<u>FINAL</u>
SUMMARY REPORT
SEDAR COMMITTEE
SOUTH ATLANTIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
Kitty Hawk, NC
December 6, 2018

The Committee approved minutes from the September 2018 meeting and the agenda for this meeting.

SEDAR APPOINTMENTS
The Committee met during closed session to make appointments to the Tilefish assessment and the Scamp Stock ID process.

SSC REPORT
SSC Chair Dr. George Sedberry briefed the Committee on the SSC's recommendations on SEDAR topics.

SEDAR PROJECT APPROVALS
The Committee reviewed schedules and terms of reference for Snowy Grouper, Tilefish, and Scamp assessment projects. Revised terms of reference were provided for Scamp that included recommendations of the joint SAFMC-GMFMC SSC review group.

Assessment Projects update
The Committee was provided an overview of ongoing assessment projects. Topics and updates raised during discussion included the following

- Delays in meeting data delivery deadlines for commercial and recreational catch information will result in delays to the Greater Amberjack and Red Porgy stock assessments. Assuming the data are provided soon, the assessments should still be completed for SSC review in October 2019, and 2020 projects will not be affected.
- The Scamp ageing workshop will be delayed due to hurricane impacts. The Council raised concerns with the potential lack of age data for consideration in the stock ID process. Staff will monitor the issue and provide an update at the next meeting.
- Budgets cuts in the SEFSC support of the SEFIS and thus MARMAP program will reduce availability of updated life history information for future assessments and may impact assessment schedules.

SEDAR Steering Committee
The Committee was informed that the SEDAR Steering Committee would meet May 16-17, 2019. The Committee supported the Scopes of Work for the 2020 assessments of Spanish Mackerel and Gag. The SSC recommendation to conduct the next Red Snapper assessment as an operational rather than research track was discussed in detail. The Council stated that, given public perception and concerns with the existing assessment, it was important to fully and thoroughly evaluate the data and assessment approach applied to Red Snapper. Therefore, the Council reiterated its request that the next Red Snapper assessment be conducted through the Research Track process.

MOTIONS

MOTION #1. MOVE TO APPOINT THOSE LISTED IN TABLE 1 TO THE SEDAR 66 TILEFISH ASSESSMENT.
APPROVED BY COMMITTEE
APPROVED BY COUNCIL

MOTION #2. MOVE TO APPOINT THOSE LISTED IN TABLE 2 TO THE SEDAR 68 SCAMP STOCK ID PROCESS.
APPROVED BY COMMITTEE
APPROVED BY COUNCIL

MOTION #3. MOVE TO APPOINT STEVE POLAND TO SEDAR 66 AND TIM GRINER TO THE SEDAR 68 STOCK ID PROCESS.
APPROVED BY COMMITTEE
APPROVED BY COUNCIL

MOTION #4. MOVE TO APPOINT ALEXI SHAROV TO REPLACE MARCEL REICHERT ON THE SEDAR 58 DATA WORKSHOP FOR ATLANTIC COBIA.
APPROVED BY COMMITTEE
APPROVED BY COUNCIL

MOTION #5. MOVE TO APPROVE THE TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE SEDAR SNOWY GROUPER UPDATE.
APPROVED BY COMMITTEE
APPROVED BY COUNCIL

MOTION #6. MOVE TO APPROVE THE TERMS OF REFERENCE AND SCHEDULE FOR THE SEDAR 66 TILEFISH ASSESSMENT.
APPROVED BY COMMITTEE
APPROVED BY COUNCIL

MOTION #7. MOVE TO APPROVE THE TERMS OF REFERENCE AND SCHEDULE FOR THE SEDAR 68 SCAMP ASSESSMENT.
APPROVED BY COMMITTEE
APPROVED BY COUNCIL

Table 1. SEDAR 66 (Tilefish) SAFMC Appointments

PANELISTS	
SSC	Luiz Barbieri
	Genny Nesslage
	Churchill Grimes
ACCSP	Julie DeFilippi-Simpson
MARMAP	Kevin Spanik
	Kevin Kolmos
	Wally Bubley
NC DMF	Alan Bianchi
OBSERVERS & DATA PROVIDERS	
Snapper Grouper AP	Vincent Bonura
	Jim Freeman
	Rusty Hudson
	Andy Piland
SAFMC Staff	Mike Errigo
Data Providers	Steve Brown Julie Califf Amy Duke/Eric Hiltz

Table 2. Scamp Stock ID SAFMC Appointments

PANELISTS	
SSC	George Sedberry
SCDNR	Tanya Darden
	Joey Ballenger
	Dawn Glascow
NC DMF	Chris Wilson
	McLean Seward
FL FWCC	Kevin Thompson
	Elizabeth Wallace
OBSERVERS	
Snapper Grouper AP	Deidra Jeffcoat
	Randy McKinley
	Jimmy Hull
SAFMC Staff	Mike Errigo