

COMMITTEE REPORT
FROM THE JOINT MEETING OF THE LAW ENFORCEMENT ADVISORY
PANEL AND COMMITTEE
St. Simons, GA
March 8, 2011

The SAFMC Law Enforcement Committee met jointly with the Law Enforcement Advisory Panel on March 8, 2011 at St. Simons, GA. The Committee & AP discussed the following items:

Law Enforcement Advisory Panel Report:

Chisolm Frampton, Chair of the Law Enforcement AP (LEAP), provided an overview of items discussed during the LEAP meeting held on Monday March 7, 2011 in St. Simons, GA.

The LEAP received overviews from Council staff on Comprehensive Ecosystem-based Amendment 2, Regulatory Amendment 9 and the Comprehensive ACL Amendment as well as Regulatory Amendment 11. SERO staff provided the LEAP with an overview of the black sea bass bag limit analysis. The LEAP provided recommendations and requested another opportunity to review the Comprehensive ACL Amendment before it is approved for submission to the Secretary of Commerce in June 2011.

Vessel Monitoring Systems (VMS) Presentation:

Pat O'Shaughnessy, NOAA OLE, gave a presentation on the use of VMS in the Southeast region.

The LE Committee and LEAP made no motions.

Timing and Task Items:

- Add item on Law Enforcement of the Year Award to the agenda for the next 2011 LEAP meeting. LEAP should be prepared to discuss nominees at their next meeting.
- The LEAP should review the Comp ACL Amendment (possibly via webinar) prior to the June 2011 meeting.