



SOUTH ATLANTIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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Scientific and Statistical Committee

October 13 – 15, 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, October 13, 9:00 a.m. - noon

1. INTRODUCTION

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

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

3. SEDAR ACTIVITIES

- *Actions: Approve Terms of Reference, for Blueline Tilefish, Red Grouper, and Vermilion Snapper*
- *Public Comment*

4. UPDATE ON NEW DATA IN THE SEDAR 73 RED SNAPPER ASSESSMENT

- *Public Comment*

5. REVIEW OF THE KING MACKEREL LENGTH MEASUREMENT METHODOLOGY FROM THE FISHSTORY PROJECT

- *Presentation: Dr. Chip Collier and Julia Byrd, SAFMC*
- *Actions: Review the methodology and discuss if the methods are appropriate to estimate length distribution.*
- *Public Comment*

Tuesday, October 13, 1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

6. SOUTH ATLANTIC ECOPATH WITH ECOSIM MODEL REVIEW

- *Presentation: Dr. Yan Li, SSC Workgroup Chair & Lauren Gentry and Luke McEachron, FWRI*
- *Actions: Review the model and the workgroup’s findings and discuss uncertainties, utility, and next steps.*
- *Public Comment*

Wednesday, October 14, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

7. COMPREHENSIVE ABC CONTROL RULE AMENDMENT

- *Presentation: Dr. Mike Schmidtke and Dr. Mike Errigo, SAFMC*
- *Actions: Review and comment on aspects of the ABC Control Rule Amendment, including the use of Phase-Ins and Carry-Overs, the implementation of the Risk Analysis, and the use of the ORCS approach.*
- *Public Comment*

Thursday, October 15, 9:00 a.m. – noon

8. COUNCIL WORKPLAN UPDATE

9. OTHER BUSINESS

10. PUBLIC COMMENT

11. CONSENSUS STATEMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS REVIEW

12. NEXT MEETING

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