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OVERVIEW

SEDAR COMMITTEE MEETING

Renaissance Orlando Airport
Orlando, FL

Attachment file list

Attachment number	PDF File Name	Document Title
1	A1_SEDARSteerMay08Summary1	SEDAR Steering Committee Minutes May 2008 DRAFT
2	A2_SEDARScheduleMay2008	SEDAR Schedule May 2008
3	A3_SEDAR18TORs	SEDAR 18 Draft Terms of Reference
4	A4_SEDAR18Schedule	SEDAR 18 Draft Schedule
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6	A6_SEDAR19TORs	SEDAR 19 Draft Terms of Reference
7	A7_SEDAR19Schedule	SEDAR 19 Draft Schedule
8	A8_SEDAR19Participants	SEDAR 19 Draft Participants

1) Approval of Agenda

Required Action: Approve the agenda

2) Approval of Minutes

Required Action: Approve minutes of December 2007

3) Actions from SEDAR Steering Committee

The SEDAR Steering Committee met May 5, 2008 to discuss assessment scheduling and procedural issues. Discussion and recommendations are summarized in **Attachment 1**. Please note that Attachment 1 is a draft meeting summary; a final version should be available by the meeting date. The Steering Committee recommended changes in scheduled assessment updates for the Gulf of Mexico Council for 2009 (**Attachment 2**).

The Committee will meet via conference call on June 10 to discuss assessment updates for 2009. Results of the call will be provided during this meeting.

REQUIRED ACTION: None.

4) **SEDAR 18 Planning**

SEDAR 18 will assess South Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico red drum. These assessments will be conducted in cooperation with the Atlantic States (ASMFC) and Gulf States (GSMFC) Marine Fisheries Commissions. The ASMFC red drum technical committee will provide analytical lead for Atlantic red drum. SEFSC will provide analytical lead for Gulf of Mexico red drum.

This is the first SEDAR assessment to be conducted cooperatively with the interstate commissions so some administrative adjustments may be required. For example, the Council may wish to defer final schedule and terms of reference approval to the Commission, and many key participants will likely be appointed by the ASMFC through their technical committee. The project schedule presented here was developed in cooperation with GSMFC & ASMFC staff and the ASMFC red drum technical committee. The participants list covers a wide range of possible participants. The Council may choose to appoint members of the SSC, AP, and Council to participate in this process, or it may choose to defer such decisions to the ASMFC.

The Committee is asked to review and approve the terms of reference (Attachment 3) and schedule (Attachment 4) and provide an estimate of council-appointed participants for SEDAR 18 workshops (Attachment 5).

SSC Comments on these items will be provided at the meeting.

REQUIRED ACTION: Approve TORs, and schedule; provide participant estimate.

5) **SEDAR 19 Planning**

SEDAR 19 will assess South Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico hogfish and South Atlantic white grunt. Analytical lead for hogfish will be provided by Florida FWRI, lead for white grunt will be provided by the SEFSC Beaufort laboratory.

The Committee is asked to review and approve the terms of reference (Attachment 6) and schedule (Attachment 7) and provide an estimate of council-appointed participants for SEDAR 19 workshops (Attachment 8).

SSC Comments on these items will be provided at the meeting.

REQUIRED ACTION: Approve TORs, and schedule; provide participant estimate.

6) **Recommendations for Fall 2008 SEDAR Steering Committee**

The next regular SEDAR Steering Committee meeting will be Fall 2008. The date will be selected on the June 10 2008 conference call.

The Steering Committee will consider standardizing contents of the SEDAR assessment summary report. Staff from each Council is reviewing past summary reports, reports from assessment panels prior to SEDAR, and reports from other assessment processes such as the Northeast SARC. This committee should provide guidance, and identify any outputs that are considered especially useful and informative.

The Steering Committee is interested in ways of streamlining and improving the efficiency of the overall SEDAR process to increase assessment productivity. Deliberations are expected to extend over the next several steering committee meetings. This Committee is asked to provide any guidance or suggestions that will increase productivity.

REQUIRED ACTION: Develop recommendations for Steering Committee

7) **Other Business**

8) **Adjourn**