#### SUMMARY REPORT FROM THE MACKEREL COMMITTEE MEETING

New Bern, NC December 7, 2010

The Mackerel Committee met on December 7, 2010 in New Bern, NC. The committee reviewed Mackerel Amendment 18/EA.

The committee approved the following motions:

I. MACKEREL AMENDMENT 18/EA

2.1 ACTION 1: Modifications to the Fishery Management Unit

MOTION#1: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 4 AS OUR PREFERRED

APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

MOTION #3: RECONSIDER OUR APPROVED MOTION FOR ALTERNATIVE 4 APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

MOTION #4: ADOPT NO PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE FOR ACTION 1 APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

MOTION #2: ADD SUB-ALTERNATIVES LISTING EACH OF THE SPECIES UNDER ALTERNATIVES 2-4 AND DEVELOP ACL ALTERNATIVES FOR FULL COUNCIL APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

Alternative 2. Retain only Gulf and Atlantic group king and Spanish mackerel and cobia in the management unit and designate all other species as ecosystem component species.

**Subalternative a: Cero** 

**Subalternative b: Little Tunny** 

Subalternative c: Dolphin in the Gulf Subalternative d: Bluefish in the Gulf

Alternative 3. Retain only Gulf and Atlantic group king and Spanish mackerel and cobia in the management unit, remove dolphin in the Atlantic, and designate all other species in the CMP FMP management plan as ecosystem component species.

Subalternative a: Cero

**Subalternative b: Little Tunny** 

Subalternative c: Dolphin in the Gulf Subalternative d: Bluefish in the Gulf

Alternative 4. Remove all species other than king mackerel, Spanish mackerel, and cobia from the CMP FMP.

**Subalternative a: Cero** 

**Subalternative b: Little Tunny** 

Subalternative c: Dolphin in the Gulf Subalternative d: Bluefish in the Gulf 2.2 ACTION 2: Modify the Framework Procedure

MOTION #5: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 3, OPTION 2 AS OUR PREFERRED APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

Alternative 3. Revise the framework procedure to incorporate the SEDAR process and adjustments to ACLs, and expand the procedure to allow adjustments of greater range of management measures under specific procedural guidelines.

**Option 2: Adopt the more broad Framework Procedure (Appendix C)** 

2.3 ACTION 3: Establish Separate Atlantic and Gulf Migratory Groups of Cobia MOTION #6: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 3 AS OUR PREFERRED APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

Alternative 3. Separate the two migratory groups at the SAFMC/GMFMC boundary.

- 2.13 ACTION 13: Specify MSY, MSST, MFMT/OFL, ABC, OY, ACL (TAC), and ACT levels for Atlantic Migratory Group King Mackerel
- **2.13.3** Allowable Biological Catch (ABC) Control Rule and ABC for Atlantic Migratory Group King Mackerel

IPT recommends changing Alternative 2 to read:

MOTION #7: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 2 AS OUR PREFERRED WITH ABC=10.46 MILLION POUNDS APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

Alternative 2. Adopt the SAFMC SSC recommended ABC control rule and establish ABC as 10.06—10.95 or 10.46 million pounds (MP).

### MOTION #8: MOVE ALTERNATIVE 5 TO CONSIDERED BUT REJECTED APPENDIX

#### APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

**Alternative 5.** Establish an ABC Control Rule where ABC is a percentage of OFL. The percentage is based upon the level of risk of overfishing (P\*).

**Alternative 5a.** ABC=X% of OFL. The X% is based upon P\* equals .20.

**Alternative 5b.** ABC=X% of OFL. The X% is based upon P\* equals .30.

**Alternative 5c.** ABC=X% of OFL. The X% is based upon P\* equals .40.

**Alternative 5d.** ABC=X% of OFL. The X% is based upon P\* equals .50.

# 2.13.4 Optimum Yield (OY) for Atlantic Migratory Group King Mackerel MOTION #9: ACCEPT THE IPT RECOMMENDATION TO FOLD THE OY INTO THE ACL ACTION

#### APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

The IPT recommends that OY be folded into the ACL action based on NOAA GC and NMFS RA guidance provided at the September 2010 South Atlantic Council meeting; a similar approach is being taken in the South Atlantic Council's Comprehensive ACL Amendment. This would move the OY alternatives shown below to Appendix F, Alternatives Considered but Eliminated from Detailed Consideration.

# 2.13.5 Annual Catch Limit (ACL) for Atlantic Migratory Group King Mackerel The IPT recommends adding OY to the alternatives as shown below and adding two subalternatives under Alternative 5.

### MOTION #10: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 2 AS OUR PREFERRED APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

**Alternative 2.**  $ACL = \frac{OY}{ABC} = ABC = 10.46$  million pounds which is the average of the ABC values for 2011-2013 recommended by the SSC.

### 2.13.6 Annual Catch Target (ACT) for Atlantic Migratory Group King Mackerel Action 2.13.6a. Commercial Sector ACT

# MOTION #11: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 1 AS OUR PREFERRED AND MOVE ALTERNATIVE 2 TO CONSIDERED BUT REJECTED APPENDIX APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

**Alternative 1.** Do not specify commercial sector ACTs for Atlantic migratory group king mackerel.

#### Action 2.13.6b. Recreational Sector ACT

### MOTION #12: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 4 AS OUR PREFERRED APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

**Alternative 4.** The recreational sector ACT equals sector ACL[(1-PSE) or 0.5, whichever is greater].

## 2.14 ACTION 14: Specify Accountability Measures (AMs) for Atlantic Migratory Group King Mackerel

## MOTION #13: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 2 AS MODIFIED AS OUR PREFERRED

**Alternative 2.** The commercial AM for this stock is to prohibit harvest, possession, and retention when the quota is PROJECTED TO BE MET met. All purchase and sale is prohibited when the quota is PROJECTED TO BE met.

Implement Accountability Measures (AMs) for the recreational sector for this stock. If the recreational sector ACL is exceeded, the Regional Administrator shall publish a notice taking action. Compare recreational ACL with recreational landings over a range of years. For 2011, use only 2011 landings. For 2012, use the average landings of 2011 and 2012. For 2013 and beyond, use the most recent three-year running average.

Subalternative a: Reduce the length of the following fishing year by the amount necessary to ensure landings do not exceed the recreational sector ACL for the following fishing year.

Subalternative b (**Preferred**): Reduce the bag limit to ensure landings do not exceed the recreational sector ACL for the following fishing year.

Note: Staff was directed to add these subalternatives with b as the preferred. The Committee should be sure the wording above tracks their intent.

### MOTION #14: ADOPT ALTERNATIVES 3A AND 4A AS OUR PREFERRED ALTERNATIVES

#### APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

**Alternative 3.** Commercial payback of any overage.

Sub-Alternative 3a. Payback regardless of stock status.

**Alternative 4.** Recreational payback of any overage from one year to the next. **Sub-Alternative 4a.** Payback regardless of stock status.

### MOTION #15: MOVE ALTERNATIVE 5 FROM AMS TO CONSIDERED BUT REJECTED APPENDIX

#### APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

**Alternative 5.** Allow roll-over of underages of 100% and 50% but not to exceed the ABC.

SUBALT 5A. 100% SUBALT 5B. 50%

### 2.15 ACTION 15: Management Measures for Atlantic Migratory Group King Mackerel

None included in Amendment 18. See the last motion for direction to staff/IPT for a future amendment.

# 2.16. ACTION 16: Specify MSY, MSST, MFMT/OFL, ABC, OY, ACL (TAC), and ACT levels for Atlantic Migratory Group Spanish Mackerel

Directed staff/IPT not to add the SEDAR 17 values based on the SSC's recommendation to not use the values.

## **2.16.3** Allowable Biological Catch (ABC) Control Rule and ABC for Atlantic Migratory Group Spanish Mackerel

IPT recommends changing Alternative 2 to read:

Alternative 2. Adopt the SAFMC SSC recommended ABC control rule and establish ABC as 4.91 million pounds (MP).

MOTION #16: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 2 AS OUR PREFERRED APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

### MOTION #17: MOVE ALTERNATIVES 3-5 TO THE CONSIDERED BUT REJECTED APPENDIX

#### APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

Alternative 3. Establish an ABC Control Rule where ABC equals OFL.

**Alternative 4.** Establish an ABC Control Rule where ABC equals a percentage of OFL.

Alternative 4a. ABC=65%OFL.

**Alternative 4b (Preferred).** ABC=75%OFL.

Alternative 4c. ABC=85%OFL.

**Alternative 5.** Establish an ABC Control Rule where ABC is a percentage of OFL. The percentage is based upon the level of risk of overfishing (P\*).

**Alternative 5a.** ABC=X% of OFL. The X% is based upon P\* equals .20.

**Alternative 5b.** ABC=X% of OFL. The X% is based upon P\* equals .30. **Alternative 5c.** ABC=X% of OFL. The X% is based upon P\* equals .40. **Alternative 5d.** ABC=X% of OFL. The X% is based upon P\* equals .50.

# 2.16.4 Optimum Yield (OY) for Atlantic Migratory Group Spanish Mackerel MOTION #18: ACCEPT THE IPT RECOMMENDATION TO FOLD OY INTO THE ACL ACTION

#### APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

The IPT recommends that OY be folded into the ACL action based on NOAA GC and NMFS RA guidance provided at the September 2010 South Atlantic Council meeting; a similar approach is being taken in the South Atlantic Council's Comprehensive ACL Amendment. This would move the OY alternatives shown below to Appendix F, Alternatives Considered but Eliminated from Detailed Consideration.

2.16.5 Annual Catch Limit (ACL) for Atlantic Migratory Group Spanish Mackerel The IPT recommends adding OY to the alternatives shown below and adding two subalternatives.

MOTION #19: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 2 AS OUR PREFERRED APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

Alternative 2.  $ACL = \frac{OY}{ABC} = ABC = 4.91$  million pounds which is the ABC recommended by the SSC.

### **2.16.6** Annual Catch Target (ACT) for Atlantic Migratory Group Spanish Mackerel

Action 2.16.6a Commercial Sector ACT

MOTION #20: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 1 AS OUR PREFERRED AND MOVE ALTERNATIVE 2 TO CONSIDERED BUT REJECTED APPENDIX APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

**Alternative 1.** Do not specify commercial sector ACTs for Atlantic migratory group Spanish mackerel.

**Alternative 2.** The commercial sector ACT equals the commercial sector ACL.

#### **Action 2.16.6b Recreational Sector ACT**

MOTION #21: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 4 AS OUR PREFERRED APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

**Alternative 4.** The recreational sector ACT equals sector ACL[(1-PSE) or 0.5, whichever is greater].

2.17 ACTION 17: Specify Accountability Measures (AMs) for Atlantic Migratory Group Spanish Mackerel

MOTION #22: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 2 AS OUR PREFERRED AND TRACK KING MACKEREL WORDING TO ADJUST THE BAG LIMIT THE FOLLOWING FISHING YEAR. APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

**Alternative 2.** The commercial AM for this stock is to prohibit harvest, possession, and retention when the quota is PROJECTED TO BE MET met. All purchase and sale is prohibited when the quota is PROJECTED TO BE met.

Implement Accountability Measures (AMs) for the recreational sector for this stock. If the recreational sector ACL is exceeded, the Regional Administrator shall publish a notice taking action. Compare recreational ACL with recreational landings over a range of years. For 2011, use only 2011 landings. For 2012, use the average landings of 2011 and 2012. For 2013 and beyond, use the most recent three-year running average.

Subalternative a: Reduce the length of the following fishing year by the amount necessary to ensure landings do not exceed the recreational sector ACL for the following fishing year.

Subalternative b (**Preferred**): Reduce the bag limit to ensure landings do not exceed the recreational sector ACL for the following fishing year.

Note: Staff was directed to add these subalternatives with b as the preferred. The Committee should be sure the wording above tracks their intent.

# MOTION #23: ADOPT SUBALTERNATIVES 3A AND 4A AS OUR PREFERRED ALTERNATIVES

APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

**Alternative 3.** Commercial payback of any overage.

**Sub-Alternative 3a.** Payback regardless of stock status.

**Sub-Alternative 3b.** Payback only if overfished.

**Alternative 4.** Recreational payback of any overage from one year to the next.

**Sub-Alternative 4a.** Payback regardless of stock status.

Sub-Alternative 4b. Payback only if overfished.

### 2.18 ACTION 18: Management Measures for Atlantic Migratory Group Spanish Mackerel

### MOTION #24: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 5 AS OUR PREFERRED APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

**Alternative 5.** Reduce the individual bag limit from 15 to 10 per person.

## 2.19 ACTION 19: Specify MSY, MSST, MFMT/OFL, ABC, OY, ACL (TAC), Allocations, and ACT levels for Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia

### **2.19.3** Allowable Biological Catch (ABC) Control Rule and ABC for Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia

The Committee directed staff to change the alternatives to indicate "Adopt the SSC Control Rule" and they did not change the preferred.

Alternative 4. Establish an ABC Control Rule where ABC equals a percentage of OFL.

Alternative 4a. ABC=65% OFL. (557,514 pounds)

**Alternative 4b (Preferred).** ABC=75%OFL (643,286 pounds)

Alternative 4c. ABC=85%OFL (729,057 pounds)

MOTION #25: ADD AN ALTERNATIVE TO SET THE ABC = MEAN OF LANDINGS PLUS 1.5 TIMES STANDARD DEVIATION. ASK THE SSC TO EVALUATE THE GULF COUNCIL'S CONTROL RULE FOR ABC/ACL AND ASK WHY THAT APPROACH CAN'T BE USED FOR SPANISH MACKEREL OR COBIA

APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

#### 2.19.4 Optimum Yield (OY) for Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia MOTION #26: ACCEPT THE IPT RECOMMENDATION TO FOLD OY INTO THE ACL ACTIONS FOR ATLANTIC MIGRATORY GROUP COBIA APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

The IPT recommends that OY be folded into the ACL action based on NOAA GC and NMFS RA guidance provided at the September 2010 South Atlantic Council meeting; a similar approach is being taken in the South Atlantic Council's Comprehensive ACL Amendment. This would move the OY alternatives shown below to Appendix F, Alternatives Considered but Eliminated from Detailed Consideration.

#### 2.19.5 Allocations for Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia

**Alternative 1.** No action. Currently there are no allocations for cobia.

**Alternative 2.** Define allocations for Atlantic migratory group cobia based upon landings from the ALS, MRFSS, and headboat databases. The allocation would be based on landings from the years 2007-2009 2006-2008. The allocation would be 8% commercial and 92% recreational. Beginning in 2011, the commercial allocation would be xxxxxx lbs gutted weight and the recreational allocation wouldbe xxxxxx fish (yyyyyyy lbs gutted weight). The commercial and recreational allocation specified for 2011 would remain in effect beyond 2011 until modified.

**Alternative 3 (Preferred).** Define allocations for Atlantic migratory group cobia based upon landings from the ALS, MRFSS, and headboat databases. The allocation would be based on the following formula for each sector:

Sector apportionment = (50% \* average of long catch range (lbs) <u>1986-2009??</u> 2000-2008) + (50% \* average of recent catch trend (lbs) <del>2007-2009??</del> 2006-2008). The allocation would be 8% commercial and 92% recreational. <del>Beginning in 2011, the commercial allocation would be xxxxxx lbs gutted weight and the recreational allocation would be yyyy fish (xxxxx lbs gutted weight). The commercial and recreational allocation specified for 2011 would remain in effect beyond 2011 until modified.</del>

### MOTION #27: MOVE ALTERNATIVE 4 TO THE CONSIDERED BUT REJECTED APPENDIX

#### APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

Alternative 4. Define allocations for Atlantic migratory group cobia based upon landings from the ALS, MRFSS, and headboat databases. The allocation would be based on the following formula for each sector:

Sector apportionment = (50% \* average of long catch range (lbs) 1986(or 1999) 2008) + (50% \* average of recent catch trend (lbs) 2006-2008). The allocation would be xx% commercial, yy% for hire, and zz% private recreational. Beginning

in 2011, the commercial allocation would be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ lbs gutted weight, the forhire allocation would be \_\_\_\_\_\_ fish (\_\_\_\_\_ lbs gutted weight), and the private recreational allocation would be \_\_\_\_\_\_ fish (\_\_\_\_\_ lbs gutted weight). The commercial, for hire, and private recreational allocations specified for 2011 would remain in effect beyond 2011 until modified.

#### 2.19.6 Annual Catch Limit (ACL) for Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia

The IPT recommends adding OY to the alternatives as shown below and adding two new sub-alternatives.

MOTION #28: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 2 AS OUR PREFERRED APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

Alternative 2. ACL = OY = ABC = 643,286 thousand pounds based on the SSC recommendation.

### 2.19.7 Annual Catch Target (ACT) for Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia Action 2.19.7a Commercial Sector ACT

MOTION #29: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 1 AS OUR PREFERRED AND MOVE ALTERNATIVE 2 TO THE CONSIDERED BUT REJECTED APPENDIX APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

**Alternative 1.** Do not specify commercial sector ACTs for Atlantic migratory group cobia.

**Alternative 2.** The commercial sector ACT equals the commercial sector ACL.

#### **Action 2.19.7b Recreational Sector ACT**

MOTION #30: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 4 AS OUR PREFERRED APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

**Alternative 4.** The recreational sector ACT equals sector ACL[(1-PSE) or 0.5, whichever is greater].

### 2.20 ACTION 20. Specify Accountability Measures (AMs) for Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia

## MOTION #31: ADOPT ALTERNATIVES 3, 4A AND 5A AS OUR PREFERRED APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

**Alternative 3.** The commercial AM for this stock is to prohibit harvest, possession, and retention when the quota is PROJECTED TO BE met. All purchase and sale is prohibited when the quota is PROJECTED TO BE met. Implement Accountability Measures (AMs) for the recreational sector for this stock. If the ACL is exceeded, the Regional Administrator shall publish a notice to reduce the length of the following fishing year by the amount necessary to ensure landings do not exceed the sector ACL for the following fishing year. Compare recreational ACL with recreational landings over a range of years. For 2011, use only 2011 landings. For 2012, use the average landings of 2011 and 2012. For 2013 and beyond, use three-year running average.

**Alternative 4.** Commercial payback of any overage.

Sub-Alternative 4a. Payback regardless of stock status.

**Alternative 5.** Recreational payback of any overage from one year to the next.

Sub-Alternative 5a. Payback regardless of stock status.

2.21 ACTION 21: Management Measures for Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia MOTION #32: ADD ALTERNATIVES TO CONSIDER 1 COBIA PER BOAT PER DAY AND AN ALTERNATIVE THAT LOOKS AT A CLOSED SEASON FOR RECREATIONAL FISHERY APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

#### II. OTHER MOTIONS

MOTION #33: APPROVE MACKEREL AMENDMENT 18 FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS AND GIVE EDITORIAL LICENSE TO STAFF TO INCORPORATE CHANGES FROM THE GULF COUNCIL AT THEIR FEBRUARY 2011 MEETING.

APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

MOTION #34: APPROVE MACKEREL AMENDMENT 18 PUBLIC HEARING LOCATIONS AND DATES WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT THEY WILL BE COORIDNATED WITH THE GULF COUNCIL APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

Public hearings would be held from 5-7 pm?

GM	CMP Am 18	SA Dates	CMP Am 18	Spiny	Spiny Lobster
Dates	Gulf Approved	(April	<b>SAFMC Planned</b>	Lobster	Am 10
(April		2011)		Am 10	SAFMC Planned
2011)		DRAFT		Gulf	
DRAFT				Approved	
4/20	Key West, FL	4/20	Key West, FL		Key West, FL
4/19	Marathon, FL	4/19	Marathon, FL	Marathon, FL	Marathon, FL
?	Maderia Beach, FL	4/18	Cape Canaveral, FL		Cape Canaveral, FL
?	Panama City, FL	4/14	Jacksonville, FL		Jacksonville, FL
?	Orange Beach, AL	4/13	Savannah/Pooler, GA		Savannah/Pooler, GA
?	Biloxi, MS	4/12	Charleston, SC		Charleston, SC
?	Grand Isla, LA	4/11	New Bern, NC	_	New Bern, NC
?	South Houston, TX				
?	Port Aranasas, TX				

MOTION #35: APPROVE SCHEDULING A MACKEREL ADVISORY PANEL MEETING DURING MAY IN CHARLESTON PENDING THE EXECUTIVE/FINANCE DELIBERATIONS APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

### MOTION #36: DIRECT STAFF TO: APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

- 1. MAKE THE NECESSARY REVISIONS TO MACKEREL AMENDMENT 18/EA AND PROVIDE THE REVISED DOCUMENT TO THE GULF COUNCIL FOR USE AT THEIR FEBRUARY 7-10, 2011 MEETING.
- 2. MAKE THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR PUBLIC HEARINGS AND COORDINATE WITH THE GULF COUNCIL.
- 3. MAKE THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE MACKEREL ADVISORY PANEL MEETING.
- 4. COORDINATE WITH THE GULF COUNCIL TO SCHEDULE THE JOINT MACKEREL COMMITTEE MEETING DURING THE GULF COUNCIL'S JUNE 6-9. 2011 MEETING IN KEY WEST.
- 5. TARGET FINAL APPROVAL OF MACKEREL AMENDMENT 18/EA FOR THE SAFMC'S JUNE 13-17, 2011 MEETING IN KEY WEST.
- 6. WORK ON AMENDMENT 19 TO HAVE ALTERNATIVES FOR THE COUNCIL TO REVIEW AT JUNE 2011 MEETING.
- 7. PROVIDE MATERIALS FOR THE SAFMC SSC TO REVIEW THE GULF COUNCIL'S SSC'S CONTROL RULE AT THEIR APRIL 2011 MEETING AND WHETHER IT COULD BE USED FOR SPANISH MACKEREL AND COBIA.

# III. Bag Limits Sales for Species in the Coastal Migratory Pelagics FMP The Committee expressed concern about the sale prohibition not being in Amendment 18 and approved the following motion:

MOTION #37: BEGIN WORK ON MACKEREL AMENDMENT 19 TO ADDRESS BAG LIMIT SALES APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

Note: The Amendment # will likely be #21.

#### The Committee provide guidance on the items shown below from the IPT.

Note: The IPT previously recommended that all changes to management measures be considered in a subsequent regulatory action. The Council considered the IPT's recommendation at their September 2010 meeting and indicated that they wanted the IPT to analyze the alternatives shown below. The IPT discussed this and examined the data needed to analyze these alternatives and the enforceability of these alternatives. There is no Coastal Migratory Pelagics (CMP) dealer permit and therefore no requirement that permitted fishermen sell to permitted dealers. There is only one king mackerel commercial permit for both Atlantic and Gulf Migratory Groups and a prohibition on sale is not required to limit catches to the ACL. The IPT is recommending that the issue of prohibiting bag limit/recreational sales be examined in a separate amendment and that the Council consider the following in order to effectively implement the sale prohibition: PURSUE JOINT WITH GULF

A. Cobia commercial permit requirements - just for Atlantic Migratory Group Cobia?

- 1. IF HAVE KING OR SPANISH MACKEREL PERMIT THEN GET COBIA PERMIT
- 2. IF CAN DOCUMENT COBIA SALES WITH STATE TRIP TICKET DATA WITHIN LAST 5 YEARS
- 3. NO LANDINGS REQUIREMENT TO GET COBIA PERMIT
- 4. INCOME REQUIREMENT 25% OF EARNED INCOME OR \$10,000 FROM COMMERCIAL FISHING
- 5. 25% AND \$5,000
- B. Dealer permits for Atlantic CMP (Atlantic KM, SpM & Cobia)
- C. Require permitted fishermen only sell to permitted dealers and permitted dealers only buy from permitted fishermen.
- D. Consider requiring separate Atlantic KM & SpM permits
- E. Council clarify who can sell
  - a. Federal Commercial KM permit holders can sell Atlantic KM
  - b. Federal Commercial SpM permit holders can sell Atlantic SpM
  - c. Federal Commercial Cobia permit holders can sell Atlantic Cobia