

AGENDA: MRIP LISTENING SESSION
Southeast Region: March 17, 18, 19, 2008

March 17 (at Courtyard by Marriott)

I. Informal working session with ACCSP Advisors.

March 18 (at SERO, St. Petersburg)

II. Overview and Purpose

- A. Purpose of Listening Sessions: what we'd like to accomplish today. Gordon Colvin (10 min.)
- B. Status of MRIP: Pres Pate (20 min.)
- C. Status of national registry: Gordon Colvin (15 min)
- D. Status of MRIP Communication and Education program: Forbes Darby (15 min.)

III. Review of current recreational data collection programs in the southeast (MRFSS; FHS; RecFIN-SE; head boat survey; TXDPW survey). Include discussion of status and summary of experience to date with Gulf dual frame study: Rob Andrews, Dave Donaldson, Page Campbell (60 min.)

IV. Gulf of Mexico Fishery recreational data needs for (address questions 1-3 below for each principal species or species group). Input needed from Gulf of Mexico Council, SEFSC, SERO, GSMFC, states (3 hrs)

- A. stock assessment
- B. management (including ACL's/AM's)
- C. assessment of social and economic impacts
- D. other

V. Discussion of Regional needs for:

- A. Communication and Education (30 min)
- B. Priorities for next round of MRIP projects (30 min)
- C. An angler (and a for-hire vessel) registry in the region & states (beyond the needs, what are the benefits of a registry, if any) (30 min)

(Possible addition: evening session with Gulf of Mexico stakeholders)

March 19 (at SERO, St. Petersburg)

VI. South Atlantic and Caribbean Fishery recreational data needs for (address questions 1-3 below for each principal species or species group). Input needed from SEFSC, SERO. (note: we will meet separately with these councils) (3 hrs)

- A stock assessment

- B. management (including ACL's/AM's)
- C. assessment of social and economic impacts
- D. other

VII. Follow-ups and continuation of any discussions from the Tuesday session.

Adjourn by noon on March 19

Questions to be addressed:

1. What is the adequacy of the coverage of the current survey? What changes in the geographic, seasonal or other elements of coverage are needed and to serve what purpose?
2. What are the specific needs for recreational survey-based catch and effort data for:
 - a. stock assessment of principal recreationally-fished assessed stocks in the region, and
 - b. fishery management actions for principal recreationally-fished fisheries in the region
3. What changes in survey scope and coverage are needed to produce data that addresses those needs, if any?