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April 29 - May 1, 2014 Crowne Plaza 4831 Tanger Outlet Boulevard North Charleston, SC 29418

FINAL AGENDA

Other than the starting and ending times of the meeting, times indicated on the agenda are approximate, and the order of business may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the completion of agenda items. Interested parties should be aware that discussions may start earlier or later than indicated.

Tuesday, April 29, 2014, 1:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

1. INTRODUCTION

- A. Introductions
- B. Approval of Agenda
- C. Approval of Minutes

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

3. SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC SCIENCES PANLE REPORT

A. Panel recommendations -- John Whitehead

4. GENERIC ACCOUNTABILITY MEASURES/DOLPHIN ALLOCATION AMENDMENT

- A. Presentation -- Brian Cheuvront, SAFMC
- B. Committee Action: *Review actions and alternatives*

5. DOLPHIN WAHOO AMENDMENT 7/SNAPPER GROUPER AMENDMENT 33

- A. Presentation -- Brian Cheuvront, SAFMC
- B. Committee Action: *Review actions and alternative*

6. ASSESSMENT PLANNING WORKSHOP REPORT

- A. Workshop recommendations-- Luiz Barbieri
- B. Committee Action: Recommend assessment priorities and long term schedule

7. SEDAR ACTIVITIES

A. Committee Action Black grouper update TORs

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30, 2014, 9:00 AM - 5:30 P.M.

8. BLUELINE TILEFISH PROJECTIONS

- A. Assessment Presentation -- SEFSC
- B. Committee Action *Review, provide fishing level recommendations, discuss uncertainties*

9. WRECKFISH ASSESSMENT REVIEW

- A. Assessment Presentation -- Doug Butterworth
- B. Committee Action *Review, provide fishing level recommendations, discuss uncertainties*

10. GAG GROUPER ASSESSMENT REVIEW

- A. Assessment Presentation -- SEFSC
- B. Committee Action *Review, provide fishing level recommendations, discuss uncertainties*

11. SNOWY GROUPER ASSESSMENT REVIEW

- A. Assessment Presentation -- SEFSC
- B. Committee Action *Review, provide fishing level recommendations, discuss uncertainties*

12. REVIEW SAFMC PEER REVIEW PROCESS

A. Committee Action *Review process & recommend revisions if appropriate*

13. ANNUAL RESEARCH PRIORITIES

A. Committee Action *Review and provide guidance as necessary.*

14. UPDATE ON MRIP PROGRAM CHANGES

A. Presentation: TBD, MRIP

Thursday, May 1, 2014, 9:00 am - 3:00 p.m.

15. CMP AMENDMENT 24

- A. Amendment Overview-- Kari MacLauchlin, SAFMC
- B. Committee Action

16. SG AMEND 29

A. Amendment Overview -- Myra Brouwer, SAFMC

B. Committee Action

17. OCULINA CLOSED AREA EVALUATION

- A. Presentation -- Gregg Waugh, SAFMC
- B. Committee Action *Review draft report and provide guidance.*

18. FISHERY INDEPENDENT SAMPLING REPORT

A. Presentation -- Marcel Reichert, SC DNR

19. PROJECT UPDATES

- A. Fishery Dependent Sampling Workshop
- B. National Standard 2 Revisions
- C. ABC Control Rule Revisions Workshop

20. COUNCIL WORKPLAN UPDATE

21. OTHER BUSINESS

22. REVIEW RECOMMENDATIONS & PUBLIC COMMENT

23. ELECTIONS

24. NEXT MEETING

25. ADJOURN

PUBLIC COMMENT PROCESS

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