Council meeting:}\)
  - (1) Revisions to the amendment to Brian and Karla by April 27, 2012.
  - (2) Edits made to document and document sent to team for review on May 4, 2012.
  - (3) IPT edits due back and revised for BB.
  - (4) Brian submits document for first BB, May 21, 2012
- O. VReview final document and approve for formal review by Secretary of Commerce June 11-15, 2012 Council meeting. The Council provided guidance, changed preferred alternatives, and directed staff to hold a meeting with permit holders prior to the September meeting.
- P.  $\sqrt{\text{Permit Holders Meeting}}$ 
  - (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? Q. VReview 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. Golden Crab AP meeting – to be held on January 31, 2013 from 1-5 pm in Ft. Lauderdale, R. FL area S. Document preparation for formal review: IPT completes document (1) (2) Council chair reviews document & proposed rule Council staff completes final review of document & proposed rule (3) Corrections made by (4) Send Golden Crab Amendment 6/EA/Proposed rule for formal review – T. April/May 20\_\_\_. Done \_\_\_\_\_. NMFS Declares Transmit Date as . . U. V. Final Review and Implementation: Notice of Availability of Amendment 10 published \_\_\_\_\_\_. (1) (2) Comments due no later than 5 pm EST on \_\_\_\_\_. (3) Send to Council, AP & SSC Post to website; Fishery Bulletin will be posted to website. (4) Amendment approved on \_\_\_\_\_. (5) R. Proposed Rule published .

Send to Council, AP & SSC

Comments due by \_\_\_\_\_.

Send to Council, AP & SSC

Final Rule published .

Post to websites

(1)

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S.

# VIII. 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.  $\sqrt{NOAA}$  GC Team: Mara Levey.
- g.  $\sqrt{\text{Mike Cahall (ACCSP)}}$  and David Donaldson (GSFMC).

#### Items to be addressed:

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

#### Proposed timing:

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

- 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.  $\sqrt{\text{September 24, 2012 Section due to IPT Lead (Rick)}}$
- 4. √September 26, 2012 Send version for review by SEFSC, GC, PPI,
- 5. √October 10, 2012 Comments due back from SEFSC, GC, PPI
- 6. √October 12, 2012 Send to Council Chairs for review. Note: David Cupka reviewed 9/25/12 version. Comments from David, Michelle & Gregg provided to rick 10/3/12.
- 7. √October 19, 2012 Comments due from Council Chair's
- 8. October 25, 2012 Gulf Council to Transmit

# IX. DOLPHIN/WAHOO AMENDMENT 5 - Brian

#### IPT Team

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

#### Items to be addressed:

- a. Update ABC/ACL based on MRIP calibration and ORCS?
- b. Allocations
- c. Bag limit sales
- d. Framework include "Notice Action" type of adjustment for ABC/ACLs

## Proposed timing:

- A. SAFMC reviews Scoping Document and approves for scoping December 2012
- B. Scoping in January 2013
- C. Review scoping comments and Options Paper March 2013
- D. SSC input at April 2013 meeting
- E. AP review –
- F. Approve for public hearings at June 2013 Council meeting
- G. Public hearings in August 2013
- H. Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in September 2013

# X. SCIENTIFIC & STATISTICAL COMMITTEE - John

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

- $\sqrt{A}$ . Group to meet October 22, 2012 from 1-5 p.m.
  - (1) Notice sent to participants –
  - (2) Hotel arrangements
  - (3) FR notice John via Kim
  - (4) Briefing materials sent by \_\_\_\_\_ John/Kate/Brian
- B.  $\sqrt{\text{Review}}$ :
  - (1) Boyle's Law
  - (2) Allocations and Technical Memo
  - (3) Mackerel bag limit sales analyses
  - (4) SG Amendment 22 transferability aspects of tags
  - (5) Voluntary IFQ status report and SEP input

## 2. SSC Fall 2012 Meeting

- $\sqrt{A}$ . Group to meet October 23 (9 am) 25 (3 pm), 2012 in Crown Plaza, North Charleston, SC
  - (1) Notice sent to participants -7/13/12 John
  - (2) Hotel arrangements Cindy; request submitted 8/29; done 12/13/2011
  - (3) FR notice Kim/John by  $8/15\_/12$
  - (4) Briefing materials sent by 10/5/12 John

#### B. $\sqrt{\text{Review}}$ :

- (1) SEDAR Updates (Vermilion Snapper & Red Porgy) (SEFSC Presenters)
- (2) CEBA-3/EA final review if not already submitted
- (3) CMP 19 & 20 & Framework
- (4) SnapGrp 22
- (5) update ABC/ACL reg action?
- (6) Research Plan Develop criteria for determining primary and secondary stocks. Develop scoring metrics to prioritize stocks.
- (7) Report April FishSmart workshop on Discard mortality (by SSC Reps to workshop)
- (8) SEFSC analytical plans for red snapper report due 2013: SSC establish TORs (SEFSC Presenters)
- (9) SEFSC plans for black sea bass updated projections address SSC needs? Set TORs (SEFSC Presenters)
- (10) Recommend ABCs based on ORCS revised control rule
- (11) REVIEW SAFE report
- (12) REVIEW BSB and recommend P-Star and P-rebuild (from June Council)
- (13) Shrimp assessment possibilities. Rick Hart of SEFSC. 2013 updates TORS (snowy, gag? red grouper?)
- (14) 2013 benchmark TORS (blueline tilefish, gray triggerfish, hogfish, king mackerel)

3.	SSC F	Proposed 2013 Meeting Dates
A.	(i) (ii) (iii)	to meet April 9-11, 2013.  Notice sent to participants –; John Reserve conference line FR notice – Kim Priofing meterials cent by
	(IV)	Briefing materials sent by – John
B.	Group	to meet October 22-24, 2013.
	-	Notice sent to participants –; John
		Reserve conference line
	, ,	FR notice – Kim
	, ,	Briefing materials sent by – John
4.	SSC (	Conference Call – as needed
A.		to meet via conference call.
	(i)	Notice sent to participants –; John
	(ii)	Reserve conference line
	(iii)	FR notice – Kim
	(iv)	Briefing materials sent by – John
B.		w SG Regulatory Amendment 13

# 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.

# 1. $\sqrt{\text{Scoping Meetings in Jan/Feb 2012 - 4-7 pm}}$

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

# 2. $\sqrt{\text{Public Hearings in Jan/Feb 2012- 4-7 pm}}$

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

# 3. $\sqrt{\text{Dates}}$ and Locations for Jan/Feb 2012

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

<u>January 24, 2012</u>	<u>January 31, 2012</u>								
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- $\sqrt{B}$ . Rooms Needed large area plus 3 rooms (1 recording and 2 for tech. presentations)
  - i. General area (large) sign-in and get information; SEDAR/SSC/Science table; Ecosystem/habitat table
  - ii. Room #1 Council member & recording for public input
  - iii. Room #2 Scoping CEBA 3 (Anna), Shrimp Amendment 9 (Kari/Anna) & Snapper Grouper Amendment 18B (Myra)
  - iv. Room #3 Golden Crab Amendment 6 (Brian) & Spiny Lobster Amendment 11 in Key Largo (Kari)
- C. √Federal Register Notice
  - a. NOI documents filed done; comment period is 1/13 through 5 pm on 2/15.
  - b. Kim to publish notice done; \_\_\_\_\_
- D.  $\sqrt{\text{Document preparation}}$ 
  - a. Scoping use existing documents with "SCOPING DOCUMENT" added on cover page. Use scoping document format for Amendment 22 (Red Snapper).
  - b. Public Hearings use public hearing version of document and summary.
  - c. Documents available and posted on web site by 1/13/12.
- E. √Staff attending Myra, Anna, Roger, Kari & Brian all sites; John NC, Charleston & Pooler; Mike E. Charleston, Pooler & FL. Mike C.? Administrative & I&E?
- F.  $\sqrt{\text{Council chairs}}$ 
  - a. NC Michelle (chair) & Mac attending
  - b. SC Robert (chair)
  - c. GA Doug (chair) & Charlie attending
  - d. Jacksonville/Cocoa Beach Ben (chair)
  - e. Key Largo Ben (chair)/John

# 4. $\sqrt{Dates}$ and Locations for August 2012

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

Spiny Lobster season opens on August 6<sup>th</sup> so Key Largo hearing held on August 9<sup>th</sup>. Public hearings will be held from 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
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August 8, 2012	August 9, 2012
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Phone: 843-308-9330	Phone: 252-638-3585

- B.  $\sqrt{\text{Amendments}}$ :
  - 1. CE-BA 3 data collection items only which now include VMS
  - 2. Shrimp Amendment 9
  - 3. Joint SA/GM Dealer Permit
  - 4. MPA Workshops in NC & FL
  - 5. Informal Discussions with Fishermen/Public:
    - a. Joint SA/GM Mackerel Amendment 19
    - b. Joint SA/GM Mackerel Amendment 20
    - c. South Atlantic Framework for Atlantic King Mackerel
- C.  $\sqrt{\text{Rooms Needed} \text{large area plus 4 rooms (1 recording and 3 for tech. presentations)}}$ 
  - 1. General area (large) sign-in and get information
  - 2. Room #1 Council member & recording for public input
  - 3. Room #2 Shrimp Amendment 9 (Anna) & Mackerel Discussions (3FL & NC) (Kari)
  - 4. Room #3 Speckled Hind/Warsaw MPA Workshops (Myra) 3 FL & NC Mackerel Discussions GA & SC
  - 5. Room #4 Dealer Amendment; and Data items in CE-BA 3 (including bycatch) (Brian)
- D. √Federal Register Notice
  - a. NOI documents filed -
  - b. Kim to publish notice -
- E.  $\sqrt{\text{Document preparation}}$ 
  - a. Public Hearings use public hearing version of document and summary.
    - i. Summary documents posted by \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. Amendments posted by 7/27/12.
  - b. Documents available and posted on web site by 7/27/12.
  - c. Comments due by 5 pm on August 20, 2012.
  - d. Email addresses:
    - i. ShrimpAmend9PHComments@safmc.net
    - ii. CEBA3PHComments@safmc.net
    - iii. MPAWorkshopComments@safmc.net
    - iv. JointDealerAmendPHComments@safmc.net
    - v. MackerelComments@safmc.net
    - vi. Others?
  - e. Presentations done by 8/2/12.
- F. √Staff attending Myra (NC & FL); Anna, Kari & Brian all sites; Julie (Administrative) & Kim (I&E) all sites.
- G.  $\sqrt{\text{Council chairs}}$ 
  - a. NC Michelle (chair); Anna Beckwith & Tom Burgess attending
  - b. SC Tom (chair); Mel and David attending
  - c. GA Doug (chair); Charlie attending
  - d. Jacksonville/Cocoa Beach Ben (chair)
  - e. Key Largo Ben (chair)

## 5. Dates and Locations for January 2013

### A. Dates and locations:

Scoping/Hearings from 4-7 pm DRAFT

January 22, 2013	January 23, 2013							
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							
<u>January 29, 2013</u>	<u>January 30, 2013</u>							
Doubletree by Hilton Oceanfront	Holiday Inn Key Largo							
2080 North Atlantic Ave.	97701 Overseas Highway							
Cocoa Beach, FL 32931	Key Largo, FL 33037							
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.

- B. Amendments:
  - 1. Snapper Grouper Amendment 27 (Myra) public hearings
  - 2. Coral Amendment 7 (Anna) public hearings
  - 3. Dolphin/Wahoo Amendment 5 (Brian) scoping
- C. Rooms Needed large area plus 4 rooms (1 recording and 3 for tech. presentations)
  - 1. General area (large) sign-in and get information
  - 2. Room #1 Council member & recording for public input
  - 3. Room #2 Snapper Grouper
  - 4. Room #3 Coral
  - 5. Room #4 Dolphin/Wahoo
- D. Federal Register Notice
  - a. NOI documents filed -
  - b. Publish notice -
- E. Document preparation
  - a. Public Hearings use public hearing version of document and summary.
    - i. Summary documents posted by \_\_\_\_\_
    - ii. Amendments posted by \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Documents available and posted on web site by 1/11/13.
  - c. Comments due by 5 pm on February 4, 2013.
  - d. Email addresses:

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- ii. Others?
- e. Presentations done by 1/17/13.

- F. Staff attending Myra, Anna, & Brian all sites; Julie (Administrative) & Kim/Amber (I&E) all sites.
- G. Council chairs all confirmed
  - a. NC Michelle (chair); Anna Beckwith & Tom Burgess likely attending
  - b. SC Tom (chair); Mel and David attending
  - c. GA Doug (chair); Charlie attending; Steve Amick likely attending
  - d. Jacksonville/Cocoa Beach Ben (chair)
  - e. Key Largo Ben (chair)

## 6. Dates and Locations for August 2013

#### A. Dates and locations:

Spiny Lobster season opens on August 6<sup>th</sup> so Key Largo hearing held on August 9<sup>th</sup>. Public hearings will be held from 4-7 pm DRAFT dates/locations from Aug 2012

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<b>August 6, 2012</b>	<b>August 7, 2012</b>
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
<b>August 8, 2012</b>	<b>August 9, 2012</b>
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	<b>August 16, 2012</b>
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

Note: Drive to Key Largo after the Cocoa Beach Hearing during the evening.

#### B. Amendments:

- 1. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 14 (Myra) public hearings
- 2. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 16 (Myra) public hearings
- 2. Mackerel Amendments 19/20 and Framework (Kari) public hearings
- 3. Dolphin/Wahoo Amendment 5 (Brian) public hearings
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  - e. Key Largo Ben (chair)

### XII. FUTURE COUNCIL MEETING DATES & LOCATIONS

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

#### A. March 5-9, 2012 Savannah, Georgia

Savannah Hilton DeSoto

15 East Liberty Street

Savannah, GA 31401

Phone: 1-877-280-0751 or 912-232-9000/Fax: 912-231-1633

#### B. June 11-15, 2012 Orlando, Florida

Renaissance Orlando Airport Hotel

5445 Forbes Place

Orlando, FL 32812

Phone: 1-800-545-1985 or 407-240-1000/Fax: 407-240-1005

#### C. September 10-14, 2012 Charleston, South Carolina

**The Charleston Marriott Hotel** 

170 Lockwood Boulevard

Charleston, SC 29403

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

#### D. December 3-7, 2012 – Wilmington, North Carolina

Hilton Wilmington Riverside

301 N. Water Street

Wilmington, NC 28401

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

#### E. March 4-8, 2013 – St. Simons Island, Georgia

Sea Palms Resort & Conference Center

5445 Frederica Road

#### St. Simons Island, GA 31522

Phone: 1-800-841-6268 or 912-638-3351/Fax: 912-638-5416

#### F. June 10-14, 2013 – Stuart, Florida

**Hutchinson Island Marriott** 

555 NE Ocean Boulevard

#### **Stuart, FL 34996**

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

#### G. September 16-20, 2013 – Charleston, South Carolina

The Charleston Marriott Hotel

170 Lockwood Boulevard

#### Charleston, SC 29403

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

#### H. December 2-6, 2013 – Wilmington, North Carolina

Hilton Wilmington Riverside

301 North Water Street

### Wilmington, NC 28401

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

# XIII. SPECIFIC ITEMS FROM JUNE COUNCIL MEETING

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

### A. Snapper Grouper - Myra

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

#### September 2012 Meeting:

- A. SEFSC TO INCLUDE PRELIMINARY HB LANDINGS IN COUNCIL REPORTS
- B. SEFSC PRESENTATION AT DECEMBER MEETING ON POST-STRATIFICATION METHODOLOGY USED TO ARRIVE AT RECREATIONAL LANDINGS ESTIMATES, INCLUDING WHETHER THE METHODOLOGY HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND WHETHER IT IS USED IN OTHER REGIONS. Note: this will be given during the Ad Hoc Data Collection Committee meeting in December
- C. PREPARE DRAFT REGULATORY AMENDMENT 17 TO CONSIDER ALTERNATIVES FOR MPAs. THE ALTERNATIVES WOULD BE LIMITED TO RE-ORIENTATION OF THE APPROPRIATE EXISTING MPAS BASED ON OCCURRENCES OF SH AND WG AND SUITABLE HABITAT. SERO STAFF WOULD PRESENT ANALYSIS AT DECEMBER COUNCIL MEETING.
- D. CONTINUE DEVELOPMENT OF REG AMENDMENT 13 AND PRESENT TO COUNCIL IN DECEMBER. COUNCIL WILL HOLD PH AT THE DECEMBER MEETING AND APPROVE FOR FORMAL REVIEW.
- E. √REQUEST EMERGENCY RULE TO ADJUST THE YELLOWTAIL SNAPPER ABC/ACLs/ACTs BASED ON THE CURRENT STOCK ASSESSMENT. Note: only commercial ACL updated in emergency rule.
- F. DEVELOP REGULATORY AMENDMENT 15 TO IMPLEMENT ADJUSTMENT TO YELLOWTAIL ACLS, ETC. AND BRING TO COUNCIL FOR REVIEW IN DECEMBER. INCLUDE ACTIONS FOR RED SNAPPER MANAGEMENT AND REMOVAL OF TRIGGER TO CLOSE SAWG WHEN GAG ACL IS MET OR PROJECTED TO BE MET.

- G. CONTINUE DEVELOPMENT OF AMENDMENT 22 AND PRESENT OPTIONS PAPER TO THE COUNCIL JUNE 2013 OR SEPTEMBER 2013.
- H. BRING DRAFT REGULATORY AMENDMENT 14 TO COUNCIL FOR REVIEW IN MARCH AND APPROVAL FOR PH IN AUG 2013. ACTIONS TO INCLUDE:
  - 1. PROTECTION OF MUTTON SNAPPER DUIRNG ITS SPWANING SEASON
  - 2. CHANGE METHOD FOR MEASURING GRAY TRIGGERFISH TO FORK LENGTH
  - 3. INCREASE MINIMUM SIZE LIMIT FOR HOGFISH
  - 4. CHANGE THE START OF THE RECREATIONAL BSB FISHING YEAR
  - 5. CHANGE THE START OF THE COMMERCIAL BSB FISHING YEAR
  - 6. MODIFY TRIP LIMIT FOR VERMILION SNAPPER
  - 7. ADJUST BAG LIMIT FOR VERMILION SNAPPER
  - 8. ADJUST START OF SECOND COMMERCIAL VERMILION SNAPPER SEASON
  - 9. MODIFY RECREATIONAL VERMILION SNAPPER CLOSED SEASON
  - 10. INCREASE THE RED PORGY BAG LIMIT
  - 11. INCREASE THE RED PORGY COMMERCIAL HEAD COUNT
  - 12. MODIFY THE AGGREGATE GROUPER BAG LIMIT
- I. DEVELOP PLAN AMENDMENT TO REMOVE BLUE RUNNER FROM THE SNAPPER GROUPER FMU AND BRING TO THE COUNCIL IN DECEMBER FOR APPROVAL FOR PH IN JANUARY 2013.
- J. INVITE MAFMC CHAIR TO PRESENT ON VISIONING AND STRATEGIC PLANNING AT DECEMBER COUNCIL MEETING
- K. CONVENE THE SG COMMITTEE ON MONDAY MORNING OF THE DECEMBER MEETING WEEK TO DISCUSS VISIONING AND STRATEGIC PLANNING

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

- 1. Council staff will convene the joint meeting of the Deepwater Shrimp, Coral, Habitat, and Law Enforcement Advisory Panels on October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012 in Cape Canaveral, FL.
- 2. The Coral HAPC actions will be developed through Coral Amendment 7.

#### C. Golden Crab - Brian

- (1) Direct staff to meet with the golden crab AP prior to the March 2013 Council meeting to discuss the issues raised as a result of the golden crab permit holders meeting and for the future of the management of the fishery.
- (2) Present the results of the AP meeting to the Council at the March 2013 meeting.

#### 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 OCTOBER MEETING.
- 2. MAKE THE NECESSARY REVISIONS TO CMP AMENDMENT 20 AND PROVIDE THE REVISED DOCUMENT TO THE GULF COUNCIL FOR USE AT THEIR OCTOBER MEETING.
- 3. TARGET APPROVAL OF CMP AMENDMENT 19 AND AMENDMENT 20 FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS AT THE DECEMBER 2012 MEETING.
- 4. TARGET FINAL APPROVAL OF CMP AMENDMENT 19 AND AMENDMENT 20 FOR MARCH 2013.
- 5. DEVELOP ALTERNATIVES AND COMPLETE ANALYSIS TO PROVIDE FRAMEWORK AT THE MARCH 2013 MEETING FOR REVIEW AND FINAL APPROVAL.

## E. Dolphin Wahoo – Brian

1.

### F. Shrimp – Anna

- 1. Make the necessary revisions to Shrimp Amendment 9/EA and submit a finalized Amendment to NMFS for Secretarial review.
- 2. The SSC will discuss the Stock Synthesis Assessment Model (SS3) used to assess Gulf penaeid stocks during their October 23-25<sup>th</sup>, 2012 meeting. The SSC will discuss the applicability for pursuing a similar approach for South Atlantic penaeid stocks.

#### G. Law Enforcement - Myra

1. None

### H. SEDAR - John

- 1. Identify a RW chair for appointment in December 2012.
- 2. Identify a private recreational triggerfish representative for appointment in December 2012.

#### I. SSC Selection - John

1. None

### I. AP Selection - Kim

1. None

### K. Catch Shares - Gregg

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

## L. Data Collection – Gregg

- 1. Provide Council actions on the Joint Dealer Amendment to NMFS and GMFMC Staff and work to revise the document based on the SAFMC actions.
- 2. Coordinate the review/deeming by GMFMC & SAFMC Chairs October
- 3. Submit the Amendment for formal review October
- 4. Participate in a Live demonstration of the Data Management System for Council staff asap
- 5. Make the necessary revisions to the CEBA-3 and bring back to the Council in December for final action
- 6. Council staff work with SEFSC staff to determine whether additional alternatives to the 21 day timing in Action 2, Alternative 2 should be considered and include in the revised document for December 2012 meeting.

[Note: Dr. Ponwith clarified that Item #4 would be completed prior to the December 2012 Council meeting.]

#### M. Full Council – Bob

1.

# XIV. December 3-7, 2012 - Wilmington - DRAFT

Hilton Wilmington Riverside 301 N. Water Street

Wilmington, NC 28401

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

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

#### **DRAFT**

- **A.** Council Member Visioning Workshop (TAB 1): What do we want our snapper grouper fishery to look like?
  - (1) Presentation by Rick Robins (MAFMC) on process used in Mid-Atlantic
  - (2) Council Discussion Michelle Duval, SG Committee Chair
  - (3) Direction to Staff Michelle Duval
- B. Joint Habitat and Ecosystem-Based Management Committee (Anna/Roger) (TAB 2) Monday 1:30 3:00 pm
  - (1) Results from Joint APs Meeting Anna
  - (2) Report from Habitat AP Meeting Roger
  - (3) Coral Amendment 7 (Coral HAPCs & Transit Through Oculina HAPC) Anna
    - a. Overview Anna
    - b. Committee Action & Approve for public hearings Doug Haymans
  - (4) Update on Ecosystem Activities Anna Martin/Roger Pugliese, SAFMC Staff

#### C. Dolphin/Wahoo Committee (Brian) (TAB 3) – Monday 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm

- (1) Review List of Items for Scoping Brian
  - a. Framework
  - b. ABC/ACL/Allocation Adjustments from MRFSS/MRIP
  - c. Allocations
  - d. Bag Limit Sales
  - e. Others?
- (2) Approve Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 5 items for scoping Tom Swatzel
- (3) Other items?

## D. SEDAR (John) (TAB 4) (Portions Closed) – Monday 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

- (1) SEDAR Activities
- (2) Results from SEDAR Steering Committee Meeting David Cupka
- (3) SEDAR Schedule, TORs, and Appointment Approvals (SEDAR 32, 36, and sea bass update)

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

- Status of Commercial Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs NMFS SERO
- 2. Status of Recreational Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs NMFS SEFSC
- 3. Committee Action as Necessary Michelle Duval
- 4. Status of Amendments under Formal Review- NMFS SERO
  - a. Yellowtail Snapper Temporary Rule by Emergency Action
  - b. Regulatory Amendment 12/EA (Golden Tilefish ACL Adjustment)
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- 5. Advisory Panel Report
- 6. Scientific and Statistical Committee Report
- 7. Regulatory Amendment 13 (Adjustment of Un-assessed Snapper Grouper ABCs/Allocations/ACLs/ACTs)
  - a. Overview Brian
  - b. Committee approve for formal review Michelle Duval
- 8. Regulatory Amendment 15 (Yellowtail Snapper ABC/ACL/ACT and Gag AM Trigger & Red Snapper)
  - a. Overview Myra
  - b. Committee approve for formal review Michelle Duval
- 9. Snapper Grouper Amendment 28 (Red Snapper Reopening Framework)
  - a. Overview Myra
  - b. Committee approve for formal review Michelle Duval
- 10. Snapper Grouper Amendment 27 (Yellowtail/Mutton Snapper & Nassau Grouper Management Authority, Framework, & Blue Runner)
  - a. Overview Myra

- b. Committee guidance on actions/alternatives and approval for hearings Michelle Duval
- 11. MPAs and HAPCs for Speckled Hind & Warsaw Grouper
  - a. SERO Presentation on Reorientation of Appropriate Existing MPAs Based on Occurrence & Habitat Nick Farmer
  - b. Committee guidance on alternatives for inclusion in Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 17 Michelle Duval
- 12. Others???

#### F. Ad Hoc Data Collection Committee (Gregg) (TAB 6) – Wednesday 1:30 – 5:00 pm

- (1) Presentations:
  - a. Post-Stratification Methodology used to arrive at Recreational Landings Estimates (including whether the methodology has been reviewed and whether it is used in other regions) NMFS SEFSC
  - b. Results of Live Demonstration of the Quota Monitoring System for Council Staff Gregg Waugh/Bonnie Ponwith
- (2) Status of Joint SA/GM Generic Dealer Permit NMFS SERO
- (3) CE-BA 3 (Data Issues) Gregg Waugh/Anna Martin
  - a. Overview Gregg
  - b. Committee guidance on actions/alternatives and approval for formal review Michelle Duval

### G. Personnel Committee (CLOSED) (Bob) (TAB 7) – Thursday 8:30 am – 9:30 am

- (1) Executive Director Performance Review
- (2) Other items?

### H. Executive/Finance (Bob/Mike) (TAB 8) – Thursday 10:00 am – 12:00 noon

- (1) Budget
- (2) SSC Review Responsibility discuss what should the SSC review
- (3) Council Follow-up and Priorities
- (4) Others?
- I. 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.

- J. Council Session (TAB 9) (with public comment period) Thursday 1:30 5:00 pm and Friday 8:30 am noon
  - I. Presentations ????

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

- (1) Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 13 (Adjustment of Un-assessed Snapper Grouper ABCs/Allocations/ACLs/ACTs)
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- (3) Snapper Grouper Amendment 28 (Red Snapper Reopening Framework)
- (4) Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment 3 (Data Items)

### III. Council Approval for Scoping/Public Hearings

- (1) Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 5 (Items for Scoping)
- (2) Snapper Grouper Amendment 27 (Yellowtail/Mutton Snapper & Nassau Grouper Management Authority, Framework, & Blue Runner) public hearings
- (3) Coral Amendment 7 (Coral HAPCs & Transit) public hearings

#### **IV. Committee Reports & Other Items**

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

- A. Ecosystem Committee Report (TAB 2) ACTION
- B. Dolphin/Wahoo Committee Report (TAB 3) ACTION
- C. SEDAR Committee Report (TAB 4) ACTION
- D. Snapper Grouper Committee Report (TAB 1&5) ACTION
- E. Ad Hoc Data Collection Committee Report (TAB 6) ACTION
- F. Personnel Committee Report (TAB 7) ACTION
- G. Executive/Finance Committee (TAB 8) ACTION
- H. NMFS SERO Presentations (material is to be provided to the SAFMC office by noon on 11/12/2012 for inclusion in the briefing book):
  - (a) Status of Commercial Catches versus ACLs
  - (b) Status of Recreational and Commercial Quota Monitoring Tables on SERO Web Site
  - (d) Status of Shrimp Amendment 9
  - (e) Other issues?
- J. NMFS SEFSC Presentations (material is to be provided to the SAFMC office by noon on 11/12/2012 for inclusion in the briefing book):
  - (a) Status of Bycatch Collection Programs
  - (b) Progress reports on headboat data entry
  - (c) Status of Recreational Catches versus ACLs
- K. Review Experimental Fishing Permits as necessary ACTION

# XV. March 4-8, 2013 - St. Simons Island, Georgia - DRAFT

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St. Simons Island, GA 31522

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- **A. Council Member Workshop (TAB 1):** What do we want our snapper grouper fishery to look like? **FOLLOW-UP FROM DECEMBER 2012?????** 
  - (1) Presentation by ???????
  - (2) Council Discussion Michelle Duval, SG Committee Chair
  - (3) Direction to Staff Michelle Duval
- B. Law Enforcement AP Meeting (TAB 2) CONCURRENT- Monday 1:30 5:00 pm
  - (1) Review Amendments
  - (2) Other items???

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

- (1) Results from Public Hearings Anna
- (2) Coral Amendment 8 (Coral HAPCs & Transit Through Oculina HAPC) Anna
  - a. Overview Anna
  - b. Committee Action & Approve for formal review Doug Haymans
- (3) Update on Ecosystem Activities Anna Martin/Roger Pugliese, SAFMC Staff

### D. Dolphin/Wahoo Committee (Brian) (TAB 4) – Monday 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

- (1) Review Scoping Comments Brian
- (2) Review Options Paper and provide guidance Tom Swatzel
- (3) Other items?

# E. Snapper Grouper Committee Meeting (Myra) (TAB 5) – Tuesday 8:30 am – 5:30 pm

- Status of Commercial Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs NMFS SERO
- 2. Status of Recreational Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs NMFS SEFSC
- 3. Committee Action as Necessary Michelle Duval
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  - h. Amendment 28/EA (Red Snapper Framework)
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  - b. Committee provide guidance Michelle Duval
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  - a. Overview Myra
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- 9. Snapper Grouper Amendment 27 (Blue Runner and Yellowtail/Mutton Snapper & Nassau Grouper Management Responsibility)
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  - b. Review public hearing comments Myra
  - c. Committee action and approval for formal review Michelle Duval
- 10. MPAs and HAPCs for Speckled Hind & Warsaw Grouper
  - a. Depending on guidance from December meeting
- 11. Others???

#### F. SEDAR (John) (TAB 6) (Portions Closed) – Wednesday 8:30 pm – 10:00 am

- (1) SEDAR Activities
- (2) Results from SEDAR Steering Committee Meeting David Cupka Others?

# G. Ad Hoc Data Collection Committee (Gregg) (TAB 7) – Wednesday 10:00 – noon IF NEEDED????

- (1) Presentations:
  - a. ?
- (2) Status of Joint SA/GM Generic Dealer Permit NMFS SERO
- (3) Status of CE-BA 3 (Data Issues) NMFS SERO
- (4) Others???

#### H. Mackerel Committee (Kari) (TAB 8) – Wednesday 1:30 – 5:00 pm

- (1) Status of Commercial Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs NMFS SERO
- (2) Status of Recreational Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs NMFS SEFSC
- (3) Joint SA/GM Mackerel Amendment 19
  - a. Overview of Actions/Alternatives Kari
  - b. Review social/economic analyses Kari/Brian
  - c. Committee Action & Choose preferred alternatives for all actions—Ben Hartig
- (4) Joint SA/GM Mackerel Amendment 20
  - d. Overview of Actions/Alternatives Kari
  - e. Review social/economic analyses Kari/Brian
  - a. Committee Action & Choose preferred alternatives for all actions—Ben Hartig
- (5) South Atlantic Mackerel Framework
  - a. Overview of Actions/Alternatives Kari
  - b. Review social/economic analyses Kari/Brian
  - c. Committee Action & Choose preferred alternatives for all actions—Ben Hartig
- (6) Other items?

## I. Executive/Finance (Bob/Mike) (TAB 9) – Thursday 8:30 am – 10:00 am

- (1) Budget
- (2) Council Follow-up and Priorities
- (3) Others?
- J. Open informal public question and answer session with NMFS Administrator Dr. Roy Crabtree and Council Chairman David Cupka Wednesday beginning at 5:30 p.m.

#### K. Executive/Finance (Bob/Mike) (TAB 10) – Thursday 10:00 am – noon

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

# L. Council Session (TAB 11) (with public comment period) – Thursday 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm and Friday 8:30 am - noon

I. Presentations - ????

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

- (1) Snapper Grouper Amendment 27 (Blue Runner and Yellowtail/Mutton Snapper & Nassau Grouper Management Responsibility)
- (2) Coral Amendment 8 (Coral HAPCs & Transit Through Oculina HAPC)

#### **III. Committee Reports & Other Items**

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

- A. Ecosystem Committee Report (TAB 2) ACTION
- B. Dolphin/Wahoo Committee Report (TAB 3) ACTION
- C. SEDAR Committee Report (TAB 4) ACTION
- D. Snapper Grouper Committee Report (TAB 1&5) ACTION
- E. Ad Hoc Data Collection Committee Report (TAB 6) ACTION
- F. Mackerel Committee Report (TAB 7) ACTION
- G. Personnel Committee Report (TAB 8) ACTION
- H. Executive/Finance Committee (TAB 9) ACTION
- I. NMFS SERO Presentations (material is to be provided to the SAFMC office by noon on 11/12/2012 for inclusion in the briefing book):
  - (a) Status of Commercial Catches versus ACLs
  - (b) Status of Recreational and Commercial Quota Monitoring Tables on SERO Web Site
  - (d) Status of Shrimp Amendment 9
  - (e) Other issues?
- J. NMFS SEFSC Presentations (material is to be provided to the SAFMC office by noon on 11/12/2012 for inclusion in the briefing book):
  - (a) Status of Bycatch Collection Programs
  - (b) Progress reports on headboat data entry
  - (c) Status of Recreational Catches versus ACLs
- K. Review Experimental Fishing Permits as necessary ACTION

### XVI. 2012 PRIORITIES & TIMING – Exhibit #1 shows most recent

Council-approved activity schedule. This section is being updated to track that timing.

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

# $\sqrt{1}$ . Snapper Grouper Amendment 24/EIS (Red Grouper) - Myra

[Start 6/10 notification; Final Council action 12/2011 to meet statutory deadline.] [Note: At September 2010 meeting, Council moved black grouper to the Comprehensive ACL Amendment.]

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

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# 2. Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment 3 - Anna

- A. √SAFMC reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper March 2012
- B.  $\sqrt{SSC}$  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. Modify and approve for formal review in December.
- H. Send to Secretary of Commerce December 14, 2012
- I. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_

# $\sqrt{3}$ . Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 12 (Golden Tilefish) – Gregg

- A. √Public Hearings on Amendment 18B January/February 2012
- B. √Public Hearing March 8, 2012 in Savannah, GA
- C. √March 5-9, 2012 in Savannah, GA review public hearing comments, modify & approve for formal review
- D.  $\sqrt{\text{Send}}$  to Secretary of Commerce 5/2/12
- E.  $\sqrt{\text{Final regulations effective } 10/9/12}$ .

# $\sqrt{4}$ . Snapper Grouper Amendment 18/18A/18B – Myra/Brian

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

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

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

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

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

- A.  $\sqrt{\text{Scoping}}$  January/February 2009.
- B. √Review scoping comments, LAPP Working Group recommendations, and options March & June 2009.
- C. √Public hearings were held in November 2009 and comments reviewed in December 2009. Guidance was provided to staff.
- D.  $\sqrt{\text{Review Amendment and provide guidance at March 2010 meeting.}}$
- E.  $\sqrt{\text{Review Amendment and approve for 2}^{\text{nd}}}$  round of public hearings. Amendment 18A approved for public hearings at September 2010 meeting.
- F. √Public hearings October/November 2010
- G. √Review public comments and approve final actions in Amendment 18A at December 2010 meeting. The Council added new alternatives and did not approve the final actions.
- H.  $\sqrt{\text{Review Amendment 18A in March or June 1011}}$ .
- I. √Review complete Amendment 18A document and approve for formal review by Secretary of Commerce June or September or December 2011.
- J. √Send Amendment 18A to Secretary of Commerce for formal review October 2011 or January 2012.
- K. Regulations effective by 7/1/12.

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

#### **Amendment 18A (Black Sea Bass & Data Collection)**

- a. √September 12-16, 2011 in Charleston, SC review, modify & approve for public hearings
- b. √December 5-9, 2011 in Raleigh, NC review, modify & approve for formal review
- c. √Send to Secretary of Commerce for formal review January 5, 2012.
- d.  $\sqrt{\text{Final regulations effective } 7/1/12}$ .

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

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

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

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

# 5. Joint SA/GM Dealer Amendment - Gregg

- 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.  $\sqrt{\text{Approve for public hearings at June 2012}}$
- 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 10/30/12.
- H. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_.

## 6. Shrimp Amendment 9 - Anna

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

# 7. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 13/CE (Technical Adjustment to Allocations & ACLs) – Brian

- A. VCouncil directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at June meeting
- B. Council review at September December meeting
- C. Public comment at September December meeting
- D. Council final approval at September December meeting
- E. Send to Secretary of Commerce December 14, 2012
- F. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_

# 8. 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. Council final approval at December meeting
- E. Send to Secretary of Commerce December 14, 2012
- F. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_

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

- A. √Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of amendment at September 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 meeting
- C. Public comment at December meeting
- D. Council final approval at December meeting
- E. Send to Secretary of Commerce December 14, 2012
- F. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

# 11. Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 5/EA (ABC/ACL adjustment, Allocations, Sale & Framework) - Brian

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

## 12. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 14/EA or EIS - Myra

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

- a. Amberjack fishing year & reduce trip limit
- b. Mutton snapper additional protection during spawning season
- c. Grey triggerfish size limit & measurement (FL vs TL)
- d. Black sea bass fishing year recreational and commercial
- e. Vermilion snapper trip limit, bag limit, moving the opening of 2<sup>nd</sup> commercial season, and modify the recreational closed season.
- f. Red porgy increase the bag limit and red porgy commercial head count in the commercial fishery
- g. Grouper aggregate recreational bag limit increase the gag bag limit within the aggregate
- B. Council review and provides guidance at September meeting
- C. AP & SSC reviews in October?
- D. Council Approves for public hearings at December meeting
- E. Public hearings January/February 2013
- F. Public comment at March 2013 meeting
- G. Council final approval at March 2013 meeting
- H. Send to Secretary of Commerce March 29, 2013
- I. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_

# 13. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 16/EA (Golden Tilefish) – Brian

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

## 14. Joint Mackerel Amendment 19 (Permits & Sale) - Kari

- A. √SAFMC reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper March 2012
- B. √SSC input at April 3-5, 2012 meeting in Savannah, GA
- C. √AP reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper April 24-25, 2012
- D. Approve for public hearings at June. At the June meeting, the Council made changes and requested a Joint SA/GM Mackerel Committee meeting be held prior to pulbic hearings.
- E. Public hearings in August; now likely in January/February 2013.
- F. Review hearing comments, modify and approve for formal review in September. Now likely in March 2013.

## 15. Joint Mackerel Amendment 20 (Boundaries & Transit) - Kari

- A. √SAFMC reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper March 2012
- B.  $\sqrt{SSC}$  input at April 3-5, 2012 meeting in Savannah, GA
- C.  $\sqrt{\text{AP}}$  reviews Scoping Document/Options Paper April 24-25, 2012
- D. √Approve for public hearings at June. At the June meeting, the Council made changes and requested a Joint SA/GM Mackerel Committee meeting be held prior to pulbic 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.

# 16. Mackerel Regulatory Amendment XX/EA (Atlantic King Mackerel regulations) – Kari

- A. √Council directed staff/IPT to begin development of regulatory amendment at June meeting. First step would be informal meetings with fishermen during August 2012 public hearings.
- B. Council guidance on Actions/Alternatives at September meeting
- C. Public comment at September meeting
- D. Public comment at December meeting
- E. Council final approval at December meeting
- F. Send to Secretary of Commerce \_\_\_\_\_
- G. Final regulations effective \_\_\_\_\_

#### Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 17/EA or EIS (MPAs *17.* 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/warwas grouper at December meeting
- B. Council to discuss at December meeting and provide guidance to staff on options and timing for development of regulatory amendment

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3.	Golden Crab Amendment 6 – Brian
√A.	Scope for a Golden Crab LAP Amendment in November 2009.
$\sqrt{\mathbf{B}}$ .	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.
√E.	September 13-17, 2010 Council meeting – status report.
Not	e: Due to workload on amendments with a statutory deadline, work on Golden
	Crab Amendment 6 was deferred into 2011.
√F.	December 6-10, 2010 Council meeting – choose preferred alternatives.
	December 5-9-7-11, 2011 Council meeting – approve for public hearings.
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$\sqrt{I}$ .	March 2012 <del>June 13-17, 2011</del> Council meeting – review public hearing comments and
	approve all actions.
J.	√June 2012 <del>September 12-16, 2011</del> Council meeting – review complete document and
	approve for formal review. Council provided guidance and revised alternatives at June
	meeting. Also directed staff to meet with permit holders.
K.	√September 10-14, 2012 Council meeting – review complete document and approve for
	formal review. Council provided guidance and revised alternatives at September
	meeting; also directed staff to meet with AP and bring document back at March 2013
	meeting.
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M.	Send to Secretary of Commerce
N.	Final regulations implemented

#### *19.* Snapper Grouper Amendment 22 (Red Snapper Tag System to track harvest) - Myra

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

- A. Proposed timing goal is to implement for 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.

#### *20.* Snapper Grouper Amendment 29/EA or EIS (Allocations, ORCS) revisions) - Myra

A. Council will discuss at June 2013 meeting.

#### Analysis of Voluntary IFQ *21.*

- 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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Exhibit 1. Council-approved activity schedule as of September 2012 meeting.