

South Atlantic Fishery Management Council Meeting

June 9-13, 2014
Ponte Vedra Beach, FL

Sawgrass Marriott
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Ponte Vedra Beach, FL 32082

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Agenda Highlights:

Snapper Grouper Committee Meeting

- **Amendment 29** - (ORCS and gray triggerfish) - outlines procedures for management of stocks with limited data (only reliable catch stocks) and also includes alternatives for **gray triggerfish** management including commercial trip limits, split seasons, and changes to size limits. The Council is scheduled to approve the amendment for submission to the Secretary of Commerce.
- **Review Amendments for Public Hearings Scheduled in August** - Amendment 32 addressing **blueline tilefish** annual catch limits and Regulatory Amendment 20 addressing measures for **snowy grouper**.
- **Regulatory Amendment 17** - (MPAs) - The Committee will review the scoping document and discuss a potential alternative approach to take out for public scoping in August.

Joint Dolphin Wahoo and Snapper Grouper Committees Meeting

- **Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 7/Snapper Grouper Amendment 33** - these two amendments address management alternatives to allow recreational fishermen to bring dolphin and wahoo **fillets from The Bahamas** into the U.S. EEZ and update regulations allowing recreational fishermen to bring back snapper grouper fillets. The Council is scheduled to approve the amendments for public hearings in August.
- **Generic Accountability Measures and Dolphin Allocation Amendment** - This amendment includes alternatives to establish consistent accountability measures for several species as well as allocations between commercial and recreational sectors for dolphin (mahi mahi). The Council is scheduled to approve the amendment for public hearings in August.

Public Input

Monday, June 9 at 6:00 PM - National Recreational Fishing Policy Listening Session with NOAA Fisheries

NOAA Fisheries is soliciting public input on the development of the National Recreational Fishing Policy and holding a listening session in conjunction with the Council meeting.

Wednesday, June 11 at 5:30 PM - Informal Q&A Session

Led by NOAA Fisheries Regional Administrator Dr. Roy Crabtree and Council Chairman Ben Hartig.

Thursday, June 12 at 5:30 PM - Public Comment

Formal public comment accepted on Snapper Grouper Amendment 29 (ORCS and gray triggerfish) followed by comment on other agenda items. (See briefing book materials available at www.safmc.net for details.)

SAFMC Meeting Agenda

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Monday, June 9

9:00 am - 11:30 am Council Member Visioning Workshop
11:30 am - 12:00 noon National Rec. Fishing Policy Development Presentation
1:30 pm - 3:30 pm Joint Habitat/Ecosystem Committee
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm Executive Finance Committee
4:30 pm - 5:30 pm Protected Resources Committee
6:00 pm *Listening Session - National Rec. Fishing Policy*

Tuesday, June 10

8:30 am - 9:30 am SSC Selection Committee (closed session)
9:30 am - 10:30 am Advisory Panel Selection Committee (closed session)
10:30 am - 11:00 am Law Enforcement Committee (closed session)
11:00 am - 12:00 noon SEDAR Committee
1:30 pm - 5:30 pm Snapper Grouper Committee

Wednesday, June 11

8:30 am - 5:00 pm Snapper Grouper Committee (*continued*)
5:30 pm *Informal Public Q & A Session*

Thursday, June 12

8:30 am - 10:00 am Jt. Dolphin Wahoo and Snapper Grouper Committees
10:00 am - 11:00 am Highly Migratory Species Committee
11:00 am - 2:30 pm Mackerel Committee
2:30 pm - 3:00 pm Information and Education Committee
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm Golden Crab Committee
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm Data Collection Committee
5:30 pm *Formal Public Comment*

Friday, June 13

8:30 am - 3:15 pm -Council Session-

Note: Except for public comment, the agenda items and schedules are subject to change.

Additional meeting information is available at www.safmc.net or from the Council office at: 843/571-4366 or toll free 866/SAFMC-10.

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