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COUNCIL SESSION AGENDA

Webinar Meeting

May 13, 2013

{Except for the advertised (scheduled) public comment session, the times indicated on the agenda may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the completion of agenda items. Interested parties should be aware that agenda items maybe addresses earlier or later than indicated. }

Monday, 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Adoption of Agenda

Approval of March 2013 Minutes/David Cupka

Public comment will be accepted on Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 19 and the Proposed Rule to Address Permit Transfer and Renewal Requirements for Gulf of Mexico For-Hire Permits. **Individuals wishing to comment verbally must use the question feature (box) on the webinar control panel to indicate their desire to speak. This must be done by 1:15 p.m.** (The webinar page will be available from 12:00 noon until 1:15 p.m. for individuals to register their desire to comment verbally.) **At 1:15 p.m. the Chairman will begin the public comment period by calling on those individuals that registered using the webinar control panel question feature.**

Snapper Grouper

1. Update on the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) review and recommendations on the 2013 stock assessment update for black sea bass (Attachment 1) - Council staff
2. Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 19 (Attachments 2-3)
 - A. Summary of Public Comments - Myra Brouwer
 - B. Overview - Myra Brouwer/Gregg Waugh
3. Council discussion and action on Regulatory Amendment 19 - Michelle Duval
 - A. Select preferred alternatives and modify the amendment as appropriate - **ACTION**
 - B. Approve Regulatory Amendment 19 for formal Secretarial review - **ACTION**
 - C. Deem the codified text as necessary and appropriate - **ACTION**

Gulf Council Permit Transfer and Renewal Requirements (only affecting the Gulf)

1. Overview of the Proposed Rule to address permit transfer and renewal requirements for Gulf of Mexico for-hire permits - (Attachments 1A and 1B) - Dr. Roy Crabtree

(This action would revise transfer restrictions, and would allow a for-hire vessel to maintain a greater passenger capacity for non-fishing activities, but would maintain the restriction that the vessel's passenger capacity while fishing remains the amount listed on the for-hire permit, based on the passenger capacity of the vessel when the permit was first issued. In addition, vessel owners would no longer need to submit their Certificate of Inspection documentation for renewal.)

2. Council discussion - Chairman Cupka

3. Approval by the South Atlantic Council - **ACTION**

Other Business

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