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SAFMC SEDAR Committee

Thursday, March 4, 2021 Webinar

AGENDA (PARTIALLY CLOSED SESSION)

Thursday, March 4, 2021 8:30 am - 10:30 am (Times Subject to Change)

Agenda Approval

Minutes Approval

- 1. SEDAR 79 (Mutton Snapper) appointments (Closed Session)
- 2. Approval of Terms of Reference for SEDAR 79 (*Attachment 1*)
- 3. SEDAR Updates
 - i. Update on SEDAR Projects (*Attachment 2*)
 - ii. Update on SEDAR 79 Schedule (Attachment 3)
 - iii. Update on SEDAR 76 Schedule (Attachment 4)

Other Business

Adjourn

Committee Members

Mel Bell, Chair Steve Poland, Vice Chair Robert Beal Carolyn Belcher Kyle Christiansen Tim Griner Kerry Marhefka Andy Strelcheck

Attachments

Attachment 1: Terms of Reference for SEDAR 79 Mutton Snapper
Attachment 2: SEDAR Projects Update
Attachment 3: SEDAR 79 Mutton Snapper Schedule
Attachment 4: SEDAR 76 Black Sea Bass Revised Schedule

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OVERVIEW

Agenda Approval

Minutes Approval: September 2020

1. Approval of Terms of Reference for SEDAR 79 Mutton Snapper (*Attachment 1*) Description: Council staff will review the terms of reference (ToRs) for SEDAR 79 Mutton Snapper. SEDAR 79 is a benchmark stock assessment that will be conducted by the Florida Fish and Wildlife Research Institute. The ToRs have been reviewed by the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (GMFMC) along with Scientific and Statistical Committees for the GMFMC and SAFMC.

Required Committee Action: Approve terms of reference for SEDAR 79.

2. SEDAR Updates (Attachments 2-4)

Description: Staff will provide an update on the completed, ongoing, and future SEDAR Projects and will provide an update on the schedules for SEDAR 79 (Mutton Snapper) and SEDAR 76 (Black Sea Bass). SEDAR 79 is a benchmark assessment that is scheduled to have data scoping begin in August 2021. SEDAR 76 is an operational assessment and the scheduled was delayed due to impacts caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. Data scoping for SEDAR 76 is scheduled to start in May 2022.

Required Committee Action: None.

Other Business

Adjourn