



# SOUTH ATLANTIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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## **AGENDA**

### **Snapper Grouper Commercial Sub-Committee**

Radisson Resort at the Port  
8701 Astronaut Blvd.  
Cape Canaveral, FL

#### **Monday, June 9, 2025, 8:30 AM – 10:00 AM**

- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes (March 2025)

#### **8:45 am – 9:15 am**

1. Review of Updated Commercial Data Analyses (*Attachment 1*)
  - a. Overview – Mike Schmidtke and Chip Collier

#### **9:15 am – 9:55 am**

2. Amendment 60 (Commercial Permits and Trip Efficiency) (*Attachment 2*)
  - a. Overview – Mike Schmidtke
  - b. **Sub-Committee Action:** Review drafted potential actions and timelines and consider recommending approval of the amendment for scoping.

#### **9:55 am – 10:00 am**

3. Other Business

Adjourn

#### **Sub-Committee Members:**

Jessica McCawley, Chair

Kerry Marhefka, Vice-chair

Amy Dukes

Tim Griner

Jimmy Hull

Trish Murphey

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Staff Lead: Mike Schmidtke ([mike.schmidtke@safmc.net](mailto:mike.schmidtke@safmc.net))

**Attachments:**

**Attachment 1:** Updated Commercial Trip Analyses Report

**Attachment 2:** Amendment 60 (Commercial Permits and Trip Efficiency) Decision Document

# **OVERVIEW**

## **Snapper Grouper Commercial Sub-Committee**

### **1. Review of Updated Commercial Data Analyses (*Attachment 1*)**

In March 2025, Council staff presented a report that analyzed landings for the top 10 commercially-landed snapper grouper species. The Sub-Committee requested an expansion of these analyses to include additional snapper grouper species, the number and length of commercial trips over time, breakdowns of landing and effort information by state, and commercial discard information from observers. Council staff will present the updated report for the Sub-Committee's consideration in developing management actions.

**Sub-Committee Action:** None.

### **2. Amendment 60 (Commercial Permits and Trip Efficiency) (*Attachment 2*)**

In March 2025, the Council initiated an amendment to consider revisions to commercial permit policies as well as management measures that would improve commercial trip efficiency. Staff will present a draft timeline for the amendment, potential actions that have been discussed thus far, and discuss questions that could be used to elicit public input through scoping.

**Sub-Committee Action:** Review the draft timeline and potential actions. Discuss public input that is needed for further amendment development. Consider recommending approval for scoping.

### **3. Other Business**