

Ecosystem Component species and provide guidance to staff.

**Formal Public Comment, Wednesday, June 12, 2019, 4 p.m.**—Public comment will be accepted on items on the Council meeting agenda scheduled to be approved for Secretarial Review: Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 30 (red grouper) and the Gulf Council's Carry Over Amendment (CMP & Spiny Lobster), and consideration of requesting emergency action to increase the Atlantic Group king mackerel commercial trip limit. Public comment will also be accepted on all agenda items. The Council Chair, based on the number of individuals wishing to comment, will determine the amount of time provided to each commenter.

**SEDAR Committee, Thursday, June 13, 2019, 8:30 a.m. Until 9:30 a.m. (Partially Closed Session)**

1. The Committee will discuss appointments to upcoming SEDAR assessments and provide recommendations for Council consideration. (Closed Session)

2. The Committee will receive an Assessment Activities update, a report from the SSC, and an overview of the Research and Monitoring Plan, discuss and take action as necessary.

**Committee of the Whole, Thursday, June 13, 2019, 9:30 a.m. Until 2:30 p.m.**

1. The Committee of the Whole will receive a presentation on the management history of sector allocations by the Council, discuss and take action as needed.

2. The Committee of the Whole will review the draft Allocation Review Trigger Policy, provide guidance to staff, and take action as needed.

**Mackerel Cobia Committee, Thursday, June 13, 2019, 2:30 p.m. Until 3:30 p.m.**

1. The Committee will receive an update on the status of commercial and recreational catches versus ACLs and the status of amendments under formal Secretarial review.

2. The Committee will receive a report from the Mackerel Cobia Advisory Panel, consider recommendations and take action as appropriate.

3. The Committee will discuss possible emergency action to increase the Atlantic king mackerel commercial trip limit and develop recommendations for Council consideration.

4. The Committee will receive an overview of Framework Amendment 8 to the Coastal Migratory Pelagic FMP addressing king mackerel commercial trip limits in Season 2 in the Atlantic

Southern Zone and consider approving for public scoping.

5. The Committee will receive an update on previous considerations to address Spanish mackerel closures in the Atlantic Northern Zone, discuss management options, and take action as needed.

**Council Session: Thursday, June 13, 2019, 4 p.m. Until 5:30 p.m. and Friday, June 14, 2019, 8:30 a.m. Until 1 p.m. (Partially Closed Session if Needed)**

The Full Council will begin with the Call to Order, adoption of the agenda, and approval of minutes.

The Council will receive a Legal Briefing on Litigation from NOAA General Counsel (if needed) during Closed Session. The Council will receive staff reports including the Executive Director's Report, updates on the MyFishCount pilot project, the Council's Citizen Science Program, and an update from the April 2019 meeting of the Atlantic Large Whale Take Reduction Team.

Updates will be provided by NOAA Fisheries including a report on the status of commercial and recreational catches versus ACLs for species not covered during an earlier committee meeting, data-related reports, protected resources updates, update on the status of the Commercial Electronic Logbook Program, and the status of the Marine Recreational Information Program (MRIP) conversions for recreational fishing estimates. The Council will discuss and take action as necessary. The Council will review any Exempted Fishing Permits received as necessary.

The Council will receive committee reports from the Snapper Grouper, Mackerel Cobia, Spiny Lobster, SSC Selection, SEDAR, AP Selection, Dolphin Wahoo, Committee of the Whole, SOPPs, Personnel, and Executive Finance Committees, and take action as appropriate.

The Council will also receive a presentation from NOAA Fisheries Highly Migratory Species (HMS) Division on actions currently being considered for sharks and bluefin tuna, and a presentation on management within the Biscayne National Park and take action as appropriate.

The Council will receive agency and liaison reports; and discuss other business and upcoming meetings and take action as necessary.

Documents regarding these issues are available from the Council office (see **ADDRESSES**).

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action during this meeting. 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**) 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: May 6, 2019.

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

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**Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Public Meetings**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold public meetings of the Council and its Committees.

**DATES:** The meetings will be held Tuesday, June 4, 2019 through Thursday, June 6, 2019. For agenda details, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**ADDRESSES:**

**Meeting address:** The meeting will be held at the Yotel New York, 570 Tenth Ave (at W 42nd), New York, NY 10036, telephone: (646) 449-7700.

**Council address:** Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N. State St., Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674-2331.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christopher M. Moore, Ph.D. Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council; telephone: (302) 526-5255. The Council's website, [www.mafmc.org](http://www.mafmc.org) also has details on the meeting location, proposed agenda,

webinar listen-in access, and briefing materials.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The following items are on the agenda, though agenda items may be addressed out of order (changes will be noted on the Council's website when possible.)

#### Tuesday, June 4, 2019

##### *Atlantic Surfclam and Ocean Quahog 2020 Specifications Review*

Review Advisory Panel, SSC, and staff recommendations for 2020 specifications and recommend any changes if necessary.

##### *Atlantic Surfclam and Ocean Quahog Catch Share Program Review*

Review public comments received, approve program review and submit to NOAA Fisheries, and review recommendations from the Oversight Team and discuss next steps.

##### *Atlantic Surfclam and Ocean Quahog Excessive Shares*

Review and approve Excessive Shares Public Hearing Document.

##### *Atlantic Surfclam Research for Great South Channel Habitat Management Area*

Update on progress to date.

##### *Unmanaged Species Landings Update*

Review commercial landings of unmanaged species and Mid-Atlantic Council ecosystem component species.

##### *SSC Overfishing Limit Coefficient of Variation Guidelines*

Review and approve OFL CV guidance document.

##### *NMFS Northeast Regional Strategic Plan*

#### Wednesday, June 5, 2019

##### *Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish 2020 Specifications*

Review Advisory Panel, SSC and/or staff recommendations for 2020 specifications, including butterfish and river herring/shad caps; review the 2019 River Herring/Shad cap and the current mackerel closures and consider any actions for in-season adjustments or other modifications.

##### *Illex Working Group Update*

Review Working Group progress.

##### *Ricks E Savage Award*

##### *Illex Permitting and Mackerel, Squid, and Butterfish Fishery Management Plan Goals Amendment*

Review scoping comments and approve scope of alternatives for further development.

##### *Overview of NEFSC Fishery Management and Research Division 2020–24 Strategic Plan*

Review stakeholder survey results, Advisory Panel feedback, and public meeting comments.

#### Thursday, June 6, 2019

##### *Atlantic Large Whale Take Reduction Team Report*

##### *Business Session*

Committee Reports (SSC); Executive Director's Report (upcoming HMS actions); Organization Reports; and, Liaison Reports.

##### *Continuing and New Business*

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Dated: May 6, 2019.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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### Fisheries of the Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic; Southeast Data, Assessment, and Review (SEDAR); Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice of SEDAR 64 data webinar II for Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic yellowtail snapper.

**SUMMARY:** The SEDAR 64 assessment process of Gulf of Mexico and South Atlantic yellowtail snapper will consist of a Data Workshop, and a series of assessment webinars, and a Review Workshop. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**DATES:** The SEDAR 64 data webinar II will be held May 29, 2019, from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Eastern Time.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held via webinar. The webinar is open to members of the public. Those interested in participating should contact Julie A. Neer at SEDAR (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) to request an invitation providing webinar access information. Please request webinar invitations at least 24 hours in advance of each webinar.

**SEDAR address:** 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, North Charleston, SC 29405.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Julie A. Neer, SEDAR Coordinator; (843) 571–4366; email: [Julie.neer@safmc.net](mailto:Julie.neer@safmc.net).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils, in conjunction with NOAA Fisheries and the Atlantic and Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commissions have implemented the Southeast Data, Assessment and Review (SEDAR) process, a multi-step method for determining the status of fish stocks in the Southeast Region. SEDAR is a multi-step process including: (1) Data Workshop, (2) a series of assessment webinars, and (3) A Review Workshop. The product of the Data Workshop is a report that compiles and evaluates potential datasets and recommends which datasets are appropriate for assessment analyses. The assessment webinars produce a report that describes the fisheries, evaluates the status of the stock, estimates biological benchmarks, projects future population conditions, and recommends research and monitoring needs. The product of the Review Workshop is an Assessment Summary documenting panel opinions regarding the strengths and weaknesses of the stock assessment and input data. Participants for SEDAR Workshops are appointed by the Gulf of Mexico, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils and NOAA Fisheries Southeast Regional Office, HMS Management Division, and Southeast Fisheries Science Center. Participants include data collectors and database managers; stock assessment