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DRAFT AGENDA SCIENTIFIC AND STATISTICAL COMMITTEE Sheraton Atlantic Beach **December 6 - 8, 2009**

The Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) meetings will be held concurrently with the Council committee meetings.

Sunday, December 6, 2009 ---- 3:00 P.M to 6:00 P.M.

1. Introduction (**Attachments 1-2**)
 - A. Approval of Agenda
 - B. Approval of June 2009 Minutes
 - C. Approval of October 2009 Minutes
2. SEDAR Activities (**Attachments 2-7**)
 - A. Overview – John Carmichael
 - B. ACTION:
 - Review and Approve Schedules
 - Review and Approve Terms of Reference
 - Nominate SSC and other participants

Report to Council: Snapper-Grouper Committee, 9:30 am Thursday, December 10

3. FMP Updates (**Attachments 8 - 10**)
 - A. Overview – SAFMC Staff
4. King Mackerel (**Attachment 18**)
 - A. Overview: Gregg Waugh
 - B. ACTION: Review analyses and options and data needs

Report to Council: Mackerel Committee, 1:30 pm Tuesday, December 8

5. Review Recommendations and Consensus Statements for Items 1-4

Monday, December 7, 2009 --- 8:30 A.M to 6:00 P.M.

NOTE: Lionfish Presentation : 10:00 am

Lionfish biology and assessment – James Morris, NOS Beaufort

NOTE: Coral Presentation : 10:30 am

Coral Fisheries and Biology – Mark Robson, FL FWC

6. Snapper-Grouper 17A (**Attachments 23-26**)
 - A. Overview – Rick DeVictor
 - B. Presentation: Area Evaluations – Nick Farmer, SERO
 - C. Presentation: Updated Analyses – Erik Williams, SEFSC
 - D. ACTION:
 - Review analyses, data needs, and range of options
 - Review updated projections and sensitivities

Report to Council: Snapper-Grouper Committee, 2:30 pm Tuesday, December 8

7. Snapper-Grouper 17B (**Attachments 19-22**)
 - A. Overview – Rick DeVictor
 - B. ACTION:
 - Review analyses, data needs, and range of options

Report to Council: Snapper-Grouper Committee, 8:30 am Wednesday, December 9

8. Comprehensive ACL Amendment (**Attachments 27 – 32**)
 - A. Overview – SAFMC Staff
 - B. Presentation: Species Groupings – Nick Farmer, SERO
 - C. Presentation: National SSC Meeting – Carolyn Belcher
 - D. ACTION:
 - Review analyses, data needs, and range of options
 - Provide fishing level recommendations for dolphin-wahoo
 - Consider application of ABC control rule to data poor stocks

Report to Council: Dolphin Wahoo Committee, 11:00 am Tuesday December 8

Report to Council: Snapper-Grouper Committee, 9:30 am Thursday December 10

9. Corals and CEBA 2 (**Attachments 34-39**)
 - A. Overview – Myra Brouwer
 - D. ACTION:
 - Review analyses, data needs, and range of options
 - Provide fishing level recommendations for coral

Report to Council: Ecosystem Management Committee, 8:30 am Tuesday December 8

10. Review Recommendations and Consensus Statements for Items 6-9

Tuesday, December 8, 2009 --- 8:30 A.M to 5:00 P.M.

11. Snapper Grouper Amendment 18 (**Attachments 11-12**)

- A. Overview – Kate Quigley
- B. ACTION: Review evaluations and values

Report to Council: Snapper-Grouper Committee, 1:30 pm Wednesday, December 9

12. Snapper Grouper Amendment 20 (**Attachments 13-14**)

- A. Overview – Kate Quigley
- B. ACTION:
 - Review analyses, data needs, and range of options
 - Provide fishing level recommendations
 - Suggest additional evaluation

Report to Council: Snapper-Grouper Committee, 1:30 am Wednesday, December 9

13. Golden Crab Amendment 5 (**Attachments 15-17**)

- A. Overview: Kate Quigley
- B. ACTION:
 - Review analyses, data needs, and range of options
 - Provide fishing level recommendations
 - Suggest additional evaluations

Report to Council: Next Meeting, March 2010

14. Lionfish (**Attachment 33**)

- A. Action:
 - Review and Discuss Lionfish assessment and data issues

Report to Council: Council Session, 1:30 pm Thursday, December 10

15. Information Updates (**Attachments 40-41**)

- A. Fishery Bulletins
- B. Prager and Shertzer 2009; OFL and ABC methods

16. Future Meeting Dates

17. Other Business

18. Review Recommendations and Consensus Statements for Items 11-17

19. Final Report Preparation

12. Adjourn

SSC Document List

- Attachment 1. June 2009 SSC Minutes
- Attachment 2. October 2009 SSC and Selection Committee Minutes
- Attachment 3. SEDAR 19 Schedule
- Attachment 4. Uncertainty Workshop Info
- Attachment 5. South Atlantic Updates Info
- Attachment 6. Spiny Lobster Updates Info
- Attachment 7. SEDAR Planning Schedule
- Attachment 8. Amendment 15B Final Rule
- Attachment 9. Amendment 16 Final Rule
- Attachment 10. Comprehensive Ecosystem Based Amendment 1
- Attachment 11. Amendment 18 Public Hearing Summary
- Attachment 12. Amendment 18 Public Hearing Draft and Appendices
- Attachment 13. Wreckfish ITQ Review
- Attachment 14. BLANK
- Attachment 15. Golden Crab Criteria Options Paper
- Attachment 16. Golden Crab Catch Shares Report
- Attachment 17. Golden Crab Amendment 5 Draft
- Attachment 18. Mackerel Decision Document
- Attachment 19: Amendment 17B Public Hearing Summary
- Attachment 20: Amendment 17B AM Summary
- Attachment 21: Amendment 17B Draft and Appendices
- Attachment 22: Tilefish and Gag update
- Attachment 23: Amendment 17A Public Hearing summary
- Attachment 24: Amendment 17A Public Hearing Draft and Appendices
- Attachment 25: Additional Red Snapper Analyses Package
- Attachment 26: Amendment 17A Area closure evaluation spreadsheet
- Attachment 27: Comprehensive ACL Amend Options
- Attachment 28: Comprehensive Amendment Draft
- Attachment 29: Species Groupings Evaluation
- Attachment 30: ABC Control Rule
- Attachment 31: National SSC Briefing Materials
- Attachment 32: Dolphin-Wahoo Decision Document and Data Update
- Attachment 33, 33a: Lionfish Documents
- Attachment 34: Coral AP Recommendations
- Attachment 35: CE-BA 2 Options Paper
- Attachment 36: Octocoral and Liverock harvest (2000-2009)
- Attachment 37: Octocoral Literature Summary
- Attachment 38: Additional info on octocorals
- Attachment 39: Background Documents
- Attachment 40: Fishery Bulletins
- Attachment 41: Prager and Shertzer 2009 OFL and ABC