



SOUTH ATLANTIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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AGENDA

Full Council Session II

Drury Plaza Hotel North Charleston
2934 West Montague
North Charleston, SC 29418

Thursday, September 17, 2026, 2:45 pm – 5:00 pm

[June 2026 Full Council 2 Report](#)

- Election of Chair and Vice Chair
- 1. Comprehensive Amendment to Address Commercial Trip Limit Sale and Revise the Abbreviated Framework Process (*Attachment 1*) – Myra Brouwer
 - a. Review discussion document
- 2. Modification of Sea Turtle Release Gear (*Attachments 2a and 2b*) – Christina Curtis
 - a. Discuss approach to modify requirements for sea turtle release gear in the South Atlantic
- 3. Management of Cownose Rays (*Attachments 3a and 3b*)
- 4. Topics for Fall 2026 Mackerel Cobia AP meeting (*Attachment 4*) – Christina Curtis
 - a. Review, modify as needed, and approve agenda topics

Friday, September 18, 2026, 8:30 am – 12:00 noon

8:30 am – 10:00 am

- 5. SAFMC Q3 Workplan (*Attachment 5*)
- 6. Committee Reports:
 - Full Council 1 (closed session)
 - Full Council 1 (open session)
 - Habitat and Ecosystem
 - SECAD

-- Break --

10:45 am – 12:00 noon

- Snapper Grouper
- Executive (June 2026)

7. Upcoming SAFMC Meetings (*Attachment 7*)

8. Other Business

Attachments:

Attachment 1a: Discussion Document on Commercial Trip Limit Sale and Abbreviated Framework Process

Attachment 1b: Using Frameworks to Facilitate Responsive Management

Attachment 2a: Gulf Council's letter to SERO regarding sea turtle release gear modifications

Attachment 2b: SERO's response to Gulf Council's request regarding sea turtle release gear modifications

Attachment 3a: FWC letter requesting extension of state regulations for cownose rays into federal waters

Attachment 3b: SERO response to FWC regarding extension of state regulations for cownose rays into federal waters

Attachment 4: Draft list of topics for Mackerel Cobia AP Fall 2026 meeting

Attachment 5: SAFMC workplan Q3

Attachment 6: Draft Committee Reports (*available on Sept 18*)

Attachment 7: SAFMC Upcoming Meetings

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