



# **SOUTH ATLANTIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

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## **AGENDA**

### **Habitat Protection and Ecosystem Based Management**

Westin Jekyll Island, 110 Ocean Way  
Jekyll Island, Georgia

**Wednesday March 4, 2020 – 8:30 A.M – 9:30 A.M. (Times subject to change)**

Approval of Agenda

Approval of September 2019 Committee minutes

1. Habitat and Ecosystems AP Report and Council Actions on Habitat
  - a. Overview – Roger Pugliese
  - b. Habitat Ecosystem Advisory Panel October 2019 Meeting Report (*Attachment 1*)  
– Dr. Wilson Laney, Habitat and Ecosystem Advisory Panel Liaison
2. Council Actions on Habitat and Ecosystem
  - a. Overview – Roger Pugliese
    1. Committee Action: Guidance and action as needed – Steve Poland

Other Business – Steve Poland

Adjourn

### **Habitat Protection and Ecosystem Based Management Committee**

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## Attachments

**Attachment 1.** Habitat Protection and Ecosystem Based Management Advisory Panel: October 2019 Meeting Report – Dr. Wilson Laney

**Staff:** Roger Pugliese

# **OVERVIEW**

## **Habitat Protection and Ecosystem Based Management Committee**

The Committee will approve of minutes from September 2019 meeting and agenda.

### **1. October 2019 Habitat Protection and Ecosystem Based Management Advisory Panel Meeting Report – (*Attachment 1*)**

**Description:** Dr. Wilson Laney will review a summary and recommendations developed during the November 2019 meeting of the Habitat Protection and Ecosystem Based Management Advisory Panel.

**Status:** The Advisory Panel addressed the following topics: NOAA Fisheries South Atlantic Ecosystem Status Report and South Atlantic Climate Vulnerability Analysis; BOEM - Kitty Hawk project area research and development activities; DEIS FKNMS Marine Zoning and Regulatory Review; Bullet and Frigate Mackerel as Ecosystem Component Species; South Atlantic Ecopath with Ecosim Model; 2019 Mapping/Characterization of South Atlantic Deep Water Ecosystems with NOAA Ship Okeanos Explorer “Windows of the Deep.” and “Deep Search” research expedition on NOAA Ship Ronald H. Brown; Southeast Reef Fish Survey (SERFS); Science Research Prioritization for SAFMC Citizen Science Program; State Panel Breakout Sessions State Activities addressing FEP II Implementation and FEP II Roadmap and State activities associated with climate change and extreme event planning; Training Session on updated Webservices and running Ecospecies queries.

<https://safmc.net/briefing-books/briefing-book-habitat-ecosystem-ap-october-2019/>

**Required Committee Action:** Provide guidance to staff and approve recommendations provided by the Advisory Panel as needed.

### **2. Council Actions on Habitat**

**Description:** Habitat issues may arise that the Council may require a timely response. This item serves as a place holder to provide flexibility to address such habitat issues.

**Required Committee Action:** Discuss and provide guidance to staff as needed.

## **Other Business**