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AGENDA

Mackerel Committee Meeting

The King and Prince Hotel
201 Arnold Road
St. Simons, GA

Thursday, March 5, 2015 – 8:30 A.M. to 12:00 Noon

1. Approval of Agenda — Ben Hartig
2. Approval of December 2014 South Atlantic Mackerel Committee minutes – Ben Hartig
3. Status of commercial catches vs. ACLs (**Attachment 1**) – NMFS SERO
4. Status of recreational catches vs. ACLs (**Attachment 2**) – NMFS SERO
5. Status of Amendments under Formal Review – NMFS SERO
 - Amendment 20B (boundaries and transit provisions)
 - South Atlantic CMP Framework Action 2013 (transfer-at-sea for Spanish mackerel and trip limits for king mackerel in the East Coast Florida Subzone)
 - CMP Framework Amendment 1 (Spanish Mackerel ACLs)
 - CMP Framework Amendment 2 (Atlantic Spanish Mackerel trip limits)
6. Report from the Gulf Council meeting (**Attachment 3**) – Kari MacLauchlin/ Zack Bowen
7. Scoping Summary (**Attachment 4**) – Kari MacLauchlin
8. CMP Amendment 26 (King Mackerel ACLs, allocations, stock boundary, sale provisions)
 - a. Decision Document (**Attachment 5**) – Kari MacLauchlin
 - b. Committee Action: Provide direction to staff on content and timing – Ben Hartig

9. Options for Separate Fishery Management Plans for Mackerel
 - a. Overview of Legal Issues – NOAA General Counsel
 - b. Decision Document (**Attachment 6**)– Kari MacLauchlin
 - c. Committee Action: Discuss and take action as necessary; direction to staff – Ben Hartig

10. Other Business – Ben Hartig

11. Adjourn – Ben Hartig

Mackerel Committee

Ben Hartig, Chair
 Anna Beckwith
 Mel Bell
 Zack Bowen
 Mark Brown
 Jack Cox
 Roy Crabtree

Michelle Duval
 Doug Haymans
 Jessica McCawley
 Charlie Phillips
 Robert Beal, ASMFC Representative
 Pres Pate, MAFMC Liaison

Attachments

- Attachment 1:** NMFS SERO Commercial ACL Report (2nd **BB**)
Attachment 2: NMFS SERO Recreational ACL Report (2nd **BB**)
Attachment 3: Gulf Council January 2015 Meeting Report
Attachment 4: Scoping Comments - January/February 2015 (2nd **BB**)
Attachment 5: Amendment 26 Decision Document (2nd **BB**)
Attachment 6: Amendment 28 Decision Document