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## AGENDA Snapper Grouper Advisory Panel

April 18-19, 2012

**Wednesday, April 18, 9:00 A.M. – Thursday, April 19, 4:00 P.M.**

2. Approval of Agenda – Don DeMaria
3. Approval of October 2011 Snapper Grouper AP minutes – Don DeMaria
4. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair – Don DeMaria
5. Update on April 3-5, 2012 SSC Meeting – Council staff
6. Update on Recent Snapper Grouper Amendments – Myra Brouwer
  - Amendment 24/EA (Red Grouper)
  - Amendment 18A/EIS (Black Sea Bass)
  - Regulatory Amendment 11/EA (Removal of 240 ft. Closure)
  - Regulatory Amendment 12/EA (Golden Tilefish)
  - Amendment 20A/EA (Wreckfish ITQ)
7. Amendment 18B/EA (Golden Tilefish) – *Attachment 1*
  - Overview -- Myra Brouwer
  - AP Discussion and Recommendations – Don DeMaria
8. Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment 3 – *Attachments 2-4*
  - Overview – Anna Martin
  - Snapper Grouper MPAs in the Gulf of Mexico – Dr. Chris Koenig
  - Spatial approach for site selection – Roger Pugliese
  - AP Discussion and Recommendations – Don DeMaria

9. Other Business – *Attachments 5 & 6*

Time permitting, the AP may discuss the following:

- Grouper landings compared to current ACLs and possible need for regulation changes
- Allocations
- Transition from MRFSS to MRIP and what it means for management
- State by state management for species like black sea bass and golden tilefish

10. Adjourn

**Workshop to Solicit Input on Speckled Hind and Warsaw Grouper – Wednesday, April 18, 6:00 p.m.**

An informal workshop will be held to invite fishermen’s input on possible closed areas in the South Atlantic region to protect speckled hind and warsaw grouper.

Participants include Snapper Grouper AP members, invited participants, and the general public.

The workshop will be conducted via breakout groups and conclude with a plenary session.

**Attachments**

1. Draft Amendment 18B (Golden Tilefish) and Appendices
2. Comprehensive Ecosystem-based Amendment 3 Options Paper
3. WildEarth Guardians Petition to list Speckled Hind under ESA
4. WildEarth Guardians Petition to list Warsaw Grouper under ESA
5. Doerr-Obama Letter
6. Grouper Landings vs. ACLs (material available at meeting)

Advisory Panel Members:

Don DeMaria (Chairman)  
Zack Bowen (Vice-Chairman)  
Steve Amick  
Jim Atack  
Robert Cardin  
Bill Cole, Jr.  
William Conklin  
Greg DeBrango  
Blaine Dickenson  
Kenny Fex  
Terrell Gould  
Rob Harris

Robert Johnson  
Micah LaRoche  
Mark Marhefka  
Gretchen Martin  
Scott Osborne  
Rodney Smith  
Richard Stiglitz  
Sam Ray  
Paul Reiss  
Robert Thompson  
Megan Westmeyer