

**SUMMARY REPORT  
FROM THE LAP PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING  
Hutchinson Island, FL  
Monday, June 8, 2009**

The LAP Program Committee met on Monday, June 8, 2009 in Hutchinson Island, FL.

**The Committee received the following presentations and conducted the following discussions.**

- ❖ The Council Vice-Chair provided the Committee with information contained in a presentation made by Jane Lubchenko in the May meeting of the CCC regarding catch shares (or LAPs).
- ❖ Council staff provided the LAP Program Committee with an overview of the Golden Crab AP and Wreckfish AP meetings and motions made.
- ❖ Council staff provided the Committee with an outline of how a comprehensive LAP amendment could be structured and why this might be desired as well as how a snapper grouper LAP could be structured.
  - Council staff provided information on time availability for working on a Comprehensive LAP Amendment.
  - Committee members suggested methods to deal with incorporating changes to the Wreckfish ITQ into an amendment. NMFS staff and Council staff agreed to hold a meeting to develop sub-alternatives to include under the Wreckfish ITQ changes action with the intention of bringing those staff recommendations to the Council at the September meeting. This should provide the Council with guidance on how to proceed with regard to making changes to the Wreckfish ITQ program.
- ❖ Council staff informed the Committee that several commercial snapper grouper fishermen have written and signed a letter in support of analysis of a LAP program in an amendment for the South Atlantic snapper grouper fishery.

**The Committee made no motions.**