



SOUTH ATLANTIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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Agenda

World Golf Village Renaissance
500 Legacy Trail
St. Augustine, FL

June 12-16, 2023

Except for advertised (scheduled) public hearings and public comment sessions, the times indicated on the agenda may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the completion of agenda items. Interested parties should be aware that meetings may start earlier or later than indicated.

Hybrid Public Comment Session:

The public comment session for the meeting (June 14, 2023, at 4 PM), will allow for both in-person and remote (via webinar) verbal public comment. Individuals intending to provide verbal public comment remotely are asked to sign-up [HERE](#). Members of the public intending to provide verbal public comment in-person will be asked to sign-in at the meeting.

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From June 6 to 5 PM on June 16, written comments must be submitted electronically through the online public comment form at the link above.

Monday, June 12, 2023

COUNCIL SESSION

COUNCIL SESSION I/Belcher 8:30 am – 12:00 noon (CLOSED Session)

- Approve minutes (March 2023)

 1. Litigation brief – NOAA General Counsel
 2. Appointments
 3. 2022 Law Enforcement Officer of the Year Selection

12:00 noon to 1:30 pm

Lunch

COUNCIL SESSION I/Belcher 1:30 pm – 4:00 pm (Open Session)

- Call to order and introductions
- Approve agenda
- Approve minutes (March 2023)

1. Reports (NOAA Office of Law Enforcement, US Coast Guard, Council liaisons, state agencies)
2. Update from Highly Migratory Species – NMFS HMS
3. Joint Commercial Electronic Logbook Amendment
 - a. Update on amendment
 - b. SEFSC commercial e-logbook project presentation – NMFS SEFSC
4. SAFMC Research and Monitoring Plan
 - a. Presentation on SEFSC on accomplishments and progress – NMFS SEFSC

Monday, June 12, 2023

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Citizen Science Committee/Marhefka 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

- Approve agenda
 - Approve minutes (June 2022)
1. CitSci Project Idea Portal
 2. CitSci projects and program evaluation update

Tuesday, June 13, 2023

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Mackerel Cobia Committee/Roller 8:30 am – 11:00 am

- Approve agenda
 - Approve minutes (March 2023)
 - Spanish mackerel management
 - Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) recommendations – SSC Chair
1. Mackerel Cobia Advisory Panel (AP) report – AP Chair
 2. Port meetings
 3. King mackerel tournament landings
 4. Topics for AP meeting

Dolphin Wahoo Committee/Marhefka 11:00 am – 12:00 noon

- Approve agenda
 - Approve minutes (June 2022)
1. Dolphin Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE) update – NMFS SEFSC
 2. Dolphin-related management actions in the Caribbean – NMFS SERO
 3. Regulatory Amendment 3 (size limit and recreational retention limits)

12:00 noon to 1:30 pm

Lunch

Snapper Grouper Committee/McCawley 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm

- Approve agenda
- Approve minutes (March 2023)

- 1. Wreckfish (Amendment 48)
 - a. AP recommendations – AP Chair
- 2. SAFE Report

Wednesday, June 14, 2023

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Snapper Grouper Committee/McCawley 8:30 am – 12:00 noon

- 3. Yellowtail Snapper (Amendment 44)
 - a. AP recommendations
 - b. Allocations Decision Tool
- 4. Scamp/Yellowmouth (Amendment 55)
 - a. AP recommendations
 - b. SSC Recommendations

12:00 noon to 1:30 pm

Lunch

Snapper Grouper Committee/McCawley 1:30 pm – 3:45 pm

- 5. Black Sea Bass Assessment
 - a. Presentation – NMFS SEFSC
 - b. SSC recommendations
- 6. SSC recommendations on topics not covered under agenda items
- 7. AP recommendations on topics not covered under agenda items

Wednesday, June 14, 2023

PUBLIC COMMENTS

4:00 pm

Public comment will be accepted from individuals attending the meeting (in-person and remotely) regarding any of the items on the Council agenda. The Council Chair, based on the number of individuals wishing to comment, will determine the amount of time provided to each commenter. Those intending to provide verbal public comment via webinar can sign-up [HERE](#).

Approve for scoping:

- 1) Scamp/Yellowmouth (SG Amendment 55)

Thursday, June 15, 2023

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Snapper Grouper Committee/McCawley 8:30 am – 10:30 am

8. Private Recreational Permit (Amendment 46)
 - a. AP recommendations – Recreational Permitting and Reporting Technical AP Chair
9. Updates
 - a. Spawning SMZs Sunset
 - b. Best Fishing Practices Outreach

Thursday, June 15, 2023

COUNCIL SESSION

COUNCIL SESSION II/Belcher 10:30 am – 12:00 noon

1. Litigation Brief (if needed) – NOAA General Counsel
2. Staff Report
3. Council Coordinating Committee (CCC) Report
4. Presentation on National Standards – Mike Ruccio, NMFS OSF

12:00 noon to 1:30 pm

Lunch

COUNCIL SESSION II/Belcher 1:30 pm – 5:00 pm

5. Presentation on Space Operations off Florida – Dale Ketcham, Space Florida
6. Presentation on Equity and Environmental Justice – NMFS SERO
7. NMFS Southeast Regional Office Report
8. NMFS Southeast Fisheries Science Center Report

COUNCIL SESSION II/Belcher 8:30 am – 12:00 noon

9. Committee reports
10. Council workplan
11. Upcoming meetings

Other business

Adjourn