



SOUTH ATLANTIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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Preliminary Agenda

The Shores Resort & Spa
2637 South Atlantic Avenue
Daytona Beach Shores, FL 32118

June 10-14, 2024

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From June 4 to 5 PM on June 14, written comments must be submitted electronically through the online public comment form at the link above.

Monday, June 10, 2024

COUNCIL SESSION

COUNCIL SESSION I/Belcher 10:00 am – 12:00 Noon (CLOSED)

- Litigation brief (if needed)
- 1. Approve charge for new For-Hire Reporting Advisory Panel (AP)
- 2. Appointments (existing APs, Citizen Science Projects Advisory Committee, consider additional seats on Shrimp AP, appointments for SEDAR 90 (Red Snapper) and SEDAR 94 (Florida Hogfish))
- 3. Selection of 2023 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year

12:00 noon to 1:30 pm

Lunch

COUNCIL SESSION I/Belcher 1:30 am 5:00 pm (OPEN)

- Approve agenda
 - Approve minutes (March 2024)
 - Status of Joint Commercial Electronic Logbook Amendment – NMFS SERO
1. Reports:
 - a. NOAA Office of Law Enforcement
 - b. US Coast Guard
 - c. Council liaisons
 - d. State agencies
 2. Best Fishing Practices and Citizen Science Update – Council Staff
 3. For Hire Limited Entry Amendment
 - a. Comments on control dates – NMFS SERO
 - b. Overview – Council Staff
 4. Southeast For-Hire Integrated Electronic Reporting (SEFHIER) Program Improvement – Council Staff
 5. Dolphin Management Strategy Evaluation Update – NMFS SEFSC

Tuesday, June 11, 2024

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Shrimp Committee/Thompson 8:30 am – 10:30 am

- Approve agenda
1. AP report – AP Chair
 2. Updates to the Giant Manta Ray and Smalltooth Sawfish Section 7 Consultation – NMFS SERO
 3. Overview of shrimp FMP and current regulations – Council staff
 4. SAFE report – Council Staff
 5. Shrimp Futures presentation – NMFS SEFSC

Habitat and Ecosystem Committee/Murphey 10:30 am – 12:00 Noon

- Approve agenda
 - Approve minutes (December 2023)
1. AP Report – AP Chair
 2. Annual Habitat Report – Council Staff
 3. Coral 10 update – Council Staff
 4. Coral HAPC expansion discussion – Council Staff

12:00 noon to 1:30 pm Lunch

Snapper Grouper Committee/McCawley 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm

- Approve agenda
 - Approve minutes (March 2024)
 - Update on red snapper Exempted Fishing Permits – NMFS SERO
1. Red Snapper Management
 - a. Presentation on red snapper recreational landings in 2022 and 2023, and 2024 recreational season – NMFS SERO
 - b. Red Snapper management options study (Shertzer et al. 2024) presentation – NMFS SEFSC
 - c. Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) recommendations – SSC Chair
 - d. Prioritized list of management options for the Snapper Grouper Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE) – Council Staff
 2. Wreckfish (Amendment 48)
 - a. Overview and public hearing presentation – Council Staff

Wednesday, June 12, 2024

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Snapper Grouper Committee/McCawley 8:30 am – 12:00 noon

3. Gag and Black Grouper Vessel Limit and On-Demand Gear for Black Sea Bass (Regulatory Amendment 36)
 - a. AP recommendations – AP Chair
 - b. Overview – Council Staff
 - c. Approve for public hearings

- d. Overview – Council Staff
- 7. Commercial Fishery Discussion – Council Staff
- 8. Update on research in Spawning Special Management Zones – Council staff

12:00 noon to 1:30 pm

Lunch

Thursday, June 13, 2024

COUNCIL SESSION

COUNCIL SESSION II/Belcher 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm

- Litigation Brief (if needed)
- 1. Staff Report
- 2. Updates:
 - a. Stakeholder engagement meetings
 - b. Mackerel port meetings
- 3. Council Coordination Committee Report
- 4. Offshore Wind presentations
 - a. Special Initiative on Offshore Wind – Kris Oleth, Executive Director
 - b. Responsible Offshore Science Alliance (ROSA) – Dr. Renne Riley, Executive Director
- 5. Topics for Fall 2024 Outreach and Communications AP meeting
- 6. Terms of reference for SEDAR 90 (Red Snapper) and Statement of Work for Black Sea Bass.
- 7. Agency reports
 - a. NMFS Southeast Regional Office Report – NMFS SERO
 - i. Update on status of permits system
 - ii. Update on disaster relief changes
 - iii. Update on protected resources
 - b. NMFS Southeast Fisheries Science Center Report – NMFS SEFSC
 - i. Headboat program annual report
 - c. NMFS Highly Migratory Species – NMFS HMS
 - i. Scoping initiative for gear considerations in Atlantic highly migratory species fisheries

Friday, June 14, 2024

COUNCIL SESSION

COUNCIL SESSION II/Belcher 8:30 am – 12:00 noon

- Committee reports
- 8. Council workplan
- 9. Upcoming meetings

Other business

Adjourn