



SOUTH ATLANTIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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Scientific and Statistical Committee

April 28 – May 1, 2020
Meeting via webinar

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 28, 1:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

1. INTRODUCTION

- *Introductions*
- *Approval of Agenda*
- *Approval of Minutes*

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

3. SEDAR ACTIVITIES

- *Approve Terms of Reference, schedules, and request participants for Red Snapper, Black Sea Bass, and Spanish Mackerel*
- *Public Comment*

4. NEW SCIENCE CENTER RECREATIONAL WEIGHT ESTIMATION PROCEDURE AND UPDATED ABC'S FOR UNASSESSED SPECIES

- *Actions: Review the new landings time series for all unassessed species due to a change in weight estimation methodology, consider setting new ABC's based on these newly updated landings data, consider the use of ORCS and/or alternate time series for Dolphin and Wahoo ABC calculations.*
- *Public Comment*

Wednesday, April 29, 8:30 a.m. – noon

5. SEDAR 38 KING MACKEREL ASSESSMENT UPDATE REVIEW

- *Presentation: Dr. Matt Lauretta, SEFSC*
- *Actions: Review, apply ABC Control Rule and provide fishing level recommendations, and discuss uncertainties.*
- *Public Comment*

Wednesday, April 29, 1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

6. SEDAR 59 GREATER AMBERJACK ASSESSMENT REVIEW

- *Presentation: Dr. Kevin Craig, SEFSC*
- *Actions: Review, apply ABC Control Rule and provide fishing level recommendations, and discuss uncertainties.*
- *Public Comment*

Thursday, April 30, 8:30 a.m. – noon

7. SEDAR 60 RED PORGY ASSESSMENT REVIEW

- *Presentation: Dr. Nikolai Klibansky, SEFSC*
- *Actions: Review, apply ABC Control Rule and provide fishing level recommendations, and discuss uncertainties.*
- *Public Comment*

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8. COUNCIL WORKPLAN UPDATE

9. OTHER BUSINESS

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

11. CONSENSUS STATEMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS REVIEW

12. ELECTIONS

13. NEXT MEETING

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PUBLIC COMMENT PROCESS

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An opportunity for comment on specific agenda items will also be provided as each item come up for discussion. This opportunity for comment will happen after all the initial presentations are given and before the SSC starts the discussion of the agenda topic. As before, those wishing to comment should indicate such in the manner requested by the Chair, who will then recognize individuals to provide comment. All comments are part of the record of the meeting.