

Final Report

Summary of the Shrimp Committee Meeting

June 8, 2015
Doubletree Grand Key Resort
3990 S. Roosevelt Boulevard
Key West, FL

The agenda was adopted, and the minutes of the September 2012 meeting were approved.

Shrimp and Deepwater Shrimp AP Meeting

Mike Merrifield, Chair of the Deepwater Shrimp AP, gave an update on the April 2015 meeting of the Shrimp and Deepwater Shrimp Advisory Panels. Mike went over the discussion the AP had on the recent Biological Opinion for the Southeastern Shrimp Fishery, the results from the SEDAR Procedural Workshop for Shrimp, the Gulf and South Atlantic Fisheries Foundation TED Workshop, and the motion to recommend not supporting the *Eubalaena-Oculina* Marine Sanctuary proposal. The committee discussed the changes and shifts in the fishery due to environmental and economic factors. Based on the discussions, a motion was made to develop an amendment to change the eastern boundary of the northern extension and develop allowable fishing areas for the rock shrimp fishery.

Motions

MOTION: DEVELOP AN AMENDMENT TO THE CORAL FMP TO CHANGE THE EASTERN BOUNDARY OF THE NORTHERN EXTENSION AND TO DEVELOP ALLOWABLE FISHING AREAS FOR ROCK SHRIMP.

APPROVED BY COMMITTEE

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Timing and Task Draft Motion

MOTION: Develop an amendment to the Coral FMP to change the eastern boundary of the northern extension and to develop allowable fishing areas for rock shrimp.

APPROVED BY COUNCIL