



SOUTH ATLANTIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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AGENDA **Social and Economic Panel Meeting** Held via webinar

Tuesday, February 17 – 12:45 P.M. to 2:30 P.M.

1. Welcome and Introductions (12:45pm – 12:55pm)
 - a. Introductions – Jennifer Sweeney Tookes
 - b. Approval of the agenda (*Attachment 1*) – Jennifer Sweeney Tookes
 - c. Public comment

2. Recreational Angler Attitudes and Preferences in the South Atlantic Snapper Grouper Fishery (12:55pm – 2:25pm)
 - a. Presentation – Kai Lorenzen (*Attachments 2a and 2b*)
 - b. Discuss and provide recommendations, as appropriate – Jennifer Sweeney Tookes

3. Meeting Wrap-Up (2:25pm – 2:30pm)
 - a. Other Business – Jennifer Sweeney Tookes
 - b. Next Social and Economic Panel Meeting (April 13-14, 2026 in Charleston, SC)

Adjourn

Social and Economic Panel Members

Jennifer Sweeney Tookes, Chair
Jason Walsh, Vice-Chair
Adam Stemle
Chelsey Crandall
Christina Package-Ward
Eugene Frimpong
Kathi Kitner
Kevin Hunt

Staff: Christina Wiegand and John Hadley

Attachments

Attachment 1: Meeting agenda and overview

Attachment 2a: Presentation on Recreational Angler Attitudes and Preferences in the South Atlantic Snapper Grouper Fishery

Attachment 2b: Draft report on Recreational Angler Attitudes and Preferences in the South Atlantic Snapper Grouper Fishery

OVERVIEW

Social and Economic Panel

1. Welcome and Introductions

1.1. Document

- **Attachment 1.** Social and Economic Panel Agenda and Overview

1.2. Actions

- Introductions
- Approval of the agenda
- Public comment

2. Recreational Angler Attitudes and Preferences in the South Atlantic Snapper Grouper Fishery

2.1. Documents

- **Attachment 2a.** Presentation on Recreational Angler Attitudes and Preferences in the South Atlantic Snapper Grouper Fishery
- **Attachment 2b:** Draft report on Recreational Angler Attitudes and Preferences in the South Atlantic Snapper Grouper Fishery

2.2. Overview

As part of the ongoing South Atlantic Snapper Grouper Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE), research has recently been conducted assessing angler preferences to better understand attitudes and fishing behavior in the recreational fishery. This research is intended to be used to enhance the Snapper Grouper MSE and aid the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council in future decision making.

2.3. Presentation

Kai Lorenzen, University of Florida

2.4 Actions

Discuss and make recommendations as appropriate.

Discussion questions:

1. Does the SEP have comments on the survey instrument or methods?
2. Are the key uncertainties adequately covered?
3. Does the SEP have any additional comments on the research presented?

3. Meeting Wrap-Up

- Other Business
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