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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, OCTOBER 20, 1 P.M. - 5 P.M.

1. INTRODUCTION

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

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

3. REPORT ON LANDINGS AND AM STATUS

Final 2014 & Preliminary 2015 landings and AM status: SERO

4. UNITS FOR FISHING LEVEL RECOMMENDATIONS

Presentation – Mike Errigo, SAFMC Action: Review and provide guidance

5. HEADBOAT DATA EVALUATION REPORT

Presentation: SEFSC TBD

6. SEDAR ACTIVITIES

Reports: Data Best Practices, Steering Committee Action: Assessment priorities 2018-2020

7. SAFMC CITIZEN SCIENCE PROJECT

Overview -- John Carmichael, SAFMC

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2015, 9 A.M.- 5 P.M.

8. SNAPPER GROUPER AMENDMENT 36

Review

9. SNAPPER GROUPER AMENDMENT 37

Review revised projections and catch level recommendations

10. SNAPPER GROUPER REGULATORY AMENDMENT 16

Final Review

11. SYSTEM MANAGEMENT PLAN

Review

12. RECREATIONAL CATCH ESTIMATION FOR RARE SPECIES

Presentation: John Foster, NOAA Fisheries

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 22, 9 AM – 3 PM.

13. ABC CONTROL RULE REVISION GROUP REPORT

Overview and update – Luiz Barbieri/Steve Cadrin Action: Consider ABC Control Rule Revisions

14. REVISED RESEARCH RECOMMENDATIONS

Overview – John Carmichael

15. NMFS NATIONAL STOCK PRIORITIZATION TOOL

Presentation – Rick Methot, NMFS

16. BLUELINE TILEFISH

17. COUNCIL WORKPLAN UPDATE

18. OTHER BUSINESS

19. REVIEW RECOMMENDATIONS & PUBLIC COMMENT

20. ELECTIONS

21. NEXT MEETING

22. ADJOURN

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