

Council Agenda
Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council

The Hollywood Hotel
Cypress Cove C
Bay St. Louis, Mississippi
January 28-29, 2009

Wednesday, January 28, 2009

- I. Call to Order and Introductions – Mcllwain
(1:00 p.m. – 1:05 p.m.)
- II. Adoption of Agenda ¹ (**Tab A, No. 4**) – Mcllwain
(1:05 p.m. – 1:10 p.m.)
- III. Approval of Minutes (**Tab A, No. 5**) – Mcllwain
(1:10 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.)
- IV. Public Testimony ^{2,3} - Mcllwain
 - a. Exempted Fishing Permits (EFP) (if any)
 - b. Final Aquaculture FMP
 - c. Final Reef Fish Amendment 29
 - d. Open Public Comment Period ^{2,4} – Mcllwain
(1:15 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.)
- V. Committee Reports
 - a. Joint Reef Fish/Mackerel/Red Drum (**Tab J**) – Foote/Minton/Teehan
(5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.)

- Recess –

¹ The established times for addressing items on the Council and committee agendas, except for those setting times for public testimony or open public comment, may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the timely completion of discussion relevant to the agenda items. Such adjustments may result in the meeting being extended from, or completed prior to the date established by these agendas.

² Persons wishing to testify for either public testimony or open public comment must turn in a registration card before the beginning of the public testimony period; otherwise persons wishing to testify may be denied. One card must be completed for each issue on which persons wish to testify.

³ Persons wishing Council members to have copies of written testimony or information should provide 30 copies to staff for distribution to members. All written information shall include a statement of the source and date of such information. Any oral or written statement shall include a brief description of the background and interests of the person testifying.

⁴ The Council has set aside this time for open public comment regarding any fishery issue or concern. People wishing to speak before the Council should complete a public comment card, making sure to check the box marked *Open Public Comment*. A note about open public comment: In the interest of giving everyone an opportunity to speak, speakers are asked to limit comments to three minutes. If your sentiments are reflected in comments made by others, please state so and allow the next speaker to address the Council. Individuals may be asked to reduce speaking time even further in order to accommodate all those who wish to speak. **The open public comment period will end no later than the time scheduled on the agenda regardless of the number of persons**

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- V. Committee Reports (**CONTINUED**)
 - b. Ad Hoc Allocation (**Tab F**) – Morris
 - c. Reef Fish Management (**Tab B**) – Minton
 - d. Mackerel Management (**Tab C**) - Teehan
 - e. Joint SSC Selection/Administrative Policy (**Tab E**) – Simpson/Morris
 - f. SEDAR Selection (**Tab G**) – McIlwain
 - g. Shrimp Management (**Tab D**) - Perret
 - h. Habitat Protection (**Tab I**) – Hendrix
 - i. Sustainable Fisheries/Ecosystem (**Tab K**) - Gill

(8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon)
(1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.)

- VI. Review/Approval of SAFMC Comprehensive Ecosystem-Based Amendment (**Tab L**) – McIlwain
(4:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.)

- VII. Other Business (**Tab L**) – McIlwain
 - a. Written Reports, See Tabs Q, R, S & T
 - b. Other Items

(4:45 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.)

- Adjourn –

Following Meeting:

April 13-16, 2009

The W Hotel

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