

October 12, the Executive Committee will meet from 8:30 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. The Council will convene at 9:30 a.m. Swearing in of the new Council member will be from 9:30 a.m. until 9:45 a.m. From 9:45 a.m. until 11 a.m., SMB Amendment 14 DEIS Alternatives will be discussed. From 11 a.m. until 12 p.m., the Council will receive a Standardized Bycatch Reporting Methodology (SBRM) Report. Amendment 17 to the Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass Fishery Management Plan (FMP) will be discussed from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. From 3 p.m. until 4:30 p.m., Spiny Dogfish Specifications will be approved as a Committee of the Whole. From 4:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m., there will be a Scoping Presentation on Consolidation of the Highly Migratory Species (HMS) FMP. On Thursday, October 13, the Council will convene at 8:30 a.m. The RSA Program Review Report will be heard from 8:30 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. From 9:30 a.m. until 1 p.m., the Council will conduct its regular Business Session, receive Organizational Reports, Council Liaison Reports, Executive Director's Report, Science Report, Committee Reports, and any continuing and/or new business.

Agenda items by day for the Council's Committees and the Council itself are: On Tuesday, October 11, the RSA Committee will review the staff evaluation of the RSA Program and recommend changes to the RSA Program to address scientific and administrative issues. The SMB Committee will review Amendment 14 analyses and develop recommendations for preferred alternatives. On Wednesday, October 12, the Executive Committee will meet in a closed session to discuss the Ricks E Savage Award followed by the Council convening to swear in the new Council member. The Council will approve the SMB Amendment 14 document for public hearings. Dr. Paul Rago of NMFS will provide the Council with a report of the 3-year SBRM review. The Council will review draft alternatives of Amendment 17 to the Summer Flounder, Scup, and Black Sea Bass FMP to address spatial/regional management of the recreational black sea bass fishery. The Spiny Dogfish Committee will meet as a Committee of the Whole to review the SSC and the Spiny Dogfish Monitoring Committee recommendations for 2012 and adopt the recommendations for 2012 management measures. There will be a NMFS Scoping Presentation on the Consolidated HMS FMP. On Thursday, October 13, the Council will convene to discuss and adopt recommended

changes to the RSA Program. The Council will hold its regular Business Session to approve the August 2011 minutes and address any outstanding actions from the August 2011 meeting, Organizational Reports, Liaison Reports, the Executive Director's Report, the Science Report, Committee Reports, and any continuing and/or new business.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aid should be directed to M. Jan Saunders, (302) 526-5251 at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Council to convene public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council will convene a meeting of the Reef Fish Advisory Panel.

DATES: The meeting will convene at 1 p.m. on Thursday, October 13, 2011 and conclude by 12 p.m. on Friday, October 14, 2011.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 North Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607.

Council address: Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 N. Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Steven Atran, Population Dynamics Statistician; Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; *telephone:* (813) 348-1630.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Reef Fish Advisory Panel (AP) will review actions by the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) which meets immediately prior to the AP meeting.

The AP will also receive presentations from representatives of the SSC on how acceptable biological catch is set, and on how stock assessments are done. The AP will then review presentations on update assessments for vermilion snapper and gray triggerfish, and will make recommendations on management of those stocks. The AP will also review draft Reef Fish Amendment 35, which contains actions to modify the rebuilding plan and management measures for greater amberjack. The AP will also discuss red snapper issues relating to the five year review of the red snapper individual fishing quota program, and to the data collection programs for the recreational red snapper fishery.

Copies of the agenda and other related materials can be obtained by calling (813) 348-1630 or can be downloaded from the Council's ftp site, *ftp.gulfcouncil.org*.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agenda may come before the Advisory Panel for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Actions of the Advisory Panel will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda 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 action to address the emergency.

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