

**SUMMARY REPORT
FROM THE LAP PROGRAM COMMITTEE MEETING
Wilmington, North Carolina
Monday, December 1, 2008**

The LAP Program Committee met on December 1, 2008 in Wilmington, North Carolina.

The Committee

- ❖ Received a presentation from Kate Quigley, Council staff, summarizing the results of the Golden Tilefish LAP Workgroup meeting held in late October in Charleston, SC. This presentation was followed by comments from Steve Shelley and Matt Ruby, Golden Tilefish LAP Workgroup members, and Robert Cardin who attended the meeting. The LAP Committee also considered scoping for a golden tilefish LAP.
- ❖ Received a request, related by Councils staff, made by three golden crab fishermen for a LAP workshop to consider a LAP program for the golden crab fishery. The LAP Committee also considered scoping for a golden crab LAP.
- ❖ Received comments and questions from Paul Reiss, wreckfish fishermen, regarding possible changes considered for the wreckfish IFQ as well as considered scoping for changes to the wreckfish IFQ.
- ❖ Reviewed a letter from Dr. Pat Harris concerning the contribution of fish caught (for research purposes by individual fishermen) to fishermen's catch history considered for LAP programs.

The Committee made the following motions:

MOTION 1. RECOMMEND TO THE COUNCIL THAT A CONTROL DATE OF DECEMBER 1, 2008 BE IMPLEMENTED FOR GOLDEN TILEFISH

SHIPMAN/GEIGER
MOTION APPROVED

MOTION 2. RECOMMEND THAT THE SG COMMITTEE CONSIDER THE AVERAGE OF 1986-2007 AS AN OPTION FOR THE COMMERCIAL GOLDEN TILEFISH ALLOCATION IN AMD 17

SHIPMAN/GEIGER
MOTION APPROVED

MOTION 3. RECOMMEND THE COUNCIL SCOPE FOR CHANGES TO THE WRECKFISH IFQ

GEIGER/SHIPMAN
MOTION APPROVED

The Committee provided the following guidance to staff:

Have a discussion with golden crab fishermen about how why they would like a LAP for the golden crab fishery.