FINAL SUMMARY REPORT SOUTH ATLANTIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL Atlantic Beach, NC December 7, 2017

The Committee approved minutes from the 2016 Information and Education Committee meeting and agenda.

Topic Item 1 – Information & Education Advisory Panel Report

Scott Baker, Chair of the Information & Education Advisory Panel, presented the Advisory Panel Report.

Via the report, the Committee received information and updates on the following topics:

- 1) Mobile App Transition
- 2) Fishermen's Forum
- 3) MyFishCount Recreational Reporting Outreach Project
- 4) Red Snapper 2017 Season Voluntary Reporting Opportunity
- 5) Citizen Science Program
- 6) Marine Resources Education Program

Other Business

- 1) MREP Update
 - a. The Council received an update from staff for the MREP schedule in 2018
- 2) Fishermen's Forum
 - a. Council staff showed the Council the online Fishermen's Forum and asked for direction on potential topics
 - i. Council members directed staff to include questions relevant to Fishery Performance Reports and specific questions regarding trip limits and annual specs at the end of fishing seasons.