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AGENDA

Protected Resources Committee

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

Tuesday, March 3, 2015 – 9:30 A.M. to 10:30 A.M.

1. Approval of Agenda – Wilson Laney
2. Approval of December 2014 Protected Resources Committee minutes – Wilson Laney
3. South Atlantic Protected Resource-Related Updates (**Attachment 1**) – SERO Protected Resources Division Staff
4. Advanced Notice of Rulemaking and Request of Information for Corals
 - A. Overview of Notice (**Attachment 2a**) – Council staff
 - B. Review of Draft Council Comment (**Attachment 2b**) – Council staff
 - C. Committee discussion and action as necessary – Wilson Laney
5. ESA/MSA Integration Agreement
 - A. Overview of NMFS Guidance on Agreements (**Attachments 3a/3b**) – Kari MacLauchlin
 - B. Draft List of Items for SAFMC/SERO PRD Agreement (**Attachment 3c**) – Kari MacLauchlin
 - C. Committee discussion and action as necessary – Wilson Laney
6. Proposed Modification to North Atlantic Right Whale Critical Habitat
 - A. Overview (**Attachments 4a/4b**) – SERO PRD Protected Resources Division Staff
 - B. Committee discussion and action as necessary – Wilson Laney
7. Other Business – Wilson Laney
8. Adjourn – Wilson Laney

Protected Resources Committee

Wilson Laney, Chair
Anna Beckwith
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Jessica McCawley

Attachments

Attachment 1: Protected Resources Updates for the South Atlantic (**2nd BB**)

Attachment 2a: Advanced Notice of Rulemaking and Request of Information for Corals

Attachment 2b: Draft SAFMC Comment for Rulemaking and Request of Information for Corals (**2nd BB**)

Attachment 3a: National Marine Fisheries Service Policy Directive 01-117: Integration of Endangered Species Act Section 7 with Magnuson-Stevens Act Processes (January 19, 2015)

Attachment 3b: Final Report ESA Working Group

Attachment 3c: Draft List of Items for Integration Agreement for SAFMC/SERO PRD (**2nd BB**)

Attachment 4a: Proposed Rule to Modify North Atlantic Right Whale Critical Habitat (**available at meeting**)

Attachment 4b: Presentation on Proposed Right Whale Critical Habitat (**available at meeting**)