

Law Enforcement Advisory Panel Meeting
August 12th and 13th, 2009
Charleston, SC

MOTION 1: LE AP PREFERENCE IS FOR ALTERNATIVE 3 WITH STRAIGHTENED LINES ALONG THE EASTERN AND WESTERN EDGES AND CLOSE GAP BETWEEN THE OCULINA HAPC AND CLOSURE. RECOMMEND THE COUNCIL CONSIDER THE OTHER CLOSURES IN RELATION TO THESE CLOSURES.

MOTION 2: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 7C AS THE PREFERRED TRANSIT ALTERNATIVE (WRECKFISH IS THE ONLY SNAPPER GROUPER SPECIES ALLOWED ONBOARD DURING TRANSIT IN THE CLOSED AREA). ADD LANGUAGE TO THE AMENDMENT CONCERNING TRANSIT WITH SNAPPER GROUPER FISHING FROM BAHAMIAN WATERS.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION 2: ADOPT ALTERNATIVE 7C AS THE PREFERRED TRANSIT ALTERNATIVE [DEVIATE FROM 7C IN THAT GOLDEN TILEFISH, BLACK SEA BASS (CAUGHT WITH POTS), AND WRECKFISH ARE THE ONLY SNAPPER GROUPER SPECIES ALLOWED ONBOARD DURING TRANSIT IN THE CLOSED AREA]. ADD LANGUAGE TO THE AMENDMENT CONCERNING TRANSIT WITH SNAPPER GROUPER FISHING FROM BAHAMIAN WATERS.

MOTION 3: ALIGN THE CLOSURE IN 17B TO MATCH THE EASTERN LINE IN 17A ACCORDING TO THE PREVIOUS MOTION.

MOTION 4: REDEFINE TRANSIT PROVISIONS IN THE CURRENT DEEPWATER MPAS TO MATCH THE TRANSIT REGULATIONS IN AMENDMENTS 17A AND 17B. LEAP RECOMMENDS NO TRANSIT EXCEPT WITH WRECKFISH.

MOTION 5: SPECIFY AN ALLOWABLE GOLDEN TILEFISH FISHING AREA.

MOTION 6: IN REGARD TO AMENDMENT 17A, DO NOT ALLOW SPEARFISHING FOR SNAPPER GROUPER COMPLEX SPECIES IN CLOSED AREAS.

MOTION 7: TAKE NMFS PROPOSALS WITH THE REDUCED NUMBER (19 OR FEWER) OF WAYPOINTS FORWARD TO THE OTHER ADVISORY PANELS TO CONSIDER WHEN THE COUNCIL/NMFS CONSIDERS REDUCING THE NUMBER OF WAYPOINTS FOR THE PROPOSED HAPC AREAS IN CE-BA 1