

**Recommendations from August 29-30, 2001 Multi-Advisory
Panel Meeting on Marine Protected Areas**

North Carolina Site 1:

Snapper Grouper AP:

- Move entire box 5 miles to the east in order to try to run it along the break
- 5 year sunset
- Type 2

Wreckfish AP:

- Move eastern boundary or entire box
- Type 2

Law Enforcement AP"

- Would prefer a NS/EW orientation
- No transit
- Additional funding
- Along lat/long
- No possession of prohibited species

Coral AP:

- Western boundary be retained as is
- Extend the eastern boundary
- Type 2

Habitat AP:

- Leave the western boundary as is
- Enlarge it to the east
- Type 1

MPA AP:

- Move the eastern boundary 5 miles
- Type 2

North Carolina Site 2:

Snapper Grouper AP:

- Move out of transit area
- Buoy off
- Possibly move it W or SW 5 miles
- Type 1

Wreckfish AP:

- Box should stand
- Type 2

Coral AP:

- No consensus has been reached

Habitat AP:

- Be approved as type 1

MPA AP:

- Leave the site
- Ensure enough hard bottom to make comparison
- Type 1

South Carolina Sites N3 and N4:

Snapper Grouper:

- Give priority to N4
- Leave NE corner where it is rotate box,
- This will have less of an economic impact than N3
- 5 year sunset
- type 2

Wreck fish AP:

- Retain N4
- Drop N3
- Type 2

Coral AP:

- N4 as priority
- Higher abundance and more diverse
- Type 2
- If N3 is retained it should be rotated 90 degrees to maximize habitat protection

Habitat AP:

- Preference for N4 over N3 based on higher biodiversity and less economic impact
- Should be enlarged to 100 square miles and reoriented
- 10-3 voted for Type I
- 8-5 voted for Type 2 in a different vote

MPA AP:

- N4 over N3
- If N3 is modified it may end up being better

South Carolina Sites S-3, C-3, Georgia Site G-2 and the Charleston Bump:

Snapper Grouper:

- Delete the Charleston Bump
- Recommend C-3 but orientated on a N-S basis or move whole box out 5 miles
- Sunset provision
- Type 2

Habitat AP:

- Recommend that C-3 be expanded to 100 square miles by doubling it in the south
- Type 1
- G-2/S-3 there should be an MPA in that general location
- Up to 100 square miles with expansion to the west
- The Charleston Bump should not be a priority at this time

Wreckfish AP:

- C-3 should be retained as recommended
- Type 2
- G-2/S-3 it is recommended that the new boundary be moved so that S-3 completely takes in G-2
- Type 2
- Charleston Bump should be dropped

Coral:

- High priority for C-3
- Lower priority for G-2/S-3 but it should extend farther to the east
- Charleston Bump is high priority because of unique habitat

Law Enforcement:

- Combine G-2/S-3
- Drop the Charleston Bump because of distance

MPA AP:

- C-3 as is
- Type 2
- G-2/S-3, do away with S-3 and move G-2 to the NW
- No priority to the Charleston Bump

Florida Site F-6:

Has been tabled due to lack of information

Florida Sites EORR, F-9, and Sea Bass Rocks (formerly Hobe Sound Bars):

Snapper Grouper AP:

- EORR remain type 2
- Additional 10 year sunset
- F-9 is too small and should be dropped
- Sea bass rocks should be a type 2
- Sunset provision

Wreckfish:

- Maintain EORR
- Type 2
- Delete F-9
- Retain Sea Bass Rocks
- Type 2

Coral AP:

- Maintain EORR
- Type 1
- High priority to Sea Bass Rocks
- Type 2
- F-9 should have lower priority

Law Enforcement:

- F-9 is too small

Habitat AP:

- EORR to be Type 1
- Not recommending F-9 as a priority
- Sea Bass Rocks should be a Type 1 MPA

MPA AP:

- Drop F-9
- Maintain EORR
- Type 2
- Sea Bass Rocks should be a Type 2

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Snapper Grouper AP:

- Approximately as drawn on charts (revised during meeting)
- Type 2
- Sunset

Wreckfish AP:

- As drawn on charts (revised during meeting)
- Type 2

Coral AP:

- High Priority
- Final boundaries should be moved to include 49 fathom pinnacles with boundary along the 80°30' line
- Type 2

Law Enforcement:

- Must be 5x 10

Habitat:

- As drawn on charts (revised during meeting)
- With extension as suggested by Coral AP
- Type 1

MPA AP:

- As drawn on charts (revised during meeting)

➤ Type 2