

SOUTH ATLANTIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Fishery Ecosystem Plan – Comprehensive Ecosystem Amendment Public Hearing

**Port Canaveral, Florida
May 9, 2008**

Summary Minutes

Ms. Ross: – Conservation Chair of Volusia-Flagler Sierra Club and eight years ago I went to St. Augustine, one of these meetings, and I learned so much that I haven't ordered shrimp or grouper since and I'm considering giving up all fish because all the news is bad.

I saw something recently in coastal Africa, scientists have noticed that the large mammals are disappearing and it's a direct reflection of the dearth of fish in the sea. If they can't get their protein from the sea, they're going to get it from bush meat; from lions, the monkeys, whatever they can trap.

I'd like to speak in support of banning these destructive fishing practices like longline and trawling and do as much marine conservation areas, restricted areas, to give the ecosystem a chance to recover. I'm very concerned about global heating, the acidification of the oceans. I know you have a large problem on your plate and I hope you will listen to the scientists and have the political will to carry through and save what we can while we can. Thanks.

Mr. Robson: Thank you.

Ms. Rice: Can you hear me okay? Yes, I'm here to speak on the Comprehensive Ecosystem Amendment. My name's Darden Rice and I work with Oceana. We are an international ocean protection organization and we interface with the regional fishery management councils because our organization works on protecting deepwater habitat. So we'd like to thank the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council and the staff. We realize that this undertaking of approaching a comprehensive, ecosystem-based management is a first step that you took ten years ago and, now, we're looking at making a decision in June in Orlando where we're finally, like, moving towards actually voting on the first amendment under this FEP. And I think that's something to really be proud about.

In short, and I'll keep my comments very short, Oceana does ask that the Council support taking the strongest management actions, alternatives for the deepwater coral protection. We'd like to recognize and, certainly, thank the good people who are affiliated with and work with the Golden Crab and the Deep Water Shrimp Fisheries and the APs. I think that we have some really good options and alternatives on the table, and these are options

that balance the protection of the deepwater coral in the proposed coral HAPC boundaries with preserving the traditional fishing areas.

We're particularly glad to see in Roger's presentation, a couple doors down, we're glad to see that we've been able to get that high resolution on the map to look at the VMS points for the Royal Red Fishery and to get a higher resolution of the coral HAPC boundary along the 400-meter western boundary. And by using that higher resolution we see that if we keep with the current coral HAPC boundary it will only affect less than one percent of the Royal Red Fishery. And when you look at that map you can tell that that fishery is pretty much west of the coral HAPCs.

So in short, we would like to see the Council adopt the strongest protections possible for this deepwater coral habitat. I think we've got a good boundary line there that – in respect to that fishery and we certainly recognize that the Golden Crab Fishery is probably one of the most sustainable fisheries that has worked very proactively with the Council and with scientists to lay out some good regulations to continue the way that they continue to fish within these coral HAPCs and those alternatives are listed in the Plan.

So thank you, again. It's good to see that the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council is looking at these proposed actions that will, in short, cover the largest pristine untouched deepwater coral systems in the world and this is something that certainly puts the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, I think, really leaps and bounds ahead in terms of leadership. Thank you very much and thanks for the opportunity to speak to you today.

Mr. Robson: Thank you very much, Ms. Rice.

Mr. Heil: This is David Heil and I'm here on behalf of the Central Port Offshore Anglers. We would oppose any changes to the regulations in regards to the closure of areas off the Port Canaveral area. We do not believe these are warranted. The fishing pressure in regards to recreational fishery out there is so miniscule at this point, anyways, in the depths you're talking about, that there would be little to no impact in regards to the recreational.

Commercial is a different matter, of course, when you have somebody dragging nets or dropping longlines across the coral that's one thing, but as far as recreational impacts in the depths of water you're talking about we have no impact at all on that coral out there as far as this area. I don't even know of anybody that, actually, recreational fishes out there. The deepest that most people you can get out here is probably about 600 foot and I understand that the coral depths that you're talking about are much substantially deeper than that. Thank you.

Mr. Robson: Thank you, Mr. Heil.

Mr. Huber: My name's Dave Huber. I'm the Chairman of the Florida Chapter of the Recreational Fishing Alliance. I'm here today representing our membership which

includes individual anglers, boat builders, fishing tackle manufacturers, party and charter boat businesses, bait and tackle retailers, marinas and many other businesses and fishing communities.

Our membership includes over 2,000 members in the State of Florida and over 50,000 members, nationwide. Comments regarding the South Atlantic Fishery Ecosystem Plan – collectively, recreational fishing in the reference area produces over \$3.4 billion annually in economic output and supports 49,817 full-time equivalent jobs according to the reference.

Habitat is essential in order for many of the important recreational fisheries to be productive. Recreational fishermen have a long history of supporting programs that restore, enhance and produce fish habitat because there is sufficient evidence that these efforts are beneficial to both the fish and the fishermen.

RFA supports Alternative 2 and Sub-Alternatives 2A through 2E under the section. Furthermore, RFA supports Prohibitions 1 through 4 under the section in order to protect deepwater corals under the caveat that hook and line gear or fishermen are not restricted from these areas.

The ecological importance of deepwater coral is understood throughout current scientific literature and it's understood that not all deepwater coral have been directly identified. Noting the potential damage that can ensue from human activities, RFA encourages the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council to create a streamlined, adaptive process which would allow public and industry input but decrease the time necessary to protect deepwater corals once identified.

Okay, I'm going to do some comments on Amendment 16.

Mr. Rader: Thank you, Mr. Robson. My name is Douglas Neil Rader. I'm a Ph.D. Marine Ecologist from Raleigh, North Carolina. I'm here to comment wearing each of two hats today; first, as the Chair of your Habitat and Environmental Protection Advisory Panel reiterating recommendations from that panel to you that you have received before related to both the Fishery Ecosystem Plan and the Comprehensive Amendment which would implement it; and then second – and I'll make clear where the two things start and stop – and then as the second hat I'll be commenting on behalf of the Environmental Defense Fund members nationally and in the U.S. Southeast and I'll make clear where those two sets of comments bridge.

So I'll start, first, as the Chair of your Habitat and Environmental Protection Advisory Panel, in fact, I had chaired that panel throughout the long process to work together with scientists and agency representatives to put together the current proposals that came from those advisory panels. And before commenting on them I should say, for the record, that I personally – I know the Council is deeply grateful to the scientists who have given greatly of themselves, including in terms of information which is not yet published and therefore, would not routinely be available, in order to keep these proposals consistent

with the best available science. So my view on this is that the work of that panel does constitute the best available science related to that kind of habitat information.

So on behalf of that AP I want to endorse full protection for the entire zone, as previously recommended in the proposal, that constitutes all of alternatives to with adequate protection given to both fishing and non-fishing threats as the essential fish habitat doctrine allows and that also is consistent with the action taken in by the Council in December of 2004 to move forward to protect all known deepwater coral sites in the U.S. and Southeast.

In addition to that though, new information from members of the advisory panels suggests that there might be and probably are – is an additional zone in the north, in the high probability zone that we identified for you in December last, that also contains deepwater corals. Steve Ross sent that information just recently to us and I'm transmitting it onto staff. So just for the record the prediction that we made that additional sites would be found in that high probability zone is coming true.

The Advisory Panels, neither Habitat nor Coral, have reviewed any of the other alternatives from the Golden Crab nor Royal Red Shrimp industries and I will make sure that they go out for comment during the public process so that you can get the benefit back of your habitat experts in making that happen.

So that's the end of my comments on the instruments as Chair of the Habitat and Environmental Protection Advisory Panel.

Wearing my second hat as Principal Ocean Scientist with Environmental Defense, I would like first to reiterate our strong support for all of the alternatives developed through the advisory panel process and contained in the Fishery Ecosystem Plan, including the policies and programs to protect essential fish habitat against fishing and non-fishing activities, including the policy statements that are laid out, therein. That approach in this region has been extraordinarily valuable and moving forward with it to finalize that document will be a very important investment.

Similarly, I'd like to reiterate our organization's very strong support for protecting these world class, vulnerable, deepwater reefs against both fishing and non-fishing threats. We've talked about it in some ways ad nauseam, but animals 1,000 years old, coral mounds up to a million years old recording an irreplaceable and unique record of changing seas and changing climate is simply not something to be taken lightly. So precaution must be used in protecting these against all kinds of activities.

Now, for the record I'd like to say that I personally have met with members of both the Golden Crab and Royal Red Shrimping fleets at the Jekyll Island meeting and I do believe that both of those activities can be continued in economically viable ways but shaved such that their impact on these irreplaceable resources is eliminated or minimized. And specifically, with respect to the Royal Red Shrimp fleet, the boundary between high-value corals and fishing activities is very sharp and that the proposed movement of the

boundary to the east would, in fact, of any of the distances proposed, would, in fact, expose high-value, ancient corals to destruction by piecemeal nibbling, by the existing fleet but also to exposure to loss from new and developing fisheries in that area and to new and developing non-fishing activities in that area.

So the corals are where they are and we simply can't and won't support the movement to the east of the western boundary in order to accommodate enforcement protocols.

Now, where there are areas where bottom disturbing activities are traditional – where we've gotten it wrong, basically, on the western side then we/I, and I'm sure the advisory panels but I haven't asked them, are willing to look at resolving those issues and we are going to try to do that. But the way the alternatives are currently stated, we won't and can't support any of them. And I don't feel like I'm out on a limb anticipating that neither one of the Advisory Panels, Habitat and Coral Advisory Panels would support that.

Second, with respect to the Golden Crab fleet, we do believe that it's possible to accommodate the level of effort in that particular industry without having significant damage to these important and fragile corals, yet the fishing zones as are currently laid out as alternatives within the Plan and the Comprehensive Amendment don't fully accomplish that.

So we concur in theory with the notion of creating allowable Golden Crab gear activity areas within the HAPC continent with protecting, especially, the high-profile corals there and believe that a refinement of the alternatives may bring us to consensus on what that might look like.

We do support the alternatives related to VMS – 100 percent VMS coverage on the Golden Crab fleet but, in addition, support the consideration, either through this amendment or a subsequent Golden Crab amendment, of a capping on either effort or yield within this limited access fishery that does not now exist or perhaps more excitingly, the development of a turf system, a territorial use right foundation that, based on the existing permitting structure that right now, basically, allocates bottom to people in a way that would protect their long-term investment in those bottoms and the development of what was then a new fishery, but it also protects the very sensitive corals on the bottom. It's not clear to me that all of that needs to be accomplished now but I believe that there is some consensus that that direction could yield a long-term sustainable fishery that does minimum damage to the bottom.

The last couple things I want to mention pertain to other fisheries in this area that aren't expressly identified in the draft – while they're identified in the draft there are no proposed management measures. One has to do with the existing swordfishery that was, to tell you the truth, was a surprise to some of us that don't spend the time on the water that others in the room, perhaps, do – in the sinkholes on the **Portalis** Terrace, particularly, at significant depths and we would like to see impacts associated with that fishery characterized and limited.

And finally, in the rapidly developing recreational deep drop fishery, which is not yet very often to these depths, given that we're looking at 300 and 400 meters, but if you read the blogs I do you'll see fairly common photographs popping up of wreckfish and barrelfish and black-bellied rosefish and things like that that occur at these depths. And I think it'll be important, as we move forward – not to move forward at this time to aggressively prohibit those activities but instead to come to understand them better and, in fact, to begin building a foundation for managing those things.

At this point, aside from wreckfish – the commercial wreckfishery – wreckfish fishery, the other species aren't managed so barrelfish is not in any fishery management unit, pot-bellied rosefish is not, etcetera. So the potential exists for new fisheries developing, either commercial or recreational, that would threaten these habitats. It is an appropriate time to figure out now how to get ready to deal with those.

So that's all I'll say for now. We will be submitting – we being Environmental Defense Fund, will be submitting written comments before the close of the record and I expect the Habitat AP, at least, will also be providing in written form once I've had a chance to circulate the draft to the members, the comments I've put in on their behalf today.

Thank you, Mr. Robson. If you have no – any questions?

Mr. Robson: No, I think you've laid your comments out very well. I can't think of any right now.

Mr. Rader: Great, thank you. We'll feel free to comment. Contact me personally or our organization if you have other comments. And we will reserve the right to comment on both Amendment 16 and Amendment 18, both at a later time and also during the comment period.

Mr. Robson: Thank you, again. Appreciate it.

Mr. DeBrango: I haven't had time to really get into it but I've spent – okay, I'm speaking on the Comprehensive Fisheries Ecosystem Plan. I really haven't had a whole bunch of time to read this one yet because I've got so much information on my plate right now it's hard to even spend – and you know exactly what I'm talking about.

I spent a lot of years in the wreck grounds from anywhere from 1,200 foot of water to what, 2,400, 2,500 foot. I did the Golden Crab industry. I actually fished in those areas, the Habitats of Particular Concern. I don't have any problem with closing an area down like that. The only – in diving from Key West, Florida all the way through North Carolina, the only positive, federally managed programs, if you want to call them – the only positive signs I've seen out of any kind of management program – I mean, look at the **vermilion**. We managed that and it's still messed up – was ____ Sanctuaries. Look at the bank we got down here, the one that's been closed now, you know, the Oculina, that's a positive success story.

Why can't we go in and create more reefs, create more spots. Let's grow our fish. We want to talk aquaculture. Well, aquaculture is growing our own fish. We create these sanctuaries, these fish are going to survive, they're going to grow they're going to go into these areas. You go down to any sanctuary where the fishing pressure is zero that has been that way for many years and you go in the most diverse communities you've ever seen. Every fish you want to see is there, multiple gags, multiple snappers, the whole diverse community is there. The fish know where to go hide and what they're doing is they're breeding our future generations. That is the only management plan that I've seen that actually is positive of all these years.

Otherwise what we're doing is we're just guesstimating information. We're taking assumed information here and we are turning it back and we're putting people out of business from North Carolina to Key West and putting people on welfare. So I agree with closing areas down. Growing our future stocks of fish in those areas. That's the best kind of aquaculture we can get, right there. And that's it.

Mr. Robson: Thank you very much.

Mr. Penovich: My name is Joe Penovich. I'm the owner of Sunrise Marina Grill's Restaurant and Obsession Charters and I've been fishing and diving commercially, recreationally and in a charter boat capacity for about 30 years out of Port Canaveral. And I would just really ask again that we use common sense where it comes to the deepwater corals and there's some great scientists, they've dedicated their life to their work. I don't believe in a million-year old theory. It comes from a Christian perspective so that's – there's data that could suggest otherwise but I've heard scientists make comments about the thousands and thousands of years it takes a branch of *Oculina* coral to grow and I've seen pictures of branches of *Oculina* coral the size of this table that are attached to and growing on the ships that were sank in the 40's. So obviously, it's not going to take thousands of years for that coral to grow that size. Now, I'd just like to point that out and to let that weigh in when you're making these decisions.

I hate to point out any fishery, you know, I know that there's a lot of hardworking people out there but there is a big difference in an eight ounce sinker dropping down and fishing that area as opposed to a net being drug over the top of that stuff. And again, I just ask that common sense would be used in determining these things before the entire area is shut down which, again, would affect our business.

There's certain times of the year that our fish are not in shore. They're out there in that 200 to 240 foot of bottom fishing and it's pretty important that we're out there fishing. You've also got a problem with the closed bank and the *Oculina* off Sebastian Inlet. Again, to the best of my knowledge and from just hearing talk amongst fishermen, all that's been created down there is a great place for poachers to exist because there's no enforcement capability and so you've shut the fishery off to honest people and you've created a fishery habitat for those who would poach.

Mr. Robson: Thank you.

Mr. Penovich: Okay, thank you.

Mr. Robson: And, again, you may want to check in also with the staff person that could, maybe, give you – you can take a good look at the area that they're talking about for this newer habitat area because it is mostly in very deepwater beyond what's the current Oculina area.

Mr. Penovich: Yeah, and I wasn't sure where it – I know that the Oculina Bank in Sebastian has been a contentious area for a little while but I –

Mr. Robson: These new proposed areas would be very, very deepwater. So check in with them and see and it may not be as much – at least in terms of your particular concerns, it may not be as much of an impact on you, as a business.

Mr. Penovich: Okay. Thank you much.

Laurilee Thompson FEP PH & FEP Deepwater Corals

Ms. Thompson: Yes, sir. Turn it off. Okay. That was bad wasn't it? My name's Laurilee Thompson. I'm the co-owner of the Dixie Crossroads Seafood Restaurant in Titusville and we've been working with Royal Red fishermen for, actually since the 1960's. So we've been working with these people for a long, long time.

I support the ecosystem plans and the comprehensive amendments. I'm the Conservation Chair of the Indian River Audubon Society, so I understand the need for protection of ecosystem areas.

However, I have a concern that the depiction of the 400-meter line that's on your drawing – it might not actually be really true to where the 400-meter fathom curve is because, really, the shrimpers can't fish in that depth of water and they can't fish in the coral. And the Royal Red Fishery is, like a lot of other commercial fisheries, due to the cost of fuel, the loss of areas to unload, just the whole economic pressures that are on the fisheries, there's not that many boats that are left in the fishery anymore and so their impact is being lessened.

Because of the fact that they physically cannot drag in the deepwater coral habitat, they literally cannot physically do it because it's dangerous. If they get hung up the tide can turn their boat sideways, the boats turn over. They don't want to risk the loss of gear and so you're records that you have of the vessel monitoring system, is really good. I like the work that Carlos has done. I think it's really good but there's still a risk that a Royal Red shrimper that gets disabled and drifts into the habitat area of particular concern could be penalized even though he's not fishing.

And so what I'd like to see is a modest relocation of the western boundary – of the proposed boundary for the proposed Stetson Reefs, Savannah and East Florida Lithotherms and the Miami Terrace Habitat Area of Particular Concern should be revised and shifted a little bit to the eastward to achieve the following objectives and that's to insure that all traditional Royal Red Shrimp fishing areas that are documented by National Marine Fisheries Vessel Monitoring System data remain outside the Habitat Area of Particular Concern boundaries and to prevent innocent behavior, such as the vessel being disabled, from being unduly prosecuted and penalized when the disabled Royal Red fishing vessel drifts eastward from the fishing grounds and into the Habitat Area of Particular Concern. I'd also like to see the penalties either eliminated or substantially reduced for owners and operators of the disabled Royal Red Shrimp fishing vessels that do drift into the Habitat Area of Particular Concern.

And as I said before, it's physically impossible for a shrimper to fish in the deepwater coral habitat and I was looking at the alternatives that were suggested by the deepwater Coral Advisory Panel and any of them would suit me. Alternative 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, they would all adequately accommodate the needs of the fisheries and I'm looking at the comments, the economic social and administrative effects and all of them say that they would eliminate the minimal impact to the fishery but would, potentially, allow fishing on known high relief deepwater habitat.

That fishing is simply not going to occur. It's just economically impossible. The fishermen don't want to risk losing their nets by dragging in the coral and it's dangerous for them to be there. So even though there would be a possibility that would potentially allow fishing on the coral, it's just not going to happen.

And so commercial fishing allows people that don't have boats, that don't have the ability to go out in the ocean and catch fish to eat or catch shrimp for their own use – that allows people to be able to go to restaurants and have the opportunity to enjoy real seafood that comes out of the ocean that isn't grown on a farm and fed biotic, antibiotics and whatever else people feed to fish and shrimp that are on the commercial farms. It allows people to have an opportunity to have a real, healthy alternative from out of the ocean and I would hope that the Fisheries Management Council would continue to allow people to have that opportunity. Thank you.

Mr. Robson: Thank you, ma'am. The next card is Mr. Richard Wilson. Good afternoon.

Mr. Wilson: Good afternoon.

Mr. Robson: And you filled out a card for both the gag issue and Red Snapper so –

Mr. Saberholm: In regards to the deepwater HAPCs, my name is Mark Saberholm. I'm head of the 100-Fathom Fishing Club. We feel that, based on science, unless an MPA or HAPC is intended to protect fragile bottom habitats such as the Oculina Banks, MPAs and HAPCs are not needed and are a lazy, inefficient way to manage fisheries and are merely a cause du jour to appease the radical environmentalist lobby.

However, having said that, in the case of the proposed deepwater HAPCs where the traditional methods of recreational deep dropping will not be restricted, the 100-Fathom Fishing Club is in favor of protecting these delicate bottom habitats against destructive bottom trawling and bottom longlining. However, if there are any recreational restrictions being proposed, then we are opposed to any HAPCs in deepwaters at this time. Thank you.

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DATE OF MEETING

May 9, 2008

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Mike Hampson

TELEPHONE NUMBER (& AREA CODE)

386-345-3803

MAILING ADDRESS (PLEASE INCLUDE STREET OR BOX NO., CITY, STATE, & ZIP CODE)

1089 Volco Rd Edgewater FL 32141

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ROSS, ALEX

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