

SAFMC SEDAR Committee

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SEDAR Process Overview

- Goal: Increased participation, transparency, scientific rigor
- Cooperative, Council-run process for developing stock assessments
- Includes SAFMC, GMFMC, CFMC, ASMFC, GSMFC, SEFSC, SERO, HMS
- Assessments prepared by SEFSC, FL FWCC, ASMFC, GSMFC
- Oversight by the SEDAR Steering Committee – Council Chairs & EDs, NMFS SERA, SE-SRD, HMS, ASMFC-GSMFC EDs
 - Process + Priorities

What does SEDAR do?

- Meeting Logistics & Travel Support
 - SSC + State Data Providers + Constituents
- Administrative Record Keeping & Distribution (PARR)
- Peer Review Management (CIE/IQA/PR bulletin)
- Facilitate workload management (Workshops, data delivery)
- Manage assessment projects
- Outreach & Education (MREP)

What does the SAFMC SEDAR Committee do?

- Develop guidance on process and procedures for Council representatives to the Steering Committee
 - Determine Council Assessment Priorities
 - Make workshop appointments
 - Treated as APs – MSA and FACA, enables consensus recommendations
 - Approve Schedules and Terms of Reference
- A SEDAR Committee was requested of each Council
- Each Cooperator has its own process

Role of Council Members in SEDAR

- Council Chair serves on the SEDAR Steering Committee
 - Members serve on the SAFMC SEDAR Committee
 - Observers to the assessment process
 - Ensure policies and practices are followed
 - Discussion of **Science**, not **Management**
 - **Support for Coordinators if individuals become disruptive or out of line**
 - Increase awareness of the assessment Process
 - Increase awareness of specific assessment issues & uncertainties
- Goal: Council Members become better informed, prepared to provide guidance on polices, practices, appointments, TORs.***