SAFMC Visioning Workshop – December 2014 SUMMARY REPORT - FINAL

New Bern, NC December 1, 2014

Review of October Council Visioning Workshop

Staff provided an overview of the October Council Visioning Workshop materials including a review of the breakout session themes and a summary of the discussion on a vision for each sector in the snapper grouper fishery. Staff reviewed a GAP analysis that compared issues/topics raised during the port meetings vs. issues/topics discussed during the Council Visioning Workshop. Council received information on specific topics that were not addressed during their workshop that may need further consideration and discussion as the draft Vision Blueprint is developed.

Review and Discussion of Strategic Goals - Management & Communication

Information from the October Council Visioning Workshop was compiled into the draft Vision Blueprint strategic goals for Management and Communication. Staff presented the draft objectives, strategies, and actions for each strategic goal. Council provided staff guidance on edits to the language of the document, revisions and additions to the draft strategies and actions, and overall format of the documents. Revised versions of the two documents will be presented at the March 2015 Council meeting.

Planning Discussion for Next Steps

Staff provided an update on the timing for the development of the draft Vision Blueprint as of December 2014. The current timeline is as follows.

- **December 2014:** Council review of draft snapper grouper goals for Management and Communication for the draft Vision Blueprint.
- **March 2015:** Council review of draft snapper grouper goals for Science and Governance for the draft Vision Blueprint.
- March-June 2015: Collect public input on draft Vision Blueprint.
- **June 2015:** Council reviews public input and refines draft Vision Blueprint.
- **July 2015:** Council Visioning Workshop II to prioritize potential short-term action items.
- **September 2015:** Finalize potential short-term action items and begin development of Snapper Grouper Amendment 37.

For the March 2015 visioning workshop,

- Council will review the revised documents for the Management and Communication strategic goals and begin review of the Science and Governance strategic goals.
- Discuss and finalize strategies and timeline for collecting public input on the draft Vision Blueprint.
- Review a planning document for implementing listening stations to collect public input.
- Receive a list of resources outlining potential capacity of the snapper grouper fishery.
- Additional strategies/actions for Management strategic goal:
 - Specify recreational ACL in numbers.
 - o Consider developing Fishery Performance Reports for the fishery (developed by the AP).
 - o Address red grouper spawning.