

9. Final Action to Implement 2015 Pacific Whiting Fishery under the U.S.-Canada Pacific Whiting Agreement (Final Action)

F. Administrative Matters

1. Seabird Protection Update
2. Prepare Comments on Proposed Changes to National Standard Guidelines 1, 3, and 7
3. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes
4. Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures
5. Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning

G. Coastal Pelagic Species Management

1. Final Action on Sardine Assessment, Specifications, and Management Measures (Final Action)
2. Finalize Methodology Review Council Operating Procedures

H. Pacific Halibut Management

- Final Action on Incidental Landing Restrictions for 2015–2016 Salmon Troll Fishery (Final Action)

I. Enforcement Issues

1. Regulations for Vessel Movement Monitoring

**Schedule of Ancillary Meetings**

Day 1—Friday, April 10, 2015

- Groundfish Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
 Groundfish Management Team 8 a.m.  
 Model Evaluation Workgroup 8 a.m.  
 Salmon Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
 Salmon Technical Team 8 a.m.  
 Scientific and Statistical Committee 8 a.m.  
 Habitat Committee 8:30 a.m.

Day 2—Saturday, April 11, 2015

- California State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Oregon State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Washington State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
 Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team 8 a.m.  
 Groundfish Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
 Groundfish Management Team 8 a.m.  
 Salmon Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
 Salmon Technical Team 8 a.m.  
 Scientific and Statistical Committee 8 a.m.  
 Enforcement Consultants 3 p.m.  
 Chair's Reception 6 p.m.

Day 3—Sunday, April 12, 2015

- California State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Oregon State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Washington State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
 Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team 8 a.m.  
 Groundfish Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
 Groundfish Management Team 8 a.m.

- Salmon Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
 Salmon Technical Team 8 a.m.  
 Enforcement Consultants Ad hoc  
 Tribal Policy Group Ad hoc  
 Tribal and Washington Technical Group Ad hoc

Day 4—Monday, April 13, 2015

- California State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Oregon State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Washington State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Groundfish Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
 Groundfish Management Team 8 a.m.  
 Salmon Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
 Salmon Technical Team 8 a.m.  
 Enforcement Consultants Ad hoc  
 Tribal Policy Group Ad hoc  
 Tribal and Washington Technical Group Ad hoc

Day 5—Tuesday, April 14, 2015

- California State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Oregon State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Washington State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Groundfish Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
 Groundfish Management Team 8 a.m.  
 Salmon Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
 Salmon Technical Team 8 a.m.  
 Enforcement Consultants Ad hoc  
 Tribal Policy Group Ad hoc  
 Tribal and Washington Technical Group Ad hoc

Day 6—Wednesday, April 15, 2015

- California State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Oregon State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Washington State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Groundfish Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
 Groundfish Management Team 8 a.m.  
 Salmon Technical Team 8 a.m.  
 Enforcement Consultants Ad hoc  
 Tribal Policy Group Ad hoc  
 Tribal and Washington Technical Group Ad hoc

Day 7—Thursday, April 16, 2015

- California State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Oregon State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Washington State Delegation 7 a.m.
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**Special Accommodations**

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids

should be directed to Carolyn Porter at (503) 820-2280 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: March 20, 2015.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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**Fisheries of the Gulf of Mexico; Southeast Data, Assessment, and Review (SEDAR); Public Meetings**

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of SEDAR 42 assessment process webinars for Gulf of Mexico Red Grouper.

**SUMMARY:** The SEDAR 42 assessment of Gulf of Mexico Red Grouper will consist of a series of webinars. This notice is for a webinar associated with the Assessment portion of the SEDAR process. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**DATES:** The assessment webinar for SEDAR 42 will be held on Monday, April 13, 2015, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. eastern time.

**ADDRESSES:** *Meeting address:* The meeting will be held via webinar. The webinar is open to the public. Those interested in participating should contact Julie A. Neer at SEDAR (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT** below) to request an invitation providing webinar access information. Please request webinar invitations at least 24 hours in advance of each webinar.

*SEDAR address:* 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N. Charleston, SC 29405.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Julie A. Neer, SEDAR Coordinator; telephone: (843) 571-4366; email: [julie.neer@safmc.net](mailto:julie.neer@safmc.net).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils, in conjunction with NOAA Fisheries and the Atlantic and Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commissions, have implemented the Southeast Data, Assessment and Review (SEDAR) process, a multi-step method for determining the status of fish stocks in

the Southeast Region. SEDAR is a multi-step process including: (1) Data Workshop; and (2) a series of assessment webinars; and (3) Review Workshop. The product of the Data Workshop is a report which compiles and evaluates potential datasets and recommends which datasets are appropriate for assessment analyses. The product of the Assessment Webinar Process is a report which compiles and evaluates potential datasets and recommends which datasets are appropriate for assessment analyses; and describes the fisheries, evaluates the status of the stock, estimates biological benchmarks, projects future population conditions, and recommends research and monitoring needs. The assessment is independently peer reviewed at the Review Workshop. The product of the Review Workshop is a Summary documenting panel opinions regarding the strengths and weaknesses of the stock assessment and input data. Participants for SEDAR Workshops are appointed by the Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils and NOAA Fisheries Southeast Regional Office, Highly Migratory Species Management Division, and Southeast Fisheries Science Center. Participants include: Data collectors and database managers; stock assessment scientists, biologists, and researchers; constituency representatives including fishermen, environmentalists, and non-governmental organizations (NGOs); international experts; and staff of Councils, Commissions, and state and federal agencies.

The items of discussion in the Assessment Process webinars are as follows:

1. Using datasets and initial assessment analysis recommended from the Data Workshop, panelists will employ assessment models to evaluate stock status, estimate population benchmarks and management criteria, and project future conditions.
2. Panelists will recommend the most appropriate methods and configurations for determining stock status and estimating population parameters.

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notified of the intent to take final action to address the emergency.

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**Note:** The times and sequence specified in this agenda are subject to change.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

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**Tracey L. Thompson,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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### Fisheries of the South Atlantic; South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of a public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council will hold a meeting of its Snapper Grouper Advisory Panel (AP) in North Charleston, SC. The meeting is open to the public.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held from 1:30 p.m. until 5 p.m. on Monday, April 13, 2015 and from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Tuesday, April 14, 2015. A workshop on proposed Spawning Special Management Zones will be held in conjunction with the Snapper Grouper AP meeting on Monday, April 13, 2015, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

**ADDRESSES:**

*Meeting address:* The meeting will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn, 5265 International Blvd., N. Charleston, SC 29418; telephone: (843) 308-9330.

*Council address:* South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N. Charleston, SC 29405.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kim Iverson, Public Information Officer, South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, N. Charleston, SC 29405;

telephone: (843) 571-4366 or toll free: (866) SAFMC-10; fax: (843) 769-4520; email: [kim.iverson@safmc.net](mailto:kim.iverson@safmc.net).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Snapper Grouper Advisory Panel will receive an update on the status of various amendments to the Snapper Grouper Fishery Management Plan (FMP) and other amendments affecting the snapper grouper fishery. AP members will receive overviews and provide recommendations on the following amendments to the Snapper Grouper FMP: Regulatory Amendment 16 with options to modify the current seasonal closure for the commercial black sea bass pot fishery; Amendment 37 addressing management measures for multiple species; Regulatory Amendment 23 addressing measures for golden tilefish; the development of a Joint South Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico Amendment on South Florida Issues (yellowtail snapper, mutton snapper and black grouper); and Amendment 36 to establish Spawning Special Management Zones (SMZs). The AP will provide recommendations as appropriate. The AP will also review the draft System Management Plan for Marine Protected Areas (MPAs), Electronic Technology Plan, and the Joint South Atlantic and Gulf of Mexico Charterboat Electronic Reporting Amendment and provide recommendations as appropriate. The AP will receive updates on blueline tilefish management measures, the Council's Vision Blueprint for the Snapper Grouper Fishery, and address other business as necessary. A workshop to address proposed Spawning Special Management Zones through Amendment 36 to the Snapper Grouper Fishery Management Plan will also be held in conjunction with the AP meeting.

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