

**SUMMARY REPORT
FROM THE SHRIMP COMMITTEE MEETING
Charleston, SC
September 16, 2008**

The Shrimp Committee met on September 16, 2008 in Charleston, SC. The committee received the following presentations:

1. Overview of Action 5 in Shrimp Amendment 7 – Myra Brouwer, SAFMC Staff

The Committee received a brief presentation summarizing the information and analyses conducted on Action 5 to Shrimp Amendment 7 requiring verification of VMS in the rock shrimp fishery. This action was added to the amendment at the June 2008 Council meeting.

2. Overview of Public Comment on Shrimp Amendment 7-- Myra Brouwer, SAFMC Staff

The Committee received a summary of comments submitted during the comment period for Shrimp Amendment 7 as well as recommendations from the Deepwater Shrimp Advisory Panel.

The committee approved the following motions:

MOTION #1: MAKE ALTERNATIVE 1 FOR ACTION 5 OUR PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE.
APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

MOTION #2: THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS TO THE COUNCIL APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT 7 (CONSISTENT WITH THE CHANGE IN AMENDMENT 5) TO THE SHRIMP FMP FOR SUBMISSION TO THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE
APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

The Committee discussed the following items:

- The Deepwater Shrimp AP recommended to the Council to consider removing the limited access entry system for the rock shrimp fishery. The AP recommended that this be addressed in Amendment 8 to the Shrimp FMP.