

**FINAL SUMMARY REPORT
FROM THE
SHRIMP COMMITTEE MEETING
Charleston, SC
September 10th, 2012**

The Shrimp Committee convened on Monday, September 10th, 2012 in Charleston, SC. The Committee received an overview of the public hearing comments on Shrimp Amendment 9. Luiz Barbieri, Chair of the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) reviewed recommendations for Shrimp Amendment 9 from the August 1st, 2012 SSC meeting. The Committee further discussed the actions and alternatives in Shrimp Amendment 9, refined their selection of preferred alternatives, and approved the document for formal Secretarial review.

The Shrimp Committee made the following motions in discussion of the Shrimp Amendment 9 Decision Document:

MOTION #1: ACCEPT IPT RECOMMENDATION TO REWORD ACTION 1.
APPROVED BY COMMITTEE
APPROVED BY COUNCIL

New language for Action 1: Specify criteria that triggers a states' ability to request a concurrent prohibition on the harvest of South Atlantic penaeid stocks in the adjacent EEZ during severe winter weather

MOTION #2: ACCEPT NEW ALTERNATIVE 5 (ACTION 1) AS A PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE.

APPROVED BY COMMITTEE
APPROVED BY COUNCIL

New Alternative 5: States may request a concurrent closure of the EEZ adjacent to their closed state waters following severe winter weather upon providing information that demonstrates an 80% or greater reduction in the population of overwintering white shrimp, or, a state may request a concurrent closure upon providing information that demonstrates an exceeded threshold for water temperature. Water temperature must be 9°C (48°F) or below for at least one week.

MOTION #3: ACCEPT IPT RECOMMENDATION TO REWORD THE LANGUAGE OF ACTION 2.

APPROVED BY COMMITTEE
APPROVED BY COUNCIL

New language for Action 2: Modify the process for a state to request a concurrent prohibition on the harvest of South Atlantic penaeid stocks in the adjacent EEZ during severe winter weather

MOTION #4: MOVE ALTERNATIVE 4 (ACTION 3) AS A PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE
APPROVED BY COMMITTEE
APPROVED BY COUNCIL

Alternative 4. Establish a proxy for B_{MSY} for pink shrimp using the lowest CPUE value from SEAMAP-SA during the 1990-2011 time period (0.089 individuals per hectare).

MOTION #5: APPROVE SHRIMP AMENDMENT 9 FOR FORMAL SECRETARIAL REVIEW

APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

APPROVED BY COUNCIL

MOTION #6: DEEM CODIFIED TEXT FOR SHRIMP AMENDMENT 9 AS NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE

APPROVED BY COUNCIL

MOTION #7: GIVE STAFF EDITORIAL LICENSE AND CHAIRMAN AUTHORITY TO DEEM NECESSARY CHANGES TO SHRIMP AMENDMENT 9

APPROVED BY COUNCIL

Timing and Task

MOTION #8: ADOPT THE TIMING AND TASK ITEMS

APPROVED BY COUNCIL

1. Make the necessary revisions to Shrimp Amendment 9/EA and submit a finalized Amendment to NMFS for Secretarial review.
2. The SSC will discuss the Stock Synthesis Assessment Model (SS3) used to assess Gulf penaeid stocks during their October 23-25th, 2012 meeting. The SSC will discuss the applicability for pursuing a similar approach for South Atlantic penaeid stocks.