



# SOUTH ATLANTIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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## AGENDA SNAPPER GROUPE COMMITTEE

Marina Inn at Grande Dunes  
8121 Amalfi Place  
Myrtle Beach, SC

**Tuesday, September 13, 2016 1:30 P.M. to 5:00 P.M. &  
Wednesday, September 14, 2016 8:30 A.M. to 12:00 Noon.**

Approval of Agenda – Dr. Michelle Duval

Approval of June 2016 Snapper Grouper Committee Minutes – Dr. Michelle Duval

1. Status of Commercial Catches versus Quotas for Species under ACLs (*Attachment 1*)
  - A. Overview of Landings – NMFS SERO
  - B. **Committee Action:** take action as necessary – Dr. Michelle Duval
2. Status of Amendments Under Formal Review – NMFS SERO
  - Regulatory Amendment 25 (Blueline tilefish, Yellowtail snapper & Black sea bass bag limit) – sent to NMFS on 3/4/16
  - Regulatory Amendment 16 (BSB pot closure) – sent to NMFS on 3/4/16
  - Amendment 36 (Spawning SMZs)
3. Snapper Grouper Amendment 37 (Hogfish; *Attachments 2a-2c*)
  - A. Overview of DEIS comments (*Attachment 2a*) – NMFS SERO
  - B. Overview of Amendment (*Attachment 2b*) – Myra Brouwer
  - C. **Committee Action:** modify document as appropriate, deem the codified text as necessary and appropriate, and approve for formal review – Dr. Michelle Duval
4. Snapper Grouper Amendment 41 (Mutton snapper; *Attachments 3a-3c*)
  - A. Overview of public hearing comments (*Attachment 3a*) – Myra Brouwer
  - B. Overview of decision document (*Attachment 3b*) – Myra Brouwer
  - C. **Committee Action:** modify document as appropriate and approve all actions – Dr. Michelle Duval

5. Snapper Grouper Amendment 43 (Red Snapper; *Attachment 4*)
  - A. Overview of options paper – Chip Collier
  - B. **Committee Action:** provide guidance to staff – Dr. Michelle Duval
  
6. Vision Blueprint Recreational Amendment (*Attachment 5*)
  - A. Overview of options paper – Myra Brouwer
  - B. **Committee Action:** provide guidance to staff – Dr. Michelle Duval
  - C. Discuss and consider Emergency Action – Dr. Michelle Duval
  
7. Golden Tilefish Items
  - A. Overview of assessment methodology in Mid-Atlantic – John Carmichael
  - B. Council’s rationale for not linking permits/catch history to endorsements (*Attachment 6*) – Myra Brouwer
  - C. Changing fishing year for the hook-and-line component of the commercial golden tilefish fishery – Myra Brouwer
  - D. **Committee Action:** provide guidance to staff – Dr. Michelle Duval
  
8. Discussion of possible gear modifications for black sea bass pots (*Attachment 7*)
  - A. Background – Myra Brouwer
  - B. **Committee Action:** provide guidance to staff – Dr. Michelle Duval
  
9. Red Grouper Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation (SAFE) Report (*Attachment 8*)
  - A. Overview – Dr. Mike Errigo
  - B. **Committee Action:** discuss and provide guidance to staff – Dr. Michelle Duval
  
10. Other Business – Dr. Michelle Duval

Adjourn – Dr. Michelle Duval

**Attachments:**

- Attachment 1.** Summary of Commercial Landings
- Attachment 2a.** DEIS comments package for Amendment 37
- Attachment 2b.** Amendment 37 FEIS Document
- Attachment 2c.** Amendment 37 Codified Text (*available at meeting*)
- Attachment 3a.** Amendment 41 public comments summary
- Attachment 3b.** Amendment 41 Decision Document
- Attachment 3c.** Draft Amendment 41 Document
- Attachment 4.** Amendment 43 Options Paper
- Attachment 5.** Vision Blueprint Recreational Amendment Options Paper
- Attachment 6.** Summary of discussions regarding permits/catch history and endorsements
- Attachment 7.** BSB Pot Selectivity Presentation
- Attachment 8.** Red Grouper SAFE Report

**Snapper Grouper Committee**

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