For the reasons set out in the preamble, 50 CFR part 622 is proposed to be amended as follows:

PART 622--FISHERIES OF THE CARIBBEAN, GULF OF MEXICO, AND SOUTH ATLANTIC

1. The authority citation for part 622 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.

2. In § 622.224, paragraphs (b), (c)(1)(i), (c)(1)(iii), (c)(3)(i) and the introductory text of paragraphs (c)(3)(ii), (c)(3)(iii), and (c)(3)(iv) are revised to read as follows:

§ 622.224 Area closures to protect South Atlantic corals**.**

(b) Oculina Bank HAPC--(1) HAPC is bounded by rhumb lines connecting, in order, the following points:

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| Point | North lat. | West long. |
| Origin | 29°43'29.82" | 80°14'55.27" |
| 1 | 29°43'30" | 80°15'48.24" |
| 2 | 29°34'51" | 80°15'00.78" |
| 3 | 29°34'07.38" | 80°15'51.66" |
| 4 | 29°29'24.9" | 80°15'15.78" |
| 5 | 29°09'32.52" | 80°12'17.22" |
| 6 | 29°04'45.18" | 80°10'12" |
| 7 | 28°56'01.86" | 80°07'53.64" |
| 8 | 28°52'44.4" | 80°07'53.04" |
| 9 | 28°47'28.56" | 80°07'07.44" |
| 10 | 28°46'13.68" | 80°07'15.9" |
| 11 | 28°41'16.32" | 80°05'58.74" |
| 12 | 28°35'05.76" | 80°05'14.28" |
| 13 | 28°33'50.94" | 80°05'24.6" |
| 14 | 28°30'51.36" | 80°04'23.94" |
| 15 | 28°30'00" | 80°03'57.3" |
| 16 | 28°30' | 80°03' |
| 17 | 28°16' | 80°03' |
| 18 | 28°04'30" | 80°01'10.08" |
| 19 | 28°04'30" | 80°00' |
| 20 | 27°30' | 80°00' |
| 21 | 27°30' | 79°54'0" -Point corresponding with intersection with the 100-fathom (183-m) contour, as shown on the latest edition of NOAA chart 11460 |
| Note: Line between point 21 and point 22 follows the 100-fathom (183-m) contour, as shown on the latest edition of NOAA chart 11460 | | |
| 22 | 28°30'00" | 79°56'56"- Point corresponding with intersection with the 100-fathom (183-m) contour, as shown on the latest edition of NOAA chart 11460 |
| 23 | 28°30'00" | 80°00'46.02" |
| 24 | 28°46'00.84" | 80°03'28.5" |
| 25 | 28°48'37.14" | 80°03'56.76" |
| 26 | 28°53'18.36" | 80°04'48.84" |
| 27 | 29°11'19.62" | 80°08'36.9" |
| 28 | 29°17'33.96" | 80°10'06.9" |
| 29 | 29°23'35.34" | 80°11'30.06" |
| 30 | 29°30'15.72" | 80°12'38.88" |
| 31 | 29°35'55.86" | 80°13'41.04" |
| Origin | 29°43'29" | 80°14'55.27" |

In the Oculina Bank HAPC, no person may:

(i) Use a bottom longline, bottom trawl, dredge, pot, or trap.

(ii) If aboard a fishing vessel, anchor, use an anchor and chain, or use a grapple and chain.

(iii) Fish for rock shrimp in the area on board a fishing vessel. A vessel with a valid commercial vessel permit for rock shrimp that has onboard rock shrimp harvested in an open area of the EEZ may transit through the HAPC, if fishing gear is appropriately stowed. For the purpose of this paragraph, transit means direct and non-stop continuous course through the area, maintaining a minimum speed of five knots and a VMS minimum ping rate of 1 ping per 5 minutes; fishing gear appropriately stowed means that doors and nets are out of the water.

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(i) Cape Lookout Lophelia Banks CHAPC is bounded by rhumb lines connecting, in order, the following points:

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| Point | North lat. | West long. |
| Origin | 34°24'36.996" | 75°45'10.998" |
| 1 | 34°23'28.998" | 75°43'58.002" |
| 2 | 34°27'00" | 75°41'45" |
| 3 | 34°27'54" | 75°42'45" |
| Origin | 34°24'36.996" | 75°45'10.998" |

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(iii) Stetson Reefs, Savannah and East Florida Lithotherms, and Miami Terrace (Stetson-Miami Terrace) CHAPC is bounded by--

(A) Rhumb lines connecting, in order, the following points:

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| Point | North lat. | West long. |
| Origin | at outer boundary of EEZ | 79°00'00" |
| 1 | 31°23'37" | 79°00'00" |
| 2 | 31°23'37" | 77°16'21" |
| 3 | 32°38'37" | 77°16'21" |
| 4 | 32°38'21" | 77°34'06" |
| 5 | 32°35'24" | 77°37'54" |
| 6 | 32°32'18" | 77°40'26" |
| 7 | 32°28'42" | 77°44'10" |
| 8 | 32°25'51" | 77°47'43" |
| 9 | 32°22'40" | 77°52'05" |
| 10 | 32°20'58" | 77°56'29" |
| 11 | 32°20'30" | 77°57'50" |
| 12 | 32°19'53" | 78°00'49" |
| 13 | 32°18'44" | 78°04'35" |
| 14 | 32°17'35" | 78°07'48" |
| 15 | 32°17'15" | 78°10'41" |
| 16 | 32°15'50" | 78°14'09" |
| 17 | 32°15'20" | 78°15'25" |
| 18 | 32°12'15" | 78°16'37" |
| 19 | 32°10'26" | 78°18'09" |
| 20 | 32°04'42" | 78°21'27" |
| 21 | 32°03'41" | 78°24'07" |
| 22 | 32°04'58" | 78°29'19" |
| 23 | 32°06'59" | 78°30'48" |
| 24 | 32°09'27" | 78°31'31" |
| 25 | 32°11'23" | 78°32'47" |
| 26 | 32°13'09" | 78°34'04" |
| 27 | 32°14'08" | 78°34'36" |
| 28 | 32°12'48" | 78°36'34" |
| 29 | 32°13'07" | 78°39'07" |
| 30 | 32°14'17" | 78°40'01" |
| 31 | 32°16'20" | 78°40'18" |
| 32 | 32°16'33" | 78°42'32" |
| 33 | 32°14'26" | 78°43'23" |
| 34 | 32°11'14" | 78°45'42" |
| 35 | 32°10'19" | 78°49'08" |
| 36 | 32°09'42" | 78°52'54" |
| 37 | 32°08'15" | 78°56'11" |
| 38 | 32°05'00" | 79°00'30" |
| 39 | 32°01'54" | 79°02'49" |
| 40 | 31°58'40" | 79°04'51" |
| 41 | 31°56'32" | 79°06'48" |
| 42 | 31°53'27" | 79°09'18" |
| 43 | 31°50'56" | 79°11'29" |
| 44 | 31°49'07" | 79°13'35" |
| 45 | 31°47'56" | 79°16'08" |
| 46 | 31°47'11" | 79°16'30" |
| 47 | 31°46'29" | 79°16'25" |
| 48 | 31°44'31" | 79°17'24" |
| 49 | 31°43'20" | 79°18'27" |
| 50 | 31°42'26" | 79°20'41" |
| 51 | 31°41'09" | 79°22'26" |
| 52 | 31°39'36" | 79°23'59" |
| 53 | 31°37'54" | 79°25'29" |
| 54 | 31°35'57" | 79°27'14" |
| 55 | 31°34'14" | 79°28'24" |
| 56 | 31°31'08" | 79°29'59" |
| 57 | 31°30'26" | 79°29'52" |
| 58 | 31°29'11" | 79°30'11" |
| 59 | 31°27'58" | 79°31'41" |
| 60 | 31°27'06" | 79°32'08" |
| 61 | 31°26'22" | 79°32'48" |
| 62 | 31°24'21" | 79°33'51" |
| 63 | 31°22'53" | 79°34'41" |
| 64 | 31°21'03" | 79°36'01" |
| 65 | 31°20'00" | 79°37'12" |
| 66 | 31°18'34" | 79°38'15" |
| 67 | 31°16'49" | 79°38'36" |
| 68 | 31°13'06" | 79°38'19" |
| 70 | 31°11'04" | 79°38'39" |
| 70 | 31°09'28" | 79°39'09" |
| 71 | 31°07'44" | 79°40'21" |
| 72 | 31°05'53" | 79°41'27" |
| 73 | 31°04'40" | 79°42'09" |
| 74 | 31°02'58" | 79°42'28" |
| 75 | 31°01'03" | 79°42'40" |
| 76 | 30°59'50" | 79°42'43" |
| 77 | 30°58'27" | 79°42'43" |
| 78 | 30°57'15" | 79°42'50" |
| 79 | 30°56'09" | 79°43'28" |
| 80 | 30°54'49" | 79°44'53" |
| 81 | 30°53'44" | 79°46'24" |
| 82 | 30°52'47" | 79°47'40" |
| 83 | 30°51'45" | 79°48'16" |
| 84 | 30°48'36" | 79°49'02" |
| 85 | 30°45'24" | 79°49'55" |
| 86 | 30°41'36" | 79°51'31" |
| 87 | 30°38'38" | 79°52'23" |
| 88 | 30°37'00" | 79°52'37.2" |
| 89 | 30°37'00" | 80°05'00" |
| 90 | 30°34'6.42" | 80°05'54.96" |
| 91 | 30°26'59.94" | 80°07'41.22" |
| 92 | 30°23'53.28" | 80°08'8.58" |
| 93 | 30°19'22.86" | 80°09'22.56" |
| 94 | 30°13'17.58" | 80°11'15.24" |
| 95 | 30°07'55.68" | 80°12'19.62" |
| 96 | 30°00'00" | 80°13'00" |
| 97 | 30°00'9" | 80°09'30" |
| 98 | 30°03'00" | 80°09'30" |
| 99 | 30°03'00" | 80°06'00" |
| 100 | 30°04'00" | 80°02'45.6" |
| 101 | 29°59'16" | 80°04'11" |
| 102 | 29°49'12" | 80°05'44" |
| 103 | 29°43'59" | 80°06'24" |
| 104 | 29°38'37" | 80°06'53" |
| 105 | 29°36'54" | 80°07'18" |
| 106 | 29°31'59" | 80°07'32" |
| 107 | 29°29'14" | 80°07'18" |
| 108 | 29°21'48" | 80°05'01" |
| 109 | 29°20'25" | 80°04'29" |
| 110 | 29°08'00" | 79°59'43" |
| 111 | 29°06'56" | 79°59'07" |
| 112 | 29°05'59" | 79°58'44" |
| 113 | 29°03'34" | 79°57'37" |
| 114 | 29°02'11" | 79°56'59" |
| 115 | 29°00'00" | 79°55'32" |
| 116 | 28°56'55" | 79°54'22" |
| 117 | 28°55'00" | 79°53'31" |
| 118 | 28°53'35" | 79°52'51" |
| 119 | 28°51'47" | 79°52'07" |
| 120 | 28°50'25" | 79°51'27" |
| 121 | 28°49'53" | 79°51'20" |
| 122 | 28°49'01" | 79°51'20" |
| 123 | 28°48'19" | 79°51'10" |
| 124 | 28°47'13" | 79°50'59" |
| 125 | 28°43'30" | 79°50'36" |
| 126 | 28°41'05" | 79°50'04" |
| 127 | 28°40'27" | 79°50'07" |
| 128 | 28°39'50" | 79°49'56" |
| 129 | 28°39'04" | 79°49'58" |
| 130 | 28°36'43" | 79°49'35" |
| 131 | 28°35'01" | 79°49'24" |
| 132 | 28°30'37" | 79°48'35" |
| 133 | 28°14'00" | 79°46'20" |
| 134 | 28°11'41" | 79°46'12" |
| 135 | 28°08'02" | 79°45'45" |
| 136 | 28°01'20" | 79°45'20" |
| 137 | 27°58'13" | 79°44'51" |
| 138 | 27°56'23" | 79°44'53" |
| 139 | 27°49'40" | 79°44'25" |
| 140 | 27°46'27" | 79°44'22" |
| 141 | 27°42'00" | 79°44'33" |
| 142 | 27°36'08" | 79°44'58" |
| 143 | 27°30'00" | 79°45'29" |
| 144 | 27°29'04" | 79°45'47" |
| 145 | 27°27'05" | 79°45'54" |
| 146 | 27°25'47" | 79°45'57" |
| 147 | 27°19'46" | 79°45'14" |
| 148 | 27°17'54" | 79°45'12" |
| 149 | 27°12'28" | 79°45'00" |
| 150 | 27°07'45" | 79°46'07" |
| 151 | 27°04'47" | 79°46'29" |
| 152 | 27°00'43" | 79°46'39" |
| 153 | 26°58'43" | 79°46'28" |
| 154 | 26°57'06" | 79°46'32" |
| 155 | 26°49'58" | 79°46'54" |
| 156 | 26°48'58" | 79°46'56" |
| 157 | 26°47'01" | 79°47'09" |
| 158 | 26°46'04" | 79°47'09" |
| 159 | 26°35'09" | 79°48'01" |
| 160 | 26°33'37" | 79°48'21" |
| 161 | 26°27'56" | 79°49'09" |
| 162 | 26°25'55" | 79°49'30" |
| 163 | 26°21'05" | 79°50'03" |
| 164 | 26°20'30" | 79°50'20" |
| 165 | 26°18'56" | 79°50'17" |
| 166 | 26°16'19" | 79°54'06" |
| 167 | 26°13'48" | 79°54'48" |
| 168 | 26°12'19" | 79°55'37" |
| 169 | 26°10'57" | 79°57'05" |
| 170 | 26°09'17" | 79°58'45" |
| 171 | 26°07'11" | 80°00'22" |
| 172 | 26°06'12" | 80°00'33" |
| 173 | 26°03'26" | 80°01'02" |
| 174 | 26°00'35" | 80°01'13" |
| 175 | 25°49'10" | 80°00'38" |
| 176 | 25°48'30" | 80°00'23" |
| 177 | 25°46'42" | 79°59'14" |
| 178 | 25°27'28" | 80°02'26" |
| 179 | 25°24'06" | 80°01'44" |
| 180 | 25°21'04" | 80°01'27" |
| 181 | 25°21'04" | at outer boundary of EEZ |

(B) The outer boundary of the EEZ in a northerly direction from Point 181 to the Origin.

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(i) Shrimp access area 1 is bounded by rhumb lines connecting, in order, the following points:

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| Point | North lat. | West long. |
| 1 | 30°06'30" | 80°02'2.4" |
| 2 | 30°06'30" | 80°05'39.6" |
| 3 | 30°03'00" | 80°09'30" |
| 4 | 30°03'00" | 80°06'00" |
| 5 | 30°04'00" | 80°02'45.6" |
| 6 | 29°59'16" | 80°04'11" |
| 7 | 29°49'12" | 80°05'44" |
| 8 | 29°43'59" | 80°06'24" |
| 9 | 29°38'37" | 80°06'53" |
| 10 | 29°36'54" | 80°07'18" |
| 11 | 29°31'59" | 80°07'32" |
| 12 | 29°29'14" | 80°07'18" |
| 13 | 29°21'48" | 80°05'01" |
| 14 | 29°20'25" | 80°04'29" |
| 15 | 29°20'25" | 80°03'11" |
| 16 | 29°21'48" | 80°03'52" |
| 17 | 29°29'14" | 80°06'08" |
| 18 | 29°31'59" | 80°06'23" |
| 19 | 29°36'54" | 80°06'00" |
| 20 | 29°38'37" | 80°05'43" |
| 21 | 29°43'59" | 80°05'14" |
| 22 | 29°49'12" | 80°04'35" |
| 23 | 29°59'16" | 80°03'01" |
| 24 | 30°06'30" | 80°00'53" |

(ii) Shrimp access area 2 is bounded by rhumb lines connecting, in order, the following points:

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(iii) Shrimp access area 3 is bounded by rhumb lines connecting, in order, the following points:

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(iv) Shrimp access area 4 is bounded by rhumb lines connecting, in order, the following points:

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