

Overview

Dolphin Wahoo Committee

December 5, 2013

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The Committee will receive a report regarding public hearing comments on Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 7. The Committee will then modify Amendment 7 as necessary, recommend the full Council approve it for formal review, and deem the codified text as necessary and appropriate. The Committee will discuss the Comprehensive Allocation and Accountability Measures Amendment as it pertains to dolphin and wahoo, and address issues under Other Business as appropriate.

Dolphin Wahoo Public Hearing Comments and Report (*Attachment 1*)

The Committee will receive an oral report about the outcome of the public hearing comments received regarding Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 7 in November 2013.

REQUIRED COMMITTEE ACTION: Discuss the public hearing comments and make revisions as necessary under the next item.

Amendment 7 (dolphin wahoo; *Attachment 2*)

At the September 2013 meeting, the Council instructed staff to develop Amendment 7. Using the Amendment (*Attachment 2*), Council staff will provide an overview of the document developed since the September 2013 Council meeting and capture any further changes the Committee wishes to recommend to the Council, including any suggestions received during the public hearings and comment period. Amendment 7 is scheduled to be approved for submission to the Secretary of Commerce for formal review at the December 2013 meeting. The codified text (*Attachment 3*) will also be reviewed.

REQUIRED COMMITTEE ACTION: Modify draft Amendment 7 as appropriate, approve for formal review, and deem the codified text necessary and appropriate.

Comprehensive Allocation and Accountability Measures Amendment (*Attachment 4*)

The Council is beginning development of an allocation and accountability measures amendment. The Council recently revised accountability measures for dolphin and wahoo in Amendment 5. For these two species, the Committee is being asked to review the draft actions and alternatives relevant to dolphin and wahoo, and to give staff direction for further development. The Council

will discuss and then decide whether or not to take the Comprehensive Allocation and Accountability Measures Amendment out for scoping in January of 2014.

REQUIRED COMMITTEE ACTION: Discuss the dolphin and wahoo allocation actions and alternatives in the Comprehensive Allocation and Accountability Measures Amendment. Take action as necessary.

Other Business

The Committee will address items under Other Business as appropriate.

REQUIRED COMMITTEE ACTION: Discuss and take action as necessary.