

increase trip efficiency. Finally, the amendment proposes to require sale of all commercially harvested snapper grouper, which would improve reporting accuracy and promote commercial snapper grouper permits to be solely used to harvest fish for sale.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to the council office (see **ADDRESSES**) 5 days prior to the meeting.

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

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

Dated: July 14, 2026.

Rey Israel Marquez,

Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[RTID 0648-XF867]

Endangered Species; File No. 29736

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

ACTION: Notice; receipt of application.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that Katrina Phillips, Ph.D., Dauphin Island Sea Lab 101, Bienville Blvd., Dauphin Island, AL 36528, has applied in due form for a permit to take loggerhead (*Caretta caretta*), green (*Chelonia mydas*), Kemp's ridley (*Lepidochelys kempii*), hawksbill (*Eretmochelys imbricata*), and leatherback (*Dermochelys coriacea*) sea turtles for purposes of scientific research.

DATES: Written comments must be received on or before August 17, 2026.

ADDRESSES: The application and related documents are available for review by selecting "Records Open for Public Comment" from the "Features" box on the Applications and Permits for Protected Species home page, <https://apps.nmfs.noaa.gov>, and then selecting File No. 29736 from the list of available applications. These documents are also available upon written request via email to NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov.

Written comments on this application should be submitted via email to NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov. Please include File No. 29736 in the subject line of the email comment.

Those individuals requesting a public hearing should submit a written request via email to NMFS.Pr1Comments@noaa.gov. The request should set forth the specific reasons why a hearing on this application would be appropriate.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Amy Hapeman or Erin Markin, Ph.D., (301) 427-8401.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The subject permit is requested under the authority of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (ESA; 16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the regulations governing the taking, importing, and exporting of endangered and threatened species (50 CFR parts 222-226).

The applicant proposes to study juvenile, subadult, and adult sea turtle demography and distribution in the northern Gulf of America. Researchers would capture up to 60 green, 7 hawksbill, 60 Kemp's ridley, 40 loggerhead, and 1 leatherback sea turtles by tangle and dip net annually. Researchers would perform the following procedures on sea turtles prior to their release: epibiota removal; flipper tag; passive integrated transponder tag; biologically sample (skin swab, blood, scute, fecal, and skin biopsy); measure; weigh; and photograph/video. A subset of green, Kemp's ridley, and loggerhead sea turtles may receive a transmitter attachment. The permit is requested for 10 years.

Dated: July 14, 2026.

Larissa Plants,

Acting Deputy Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Gulf Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

ACTION: Notice; public hearings and webinars.

SUMMARY: The Gulf Fishery Management Council (Gulf Council) will hold two public hearings via webinar to solicit public comments on For-Hire Electronic Reporting.

DATES: The public hearing webinars will take place Thursday, August 13 and

Monday, August 17, 2026. The webinars will begin at 6 p.m. EDT and will conclude no later than 8 p.m. EDT. For specific dates and times, see

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION. Written public comments must be received on or before 5 p.m. EDT on August 17, 2026.

ADDRESSES: Please visit the Gulf Council website at <https://www.gulfcouncil.org> for meeting materials and webinar registration information.

Meeting addresses: The public hearings will be held via virtual webinars. For dates and times see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** below.

Council address: Gulf Fishery Management Council, 4107 W Spruce Street, Suite 200, Tampa, FL 33607; telephone: (813) 348-1630.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Emily Muehlstein; Public Information Officer; emily.muehlstein@gulfcouncil.org, Gulf Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 348-1630.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The agenda for the virtual public hearings is as follows: Council staff will begin with a brief presentation on the Generic Amendment to modify the Reef Fish and Coastal Migratory Pelagic Fishery Management Plans to Modify the Gulf For-Hire Data Collection Program. The Amendment considers defining a mechanism and timing for for-hire data reporting, requiring trip notification and effort reporting, and establishing economic reporting for for-hire vessels.

Staff and a Council member will be available to answer any questions, and the public will have the opportunity to provide testimony on the amendment and other related testimony.

Scheduled Webinars:

Thursday, August 13, 2026; via webinar
Monday, August 17, 2026; via webinar

Visit <https://www.gulfcouncil.org> website and click on the "meetings and public hearings" tab for registration information. After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

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

Dated: July 14, 2026.

Rey Israel Marquez,

Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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