DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
RIN 0648–XC694
South Atlantic Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Meeting of the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council.

SUMMARY: In addition to a Council Member Visioning Workshop, the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a joint meeting of the Ecosystem-Based Management Committee and Habitat & Environmental Protection Committee as well as meetings of the: Dolphin Wahoo Committee; Southeast Data, Assessment and Review Committee (partially CLOSED SESSION); Snapper Grouper Committee; King & Spanish Mackerel Committee; Advisory Panel Selection Committee (CLOSED SESSION); Scientific & Statistical Selection Committee (CLOSED SESSION); Law Enforcement Committee (CLOSED SESSION); Executive Finance Committee; Protected Resources Committee; Data Collection Committee; and a meeting of the Full Council. The Council will take action as necessary. The Council will also hold an informal public comment and formal public comment sessions.

DATES: The Council meeting will be held from 9 a.m. on Monday, June 10, 2013 until 1:30 p.m. on Friday, June 14, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Meeting address: The meeting will be held at the Hutchinson Island Marriott, 555 NE Ocean Boulevard, Stuart, FL 34996; telephone: (800) 775–5936 or (772) 225–3700; fax: (772) 225–7131.
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, SAFMC; telephone: (843) 571–4366 or toll free (866) SAFMC–10; fax: (843) 769–4520; email: kim.iverson@safmc.net.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The items of discussion in the individual meeting agendas are as follows:

Council Member Visioning Workshop Agenda, Monday, June 10, 2013, 9 a.m. Until 12 noon

1. Receive a recapitulation of the March 2013 Visioning Workshop.
2. Review the visioning decision document as well as the Snapper Grouper Fishery Management Plan (FMP) objectives.
3. Develop a Vision Statement and provide guidance to staff.

Joint Ecosystem-Based Management Committee and Habitat & Environmental Protection Committee Agenda, Monday, June 10, 2013, 1:30 p.m. Until 3 p.m.

1. Receive a report on the following Advisory Panel (AP) meetings: Coral AP; Habitat & Environmental Protection AP; and Deepwater Shrimp AP.
2. Review and discuss actions and alternatives in Coral Amendment 8, pertaining to Coral Habitat Areas of Particular Concern (HAPCs) and transit through the Oculina HAPC. Review and discuss spatial information on habitat mapping and fishery activity for modified Coral HAPC area alternatives. Provide guidance to staff and recommend approval of Coral Amendment 8 for public hearings.
3. Receive and discuss an update on ecosystem activities and provide guidance to staff.

Dolphin Wahoo Committee Agenda, Monday, June 10, 2013, 3 p.m. Until 4:30 p.m.

1. Receive and discuss updates on the status of commercial and recreational catches versus quotas.
2. Review and discuss comments from the Dolphin Wahoo AP meeting.
3. Review the decision document for Dolphin Wahoo Amendment 5, pertaining to bag limit sales of fish and changes to the Annual Catch Limit (ACL) and the Allowable Biological Catch (ABC). Discuss actions and alternatives to Amendment 5, select preferred alternatives and recommend approval of the amendment for public hearings.

Southeast Data, Assessment and Review (SEDAR) Committee Agenda, Monday, June 10, 2013, 4:30 p.m. Until 5:30 p.m. (Note: A Portion of This Meeting Will be CLOSED)

1. Receive a SEDAR activities update, review SEDAR Steering Committee recommendations and provide guidance to Committee members.
2. Receive an overview of the report and recommendations from the Only Reliable Catch Stocks (ORCS) Workshop.
3. Receive an overview of Council research prioritization and approve a research plan.
4. Develop recommendations for the following SEDAR projects: SEDAR 38 (King Mackerel) Schedule and Terms of Reference (TOR); SEDAR 32 (Gray Triggerfish and Blueline Tilefish) and SEDAR 36 (Snowy Grouper) TOR review; and participants for SEDAR 38 and SEDAR 36.

Note: There will be an informal public question and answer session with the NMFS Regional Administrator and the Council Chairman on Tuesday, June 11, 2013, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Snapper Grouper Committee Agenda, Tuesday, June 11, 2013, 8:30 a.m. Until 5 p.m. and Wednesday, June 12, 2013, 8:30 a.m. Until 12 noon

1. Receive and discuss the status of commercial and recreational catches versus ACLs.
2. Receive a report on total removals of red snapper in 2012 from United States South Atlantic waters.
3. Receive an update on the status of the following amendments under formal Secretarial review: Regulatory Amendment 13, pertaining to MRIP (Marine Recreational Information Program) adjustments; Regulatory Amendment 15, relating to Yellowtail Snapper, Gag Grouper and Red Snapper; Amendment 28, regarding the Red Snapper framework; Amendment 27, pertaining to the management authority, framework and crew size for Blue Runner; Regulatory Amendment 18, relating to Vermilion Snapper and Red Porgy; and Regulatory Amendment 19, pertaining to Black Sea Bass.
4. Receive updates on the Marine Resources Monitoring, Assessment and Prediction Program (MARMAP), the Southeast Area Monitoring and Assessment Program (SEAMAP) and the Southeast Fishery-Independent Survey (SEFIS) group.
5. Receive reports on the Snapper Grouper AP meeting and the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) meeting.
6. Receive an overview of Regulatory Amendment 14, relating to a multitude of species in the Snapper Grouper FMP, and Regulatory Amendment 16, pertaining to Golden Tilefish. Provide guidance to staff and recommend approval of the amendments for public hearings.
6. Receive an overview of the South Atlantic/Gulf of Mexico (Gulf) Mackerel Amendment 19, pertaining to permits and tournament sale requirements, and the Joint Mackerel Amendment 20, regarding boundaries and transit provisions; select preferred alternatives for the amendments; modify the amendments as appropriate; provide guidance to staff; and recommend approval of the amendments for public hearings.

5. Receive an overview of actions in the South Atlantic Mackerel Framework; select preferred alternatives; modify the amendment as appropriate; provide guidance to staff; and recommend approval of the amendments for public hearings.

Note: A formal public comment session will be held on Wednesday, June 12, 2013, beginning at 5:30 p.m. on Snapper Grouper Amendment 30, followed by comment on any other item on the Council agenda. The amount of time provided to individuals will be determined by the Chairman based on the number of individuals wishing to comment.

AP Selection Committee Agenda, Thursday, June 13, 2013, 8:30 a.m. Until 9:30 a.m. (Closed Session)

1. Review AP applications and develop recommendations for appointments and reappointments.
other workshop recommendations and take action as appropriate.
10–10:15 a.m.: The Council will receive a report from the King & Spanish Mackerel Committee and is scheduled to approve the following for public hearings: Mackerel Amendment 19; Mackerel Amendment 20; and South Atlantic Framework actions. The Council will consider other Committee recommendations and take action as appropriate.
10:15–10:30 a.m.: The Council will receive a report from the AP Selection Committee and is scheduled to approve Committee recommendations for the appointment/reappointment of AP members. The Council will consider other Committee recommendations and take action as appropriate.
10:30–10:45 a.m.: The Council will receive a report from the SSC Selection Committee and is scheduled to approve Committee recommendations for the appointment/reappointment of SSC members. The Council will consider other Committee recommendations and take action as appropriate.
10:45–11 a.m.: The Council will receive a report from the Law Enforcement Committee and will choose the Law Enforcement Officer of the Year. The Council will consider other Committee recommendations and take action as appropriate.
11–11:15 a.m.: The Council will receive a report from the Executive Finance Committee; will approve the Council Follow-up and Priorities recommendations; and will take action on the Florida Tarpon issue. The Council will consider other Committee recommendations and take action as appropriate.
11:15–11:30 a.m.: The Council will receive a report from the Protected Resources Committee and will consider Committee recommendations. The Council will take action as appropriate.
11:30–11:45 a.m.: The Council will receive a report from the Data Collection Committee and will consider Committee recommendations. The Council will take action as appropriate.
11:45–1:30 p.m.: The Council will receive presentations and status reports from the NOAA Southeast Regional Office (SERO) and the NMFS SEFSC, including the status of Shrimp Amendment 9, which would expedite the closure process during severe cold events in order to protect overwintering shrimp populations and would revise the Minimum Stock Size Threshold (MSST) proxy for Pink Shrimp. The Council will review and develop recommendations on Experimental Fishing Permits as necessary; review agency and liaison reports; and discuss other business, including upcoming meetings. The Council will also hold a Closed Session to address litigation if necessary.
Documents regarding these issues are available from the Council office (see ADDRESSES).
Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management 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 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.
Dated: May 20, 2013.
Tracey L. Thompson,
Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
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New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice; public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a joint public meeting of its Groundfish Committee and Habitat Committee to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

DATES: This meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 11, 2013 at 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES: Meeting address: The meeting will be held at the Providence Biltmore, 11 Dorrance Street, Providence, RI 02903; telephone: (401) 421–0700; fax: (401) 455–3040.

Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465–0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Habitat and Groundfish Committee’s will identify and recommend Omnibus EFH Amendment 2 draft management alternatives for Council approval, based on analyses and recommendations of technical teams and the public. At the June 18–20, 2013 Council meeting, the Council is scheduled to approve draft alternatives for inclusion and analysis in the Draft Omnibus EFH Amendment 2 Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). The Council may identify preferred alternatives at a later date, before taking the DEIS out to public hearing. Other business may be discussed as necessary.

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Special Accommodations
This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, at (978) 465–0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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