

Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) in 2015 Using Data through 2013. The Review Panel will review the soundness and reliability of the stock assessment results and conclusions for management use. The Council's Scientific and Statistical Committee will hold its 120th meeting to deliberate the results of the Tier 3 review and receive a presentation on the final stock assessment update as revised based on the Tier 3 panel recommendations. The SSC will make its determination of best available scientific information for the Council to consider in specifying Annual Catch Limits for the Territorial bottomfish fisheries. The Council will also convene a meeting of the Risk of Overfishing (denoted by P*) Working Group (P* WG) for the American Samoa, Guam and CNMI Bottomfish Fishery. The P* WG will review the P* dimensions and criteria, provide new scores (as appropriate), and recommend appropriate risk of overfishing levels. This will be the basis for the specification of Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC) levels for the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) to consider at its 121st meeting.

DATES: The Tier 3 Stock Assessment Peer-Review Panel will be on August 11 to 12, 2015. The 120th SSC meeting will be on September 16, 2015. The P* WG meeting will be on September 23 to 24, 2015. For specific times and agendas, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

ADDRESSES: The Tier 3 Stock Assessment Peer-Review Panel, P* WG meeting and 120th SSC meeting will be held at the Council office, 1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI 96813; telephone (808) 522-8220. WebEx and teleconference facilities will be provided for the P* WG meeting and the 120th SSC meeting for participants from American Samoa, Guam, and CNMI. The teleconference numbers are: U.S. toll-free: 1-888-482-3560 or International Access: +1 647 723-3959, and Access Code: 5228220; The web conference can be accessed at <https://wprfnc.webex.com/join/info.wpcouncilnoaa.gov>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director; telephone: (808) 522-8220.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Public comment periods will be provided. The order in which agenda items are addressed may change. The meetings will run as late as necessary to complete scheduled business.

Schedule and Agenda for the Tier 3 Stock Assessment Panel Review

August 11, 2015—9 a.m.—4 p.m.

1. Introduction
2. Background information
 - A. Objectives and Terms of Reference
 - B. Fishery Operation
 - C. Management
3. Review of Stock Assessment Update
4. Questions to presenters
5. Panel discussions (closed)

August 12, 2015—9 a.m.—4 p.m.

6. Panel discussions, continued (closed)
7. Present results of review and recommendations
8. Adjourn

Schedule and Agenda for the 120th SSC Meeting

September 16, 2015—1 p.m.—5 p.m.

1. Introductions
2. Approval of Draft Agenda and Assignment of Rapporteurs
3. Insular Fisheries
 - A. Report on the Tier 3 Panel Review of the Bottomfish Stock Assessment Updates for American Samoa, Guam, and CNMI
 - B. Report on the final Bottomfish Stock Assessment Updates for American Samoa, Guam, and CNMI
 - C. Public Comment
 - D. SSC Discussion and Recommendations
4. Other Business
 - A. 121st SSC Meeting
5. Summary of SSC Recommendations to the Council

Schedule and Agenda for the P* Working Group Meeting

September 23, 2015—1 p.m.—5 p.m.

1. Introductions
2. Recommendations from previous Council meetings
3. Overview of the P* process
4. State of the Science for the Territory Bottomfish
 - A. Report on the Tier 3 panel review comments
 - B. Report on 2015 draft Territorial Bottomfish stock assessment updates
5. Review of the P* Dimensions and Criteria
 - A. Assessment information
 - B. Uncertainty characterization
 - C. Stock status
 - D. Productivity and susceptibility
6. Public comment

September 24, 2015—1 p.m.—5 p.m.

7. Working group re-scoring session
 - A. Assessment information
 - B. Uncertainty characterization
 - C. Stock status

- D. Productivity and susceptibility
8. Discussion on potential changes to the P* dimensions and criteria
9. General Discussion
10. Public comment
11. Summary of scores and P* recommendations

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before these groups for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kitty M. Simonds, (808) 522-8220 (voice) or (808) 522-8226 (fax), at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council); Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (GMFMC) will hold meetings of the: Joint Administrative Policy and Budget/Personnel, Mackerel, Shrimp, Data Collection, and Reef Fish Management Committees; in conjunction with a meeting of the Full Council. The Council will also hold a formal public comment session.

DATES: The Council meeting will be held August 10-13, 2015. The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. on Monday,

August 10, 2015 and recess at 5 p.m. The meeting will reconvene at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, August 11, 2015 and recess at 5 p.m. The meeting will reconvene at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 12, 2015 and recess at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will convene on the final day at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, August 13, 2015 and adjourn by 3 p.m. or when business is complete.

ADDRESSES:

Meeting address: The meeting will be held at the Hilton Riverside hotel, Two Poydras Street, New Orleans, LA 70130; telephone: (504) 561-0500.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 North Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Douglas Gregory, Executive Director, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 348-1630; fax: (813) 348-1711; email: doug.gregory@gulfcouncil.org.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Council items of discussion for each individual management committee, and Council's agenda are as follows:

Monday, August 10, 2015, 8:30 a.m., Until 5 p.m.

8:30 a.m.–12 noon: Joint Administrative Policy and Budget/Personnel Committees

- Discuss Combining Administrative Policy and Budget/Personnel Committees
- Discuss Historical Performance of Council Scoping Meetings
- Review of Advisory Panel (AP) Staggered Terms
- Discuss Procedures for AP Appointments and Fishing Violations
- Review of Statement Organization Practices and Procedures (SOPPs) Revisions
- Review of Magnuson-Stevens Act (MSA) Reauthorization Bills
- Discuss Recent NOAA Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) 5-year Review Budget Enhancement

—Recess—

1:30 p.m.–3 p.m.: Mackerel Management Committee

- Joint Draft Options Paper for Coastal Migratory Pelagics (CMP) Amendment 26: Modifications to Allocations, Stock Boundaries, and Sale Provisions for Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic Migratory Groups of *King Mackerel*.
- Options Paper for CMP Amendment 28: Separating Permits for Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic Migratory Groups of *King Mackerel* and *Spanish Mackerel*.

3 p.m.–4 p.m.: Shrimp Management Committee

- Draft Options Paper for Shrimp Amendment 17—Addressing the Expiration of the Shrimp Permit Moratorium
- Other Business—Update on Changes in Turtle Excluder Devices (TED) Regulations in Louisiana

4 p.m.–5 p.m.: Data Collection Management Committee

- Review of Public Hearing Draft—Joint Electronic Charter Vessel Reporting Amendment

—Adjourn for the day—

Tuesday, August 11, 2015, 8:30 a.m. Until 5 p.m.

8:30 a.m.–5 p.m.: Reef Fish Management Committee

- Review Public Hearing Draft Amendment 39—Regional Management of Recreational *Red Snapper*
 - Updated Options Paper—Framework Action to Set *Gag* Recreational Season and *Gag* and *Black Grouper* Minimum Size Limits
 - Final Action—Amendment 28—*Red Snapper* Allocation
 - Final Action—Framework Action to Allow NMFS to Withhold a Portion of the Commercial *Red Snapper* Quota in 2016
 - Draft Framework Action—Modify Gear Restrictions for *Yellowtail Snapper*
 - Options Paper—Amendment 42—Federal Reef Fish Headboat Management
 - Options Paper—Amendment 41—Federal Charter-for-Hire *Red Snapper* Management
 - Discussion—Ad Hoc Private Recreational Advisory Panel
- Adjourn for the day—

Wednesday, August 12, 2015, 8:30 a.m. Until 11 a.m.: Council Session

- Call to Order, Announcements, and Introductions
- Induction of New Council Members
- Adoption of Agenda, Approval of Minutes, and Review of Exempted Fishing Permits (EFPs) Applications—*Lionfish* Trap Proposal
- Summary of the Council Coordination Committee meeting
- Review of White Paper Evaluating Potential Artificial Reef Siting Criteria in the Gulf of Mexico
- Receive committee report from the Joint Administrative Policy and Budget/Personnel Management Committee

—Recess—

The Council will receive public testimony from 1 p.m.–5:30 p.m.:

- Final Action on Reef Fish Amendment 28—*Red Snapper* Allocation
- Final Action on *Red Snapper* Commercial Quota Retention for 2016
- Open Testimony on any Other Fishery Issues or Concerns

People wishing to speak before the Council should complete a public comment card prior to the comment period.

—Adjourn for the day—

Thursday, August 13, 2015, 8:30 a.m.–3 p.m.: Council Session

- The Council will receive reports from the Mackerel, Shrimp, Reef Fish, and Data Collection Management Committees
 - Vote on Exempted Fishing Permits (EFPs), if any
 - Other Business
 - Election of Chair and Vice Chair
- Meeting Adjourns—

The timing and order in which agenda items are addressed may change as required to effectively address the issue. The latest version will be posted on the Council's file server, which can be accessed by going to the Council's Web site at <http://www.gulfcouncil.org> and clicking on FTP Server under Quick Links. For meeting materials, select the "Briefing Books/Briefing Book 2015-08" folder on Gulf Council file server. The username and password are both "gulfguest". The meetings will be webcast over the internet. A link to the webcast will be available on the Council's Web site, <http://www.gulfcouncil.org>.

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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 (SAFMC); Public Meetings

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

ACTION: The South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a public scoping meeting for Amendment 37 and Regulatory Amendment 23 to the Fishery Management Plan for the Snapper Grouper Fishery of the South Atlantic Region.

SUMMARY: The Council will hold a scoping meeting via webinar on August 10, 2015 to solicit public input on management actions affecting the snapper grouper fishery.

Snapper Grouper Amendment 37 (Hogfish)

The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission completed a stock assessment for hogfish in 2014 with data through 2012 (SEDAR 37 2014). The assessment took into account recent genetic evidence indicating that hogfish in the South Atlantic comprise two distinct stocks: Georgia through North Carolina (GA-NC) and Florida Keys & East Florida (FLK/EFL). Each assessment was then evaluated with regard to fishing level recommendations. The Council's Scientific and Statistical Committee developed catch level recommendations for the GA-NC stock using the Only Reliable Catch Stocks (ORCS) approach, as outlined in Level 4 of the Council's Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC) control rule. This approach is applied when there are not sufficient data on a stock or species to conduct a formal stock assessment. Consequently the approach relies only on landings data. For the FLK/EFL stock, the SSC considered the stock assessment to represent the best available science and recommended it for use in management. The assessment results indicate the FLK/EFL stock is undergoing

overfishing and is overfished and, therefore, in need of a rebuilding plan.

Amendment 37 would address specifying the boundary between the FLK/EFL stock, managed by the South Atlantic Council, and the West Florida stock, managed by the Gulf of Mexico Council. This demarcation is necessary to manage the stocks separately and to aid in enforcing regulations. Amendment 37 also includes actions to specify Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC), Annual Catch Limits (ACLs), Annual Catch Targets (ACTs), and Optimum Yield (OY) for both the NC-GA and FLK/EFL stocks, establish a rebuilding plan for the FLK/EFL stock, and implement or modify management measures for both stocks to attain the desired level of harvest.

Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 23 (Golden Tilefish, Black Sea Bass and the Jacks Complex)

Regulatory Amendment would include actions pertaining to management of the commercial golden tilefish fishery, recreational management measures for black sea bass, and commercial management measures for the Jacks Complex. The Council has indicated that the following items should be included in the amendment: (1) Modification to the fishing year start date for the hook-and-line component of the commercial golden tilefish fishery; (2) establishment of a commercial trip limit for the Jacks Complex; and (3) adjustment to the bag limit for black sea bass.

DATES: The scoping webinar will be held on Monday, August 10, 2015, beginning at 6 p.m. Registration is required. Information for registration, along with copies of the Scoping Documents for each amendment will be posted on the Council's Web site at www.safmc.net as it becomes available.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Myra Brouwer, Fishery Biologist, SAFMC; phone: (843) 571-4366 or toll free: (866) SAFMC-10; fax: (843) 769-4520; email: myra.brouwer@safmc.net.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: During the Webinar, Council staff will present an overview of each amendment and answer questions. Written comments may be mailed to Bob Mahood, Executive Director, SAFMC (see **ADDRESSES**); emailed to Mike.Collins@safmc.net (please indicate appropriate amendment in subject line); or faxed (see **ADDRESSES**). Comments on Amendment 37 and Regulatory

Amendment 23 will be accepted until 5 p.m. on August 17, 2015.

Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (see **ADDRESSES**) 3 days prior to the meeting.

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

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

Office of the Secretary

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Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary of Defense, DoD.

ACTION: Notice to alter a System of Records.

SUMMARY: The Office of the Secretary of Defense proposes to alter a system of records, DWHS E01 DoD, entitled "DoD Federal Docket Management System (DoD FDMS)." The purpose of this system of records is to permit the Department of Defense to identify individuals who have submitted comments in response to DoD rule making documents or notices so that communications or other actions, as appropriate and necessary, can be effected, such as a need to seek clarification of the comment, a direct response is warranted, and for such other needs as may be associated with the rule making or notice process.

DATES: Comments will be accepted on or before August 26, 2015. This proposed action will be effective the date following the end of the comment period unless comments are received which result in a contrary determination.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number and title, by any of the following methods:

* *Federal Rulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.

* *Mail:* Department of Defense, Office of the Deputy Chief Management Officer, Directorate of Oversight and Compliance, Regulatory and Audit Matters Office, 9010 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-9010.