

# Overview

## Law Enforcement Advisory Panel

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The Law Enforcement AP will: (A) receive an update from Council staff on changes to the Comprehensive ACL Amendment and formulate recommendations, (B) receive an update from Council staff on Regulatory Amendment 11 and formulate recommendations, and (C) address items under Other Business as needed.

### **A. Comprehensive ACL Amendment (Attachments 1a & 1b)**

At their March 2011 meeting the LEAP requested another opportunity to review the amendment before final approval by the Council. At that time, the amendment was undergoing substantial changes and the LEAP opted to wait until the changes were made to review the document and offer their recommendations to the Council on the proposed actions. Council staff will present an overview of the actions and alternatives in the amendment. The Council is scheduled to approve the amendment for submission to the Secretary of Commerce at their August 9<sup>th</sup> meeting in Charleston.

**REQUIRED LEAP ACTION:** The LEAP should provide recommendations as needed for each of the actions.

### **B. Regulatory Amendment 11 (Attachment 2)**

Regulatory Amendment 11 contains actions to modify or repeal the 240-ft closure implemented through Amendment 17B. At their June 2011 meeting, the Council modified the Purpose and Need of the amendment and chose as their preferred alternative to do away with the closure in its entirety. Council staff will update the LEAP on the status of the amendment and request recommendations. Regulatory Amendment 11 is scheduled for final approval at the August 9<sup>th</sup> Council meeting in Charleston.

**REQUIRED LEAP ACTION:** The LEAP should provide recommendations as needed.

### **C. Other Business**

#### **i. LEOY Award (Attachment 3)**

During the June 2011 Council meeting in Key West, the LE Committee received an update from the LEAP chair on the proposed approach to nominate and elect a deserving officer for an annual award. The Committee reviewed the draft eligibility and award criteria and made some recommendations.

**REQUIRED LEAP ACTION:** The LEAP should finalize and approve the eligibility and award criteria, discuss timing and provide guidance to Council staff.

**ii. Amendment 18A (Attachment 4)**

This amendment currently contains actions to modify management of the black sea bass fishery. Proposed actions include limiting effort through implementation of an endorsement program and reduction in the number of black sea bass pots, a requirement that all pots be removed from the water at the conclusion of each trip, revision of Accountability Measures for the recreational sector (put in place through Amendment 17B), and a change to the rebuilding strategy. Council staff will provide a brief overview of the actions and alternatives and provide an update on timing of this amendment.

**REQUIRED LEAP ACTION:** Provide recommendations as necessary.