



SOUTH ATLANTIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT JUNE 2017

The **Council's priorities for 2017/18** are included as Attachment 3b in TAB 14, Executive Finance Committee briefing materials. Detailed information on the status of each FMP/Amendment and upcoming meetings is contained in the **Council Follow-Up** (Attachment 3a in TAB 14, Executive Finance Committee briefing materials).

In addition to the Advisory Panel meetings, SEDAR meetings, Socioeconomic Panel and SSC meetings, the Council Coordinating Committee met May 15-18, 2017 in Gloucester, MA. The CCC meeting report is included as Attachment 1B in TAB 14. There are a lot of items for the Council to develop comments for and we will cover some of the more time critical items at the June meeting. The remaining items will be addressed during a 1-day Webinar Executive Finance Committee meeting sometime in late July. We will discuss a date during the meeting next week.

Staff Recognition:

1. Deb Buscher retired 5/31/17 after 22 years of service to the Council. We held a retirement lunch for Deb on June 6th. Be sure to ask our staff poet (aka Mike Collins) about the poem he wrote for Deb!
2. Suzanna Thomas – hired as Financial Assistant as of 1/9/17; welcome aboard Suzanna!
3. Kelsey Dick – hired as of 6/19/17 to work on Recreational Snapper Grouper Permitting/Reporting Project; welcome aboard Kelsey.
4. Kathleen Howington– hired as of 6/19/17 to work on For-Hire Outreach Project; welcome aboard Kathleen.
5. Myra Brouwer – 14 years as of 7/7/17; congratulations Myra!
6. Julia Byrd – 5 years as of 8/13/17; congratulations Julia!
7. Cindy Chaya – 23 years as of 4/4/17; congratulations Cindy!
8. Brian Chevront – 6 years as of 7/11/17; congratulations Brian!
9. Dr. Chip Collier – 3 years as of 7/9/17; congratulations Chip!
10. Mike Collins – 11 years as of 7/17/17; congratulations Mike!
11. John Hadley – 1 year as of 5/25/17; congratulations John!
12. Roger Pugliese – 31 years as of 5/16/17; congratulations Julia!