

**SUMMARY REPORT  
FROM THE SAFMC SEDAR COMMITTEE  
Charleston, SC  
September 13, 2011**

The SAFMC SEDAR Committee met September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at Charleston, SC. The Committee discussed the following items:

1. SEDAR Activities Update

The Committee was updated on progress on SEDAR 25, South Atlantic black sea bass and tilefish.

2. SEDAR Process Update

John Carmichael gave a presentation on SEDAR procedural changes implemented over the last several years.

3. SEFSC Data Program Update

Dr. Steve Turner of the Southeast Fisheries Science Center gave a presentation on data program improvements at the Center. This presentation was given on the morning of the 14<sup>th</sup>.

4. Incorporating Observer Comments

The Committee endorsed the proposed process for incorporating the comments and observations of SAFMC-appointed observers to SEDAR workshops.

5. Review SAFE Report Framework

The Committee reviewed a draft SAFE report for Snapper-Grouper and provided comments to staff. Report content and approach was acceptable, and staff was requested to keep such reports up-to-date in the future.

6. SEDAR Steering Committee Recommendations

The Committee prioritized stocks for assessment in 2013. Members were advised to forward any procedural concerns or suggestions to the Steering Committee representatives prior to the next meeting, which will be held October 13, 2011.

Prioritization of SAFMC assessments in 2013:

1) Red Snapper Benchmark

NOTE: request that SEFSC review independent monitoring program data on red snapper and report to the Committee, in December 2011 and March 2012, on

program findings and the prognosis for developing an informative assessment in 2013.

2) Blueline Tilefish Benchmark

3) Red Grouper Update or Standard

NOTE: Request review of red grouper data and bio-sample progress by SEFSC, and consideration of update or standard assessment by SEFSC and SSC.

4) Snowy Grouper Standard

5) Gag Grouper Standard

Alternates, if one of the above should prove infeasible or an additional assessment slot become available:

gray trigger, white grunt, scamp

## 7. SEDAR 28 Approvals

The Committee approved the schedule and Terms of Reference for SEDAR 28. The following bullet was added to DW TOR 4 for both Spanish mackerel and cobia:

"provide a single table showing landings by sector in whole weight, using the methods developed by SEFSC for ACL tracking to estimate recreational landings by weight"

The Committee met in closed session to make appointments to SEDAR 28.

## MOTIONS

Move to accept the recommended process for incorporating SAFMC appointed observer comments. Approved

Closed session motions:

Move to appoint the listed state and ACCSP representatives to the SEDAR 28 DW.  
Approved

SC DNR:

Marcel Reichert, Jeannie Boylan, Pierce Webster, Mike Denson, Justin Yost, Karl Brenkert, Matt Perkinson, Dr. Tanya Darden, Amy Dukes, and Julia Byrd

NC DMF:

Randy Gregory, Chip Collier, Stephanie McInerny\* or Alan Bianchi\*, and Doug Mumford\*

GA DNR: Chris Kalinowski and Julie Califf\*

FL FWCC: Steve Brown and Beverly Sauls\*

VA MRC: Joe Cimino

ACCSP: Julie Defillippi\*

NOTE: Those marked with an \* are appointed but will not attend the data workshop.

Move to appoint Tom Ogle, Bob Pelosi, Rusty Hudson, Robert Johnson, to the SEDAR 28 DW. Approved.

Move to recommend appointment of Wally Phinney to the SEDAR AP, and if so appointed, to the SEDAR 28 DW . Approved.

Move to appoint Anne Lange, Mike Denson, and Bob Muller to the AW panel. Approved.

Move to appoint Tom Ogle and Rusty Hudson as observers to the SEDAR 28 AW. Approved.

Move to appoint Luiz Barbieri to Chair the SEDAR 28 RW and Steve Cadrin as an SSC reviewer. Approved

Move to appoint Ben Hartig as the Council observer to SEDAR 28. Approved.