

GULF STATES MARINE FISHERIES COMMISSION

73rd ANNUAL MEETING



OCTOBER 16 - 19, 2022

**SAN ANTONIO MARRIOTT RIVERWALK
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS**

**Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission
73rd Annual Meeting**

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday, October 16, 2022

Room

3:00pm – 5:00pm Early Registration **Alamo Ballroom Foyer EF**

Monday, October 17, 2022

Room

8:00am – 5:00pm Registration **Alamo Ballroom Foyer EF**

8:30am – 5:00pm TCC Data Management Subcommittee
Steve Brown, Chairman **Alamo Ballroom Salon EF**

8:30am – 12:00pm TCC Crab Subcommittee
Ryan Gandy, Chairman **Alamo Ballroom Salon D**

8:30am – 12:00pm TCC SEAMAP Subcommittee
Ted Switzer, Chairman **Bowie**

9:00am – 4:00pm Reef Fish Extension Advisory Panel Meeting
Marcus Drymon, Chairman **Travis**

1:00pm – 5:00pm S/FFMC Menhaden Advisory Committee
Trevor Moncrief, Chairman **Bowie**

1:00pm – 5:00pm TCC Molluscan Shellfish Subcommittee
Evan Pettis, Chairman **Alamo Ballroom Salon D**

5:30pm – 7:30pm Lyles-Simpson Award Dinner **River Terrace Room**

Tuesday, October 18, 2022

Room

8:00am – 5:00pm Registration **Alamo Ballroom Foyer EF**

8:30am – 5:00pm GSMFC Law Enforcement Committee/
GMFMC Law Enforcement Technical Committee
Scott Pearce, Chairman **Alamo Ballroom Salon D**

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<u>Tuesday, October 18, 2022 (continued)</u>		<u>Room</u>
8:30am – 5:00pm	Technical Coordinating Committee	Alamo Ballroom Salon EF
	8:30am – 12:00pm General Session: “ <i>Advanced Technologies in Marine Fisheries</i> ”	
	1:30pm – 5:00pm Business Meeting <i>Darin Topping, Chairman</i>	
12:00pm – 1:30pm	Luncheon	Alamo Ballroom Salon C
1:30pm – 5:00pm	Sea Grant Fisheries Extension Advisory Panel <i>Laura Picariello, Chairman</i>	Bowie
5:30pm – 7:00pm	Dinner	River Terrace Room
<u>Wednesday, October 19, 2022</u>		<u>Room</u>
7:00am – 8:30am	Executive Committee Breakfast	Bowie
8:00am – 12:00pm	Registration	Alamo Ballroom Foyer EF
8:45am – 10:00am	State-Federal Fisheries Mgmt. Committee <i>Scott Bannon, Chairman</i>	Alamo Ballroom Salon EF
11:00am – 5:00pm	Commission Business Meeting <i>Doug Boyd, Chairman</i>	Alamo Ballroom Salon EF
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Commissioners’ Luncheon	Riverview Room

Monday, October 17, 2022

**TCC Data Management Subcommittee Meeting
8:30am – 5:00pm**

1. Call to Order – *Steve Brown, Chairman*
2. Adoption of Agenda – *Steve Brown*
3. Approval of Minutes (September 23, 2020) – *Steve Brown*
4. Update on VESL Development Progress – *Andrew Petersen*
5. Progress on Reef Fish Conversion Factor Research – *Donna Bellais*

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6. Update on Warehousing State Recreational Survey Data – *Gregg Bray*
7. Update on GulfFIN Oracle Cloud Transition – *Gregg Bray*
8. Other Business

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9. Commercial Data Review Session (Closed session for confidential data users only)
Adjourn

Monday October 17, 2022

**TCC Crab Subcommittee Meeting
8:30am – 12:00pm**

1. Call to Order – *Ryan Gandy, Chairman*
2. Adoption of Agenda – *Ryan Gandy*
3. Approval of Minutes (March 15, 2022) – *Ryan Gandy*
4. State Crab Monitoring through SuRF Funding – *All*
5. Status of the Fishery and the Effectiveness of Current Approaches to Management – *All*
 - a. Juvenile Abundances (<30mm CW)
 - b. TX Trends

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6. Current Crab Trap License, BRD, and TED Requirements – *All*
 7. Summary of Written Reports
 - a. Derelict Trap Clean-ups
 - b. State Fishery Updates
 8. Election of Officers – *All*
 9. Other Business
- Adjourn

Meeting Room: Alamo Ballroom Salon D

Monday October 17, 2022

**TCC SEAMAP Subcommittee Meeting
8:30am – 12:00pm**

1. Call to Order – *Ted Switzer, Chairman*
2. Adoption of Agenda – *Ted Switzer*
3. Approval of Minutes (July 26, 2022) – *Ted Switzer*
4. Administrative Report – *Jeff Rester*
5. G-FISHER Reef Fish Update – *Ted Switzer*
6. Plans for FY2023 Funding – *All*
7. Mud Tows in the Trawl Surveys – *Jeff Rester*
8. Public SEAMAP Database Distribution – *Jeff Rester*
9. TRiP Discussion – *Eric Hoffmayer*
10. Menhaden Bycatch Study – *Jeff Rester*
11. Election of Officers - *All*
12. Other Business
Adjourn

Meeting Room: Bowie

Monday October 17, 2022

**Reef Fish Extension Advisory Panel Meeting
9:00am – 4:00pm**

1. Welcome/Introductions – *Marcus Drymon, Chairman*
2. Introduction to Reef Fish Extension Project – *Marcus Drymon*
3. Results of First Reef Fish Extension Survey (Part 1) – *Sarah Gibbs*

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4. Results of First Reef Fish Extension Survey (Part 2) – *Sarah Gibbs*

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5. Feedback and Topics to Explore in Future Reef Fish Extension Surveys – *Advisory Panel*

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6. Ways to Survey Caribbean Stakeholders, Charter Sector, and Commercial Sector – *Advisory Panel*
7. Wrap Up – *All*
Adjourn

Meeting Room: Travis

Monday October 17, 2022

**State-Federal Fisheries Management Commission
Menhaden Advisory Committee Meeting
1:00pm – 5:00pm**

1. Call to Order – *Trevor Moncrief, Chairman*
2. Adoption of Agenda – *Trevor Moncrief*
3. Approval of Minutes (March 15, 2022) – *Trevor Moncrief*
4. Review of 2022 Gulf Menhaden Season – *Ray Mroch*
5. Update on the Atlantic Menhaden Fishery – *Ray Mroch*
6. Report on Texas Cap for 2022 – *Carey Gelpi/Ray Mroch*
7. Review of Port Sample Acquisition & Processing in 2022 and 2023 – *Ray Mroch/Steve VanderKooy*

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8. Data Needs for an Ecosystem Approach to Menhaden Management – *Kim de Mutsert*
9. Pre-season Forecast Historic Performance – *Ray Mroch*
10. Harvest Control Rule and Annual Index – *Robert Leaf/Catherine Wilhelm*
11. Marine Stewardship Certification of Gulf Menhaden Updates
 - a. Gulf Certification – *Peter Himchak*
 - b. NOAA Observer Steering Committee – *Francois Kuttel*
12. Election of Officers - *All*
13. Other Business
Adjourn

Meeting Room: Bowie

Monday October 17, 2022

**TCC Molluscan Shellfish Subcommittee Meeting
1:00pm – 5:00pm**

1. Call to Order/Introductions – *Evan Pettis, Chairman*
2. Adoption of Agenda – *Evan Pettis*
3. Approval of Minutes (March 15, 2022) – *Evan Pettis*
4. State Oyster Updates (Resource status, on- and off-bottom harvest, restoration) – *All*
 - a. Texas
 - b. Louisiana
 - c. Mississippi
 - d. Alabama
 - e. Florida
5. Gulf of Mexico Oyster Genetics and Breeding Research Consortium – *Eric Saillant*

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6. Discussion of Oyster Harvest Closure Criteria and Methodology – *All*
 - a. Texas
 - b. Louisiana
 - c. Mississippi
 - d. Alabama
 - e. Florida
 7. GOMA Oyster Community of Practice – *Emma Clarkson*
 8. Election of Officers – *All*
 9. Other Business
- Adjourn

Meeting Room: Alamo Ballroom Salon D

Tuesday, October 18, 2022

**GSMFC Law Enforcement Committee/
GMFMC Law Enforcement Technical Committee Meeting**

Closed Session: 8:30am – 9:15am

1. Introductions – *Scott Pearce, Chairman*
2. Approval of Summary (March 30, 2022 – Virtual; closed session) – *Scott Pearce*
3. Revisions to Council SOPPs Regarding Fishing Violations – *Ava Lasseter*

General Session: 9:30am – 5:00pm

Gulf Council LETC Items:

1. Introductions/Adoption of Agenda – *Scott Pearce, Chairman*
2. Approval of Minutes (October 12, 2021 – Virtual) – *Scott Pearce*
3. Potential Management Changes to Vermilion Snapper and Gray Triggerfish – *Ava Lasseter*
4. Changes to Mexico Status Due to IUU Enforcement – *Lisa Matoi/Les Casterline*

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5. IFQ Landing Transaction Discrepancies – *Dean Aucoin*
6. State-Licensed Charters Fishing in Federal Waters – *Patrick Carron*
7. Framework Actions to Change For-hire Requirements – *Ava Lasseter*
 - a. Modification to Location Reporting Requirements for For-hire Vessels
 - b. Modification of For-hire Vessel Trip Declaration Requirements
8. SEFHIER Program Update – *SERO*

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9. Return 'Em Right – *Nick Haddad*
10. Nomination Process for 2022 Officer/Team of the Year Award – *All*

GSMFC LEC Items:

11. Follow-up on the Future of the Strategic and Operations Plans – *All*
12. Discussion on FADs in State Waters – *All*
13. IJF Program Activity – *Steve VanderKooy*
 - a. Red Drum Profile Status
 - b. Mangrove Snapper Profile Preparations
 - c. Commission Publications

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**GSMFC Law Enforcement Committee/
GMFMC Law Enforcement Technical Committee Meeting (continued)**

14. State Report Highlights – *All*
 - a. Florida
 - b. Alabama
 - c. Mississippi
 - d. Louisiana
 - e. Texas
 - f. USCG
 - g. NOAA OLE
 - h. USFWS
 15. Other Business
- Adjourn

Meeting Room: Alamo Ballroom Salon D

Tuesday, October 18, 2022

**Technical Coordinating Committee Meeting
8:30am – 5:00pm**

1. Call to Order/Introductions – *Darin Topping, Chairman*
2. Adoption of Agenda – *Darin Topping*
3. Approval of Minutes (March 16, 2022) – *Darin Topping*
4. General Session: Advanced Technologies in Marine Fisheries
 - a. Welcome Remarks – *Dave Donaldson*
 - b. Sairdron – *Matt Womble*
 - c. Chesapeake Bay Foundation Oyster Monitoring Technology Challenge – *Doug Myers*

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- d. Mapping and Remote Sensing for Oysters in Texas – *Emma Clarkson/Evan Pettis*
- e. Continuous Video with AI to Monitor Recreational Fisheries – *Tiffanie Cross*
- f. Life History Investigative Tools for Gulf Sturgeon – *Meg Lamonte*

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5. SEFSC Shrimp Bycatch Survey – *Gary Decossas*
6. Development of Genomic Tools for Genetic Management of the Tripletail – *Eric Saillant*
7. DWH Hotspots Mapping Initiative Update – *Brett Falterman*
8. BOEM Gulf of Mexico Renewable Wind Energy Update – *Tershara Matthews*
9. SuRF Updates – *Steve VanderKooy*

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10. Review and Approval of Onboarding Materials for New TCC Members – *Charlie Robertson*
 11. Subcommittee Reports
 - a. Artificial Reef – *James Ballard*
 - b. Data Management – *Steve Brown*
 - c. Molluscan Shellfish – *Evan Pettis*
 - d. SEAMAP – *Ted Switzer*
 12. State-Federal Highlights - *All*
 13. Election of Officers – *All*
 14. Other Business
- Adjourn

Meeting Room: Alamo Ballroom Salon EF

Tuesday, October 18, 2022

**Sea Grant Fisheries Extension Advisory Committee Meeting
1:30pm – 5:00pm**

1. Call to Order/Introductions – *Laura Picariello, Chairman*
 2. Approval of Minutes – *All*
 3. Gulf Sea Grant Fisheries Extension State Reports
 - a. Florida – *Angela Collins/Andy Ropicki*
 - b. Mississippi/Alabama – *Marcus Drymon/Amanda Jefferson*
 - c. Louisiana – *Julie Lively/Dominique Seibert*
 - d. Texas – *Laura Picariello/Tony Reisinger*
 4. Regional Topics Discussion – *All*
 - a. Regional Projects and SG Collaborations
 - b. Other
 5. Other Business
- Adjourn

Meeting Room: Bowie

Wednesday, October 19, 2022

**State-Federal Fisheries Management Committee Meeting
8:45am – 10:00am**

1. Call to Order – *Scott Bannon, Chairman*
2. Adoption of Agenda – *Scott Bannon*
3. Approval of Minutes (October 20, 2021) – *Scott Bannon*
4. Discussion and Final Approval of GulfFIN Funding Activities for 2023 – *Gregg Bray*
5. Discussion and Final Approval of SEAMAP Funding Activities for 2023 – *Jeff Rester*
6. Discussion and Final Approval of IJ State Research Funding for 2023 – *Steve VanderKooy*
7. Menhaden Advisory Committee Report – *Steve VanderKooy*
8. Review of NOAA Fisheries Saltwater Recreational Fishing Policy – *Russ Dunn*
9. Election of Officers – *All*
10. Other Business
Adjourn

Meeting Room: Alamo Ballroom Salon EF

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Wednesday, October 19, 2022

Commission Business Meeting

11:00am – 5:00pm

1. Call to Order, Introductions, Opening Comments – *Doug Boyd, Chairman*
- Brief Overview of Commission Voting Procedures – *Dave Donaldson*
2. Adoption of Agenda – *Doug Boyd*
3. Approval of Minutes (March 17, 2022) – *Doug Boyd*
4. GSMFC Standing Committee Reports
 - a. Law Enforcement Committee – *Patrick Carron*
 - b. Technical Coordinating Committee – *Darin Topping*
 1. Artificial Reef Subcommittee
 2. Data Management Subcommittee
 3. Molluscan Shellfish Subcommittee
 4. SEAMAP Subcommittee
 - c. State-Federal Fisheries Management Committee – *Scott Bannon*
 1. GulfFIN Priorities
 2. SEAMAP Priorities
 3. IJF Priorities
 4. Menhaden Advisory Committee
5. Sea Grant Fisheries Extension Advisory Panel Meeting Report – *Laura Picariello*
6. NOAA Fisheries Southeast Regional Office Comments – *Jack McGovern*
7. USFWS Region 4 Office Comments – *Allan Brown/Glenn Constant*
8. NOAA Fisheries Budget Update – *Dave Donaldson*

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9. Discussion of GSMFC's Involvement in NRDA Shrimp Effort Pilot Project – *Rebecca Hazelkorn*
10. Discussion of Purchasing Airline Travel Insurance for Commission Travel – *All*
11. Review and Approve GSMFC Administrative Manual – *All*
12. Selection of 2023 Lyles-Simpson Award Recipient – *All*
13. GSMFC Program Reports
 - a. Interjurisdictional Fisheries Program – *Steve VanderKooy*
 - b. Aquaculture Program – *Steve VanderKooy*
 - c. SEAMAP – *Jeff Rester*
 - d. CARES Act – *Jeff Rester*
 - e. Sportfish Restoration – *James Ballard*
 - f. Aquatic Nuisance Species Programs – *James Ballard*
 - g. Fisheries Information Network – *Gregg Bray*
 - h. SEFHIER – *Gregg Bray*
 - i. Fisheries Restoration – *Charlie Robertson*

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Wednesday, October 19, 2022

**Commission Business Meeting
11:00am – 5:00pm (continued)**

14. Executive Committee Report – *Doug Boyd*
 - a. GSMFC Audit
 - b. Financial Statement (9/2022)
 - c. FY2023 Budget
 - d. Staff Compensation
15. State Directors' Reports
 - a. Florida – *Dan Ellinor*
 - b. Alabama – *Scott Bannon*
 - c. Mississippi – *Joe Spraggins*
 - d. Louisiana – *Jason Froeba*
 - e. Texas – *Chris Mace*
16. Future Meetings – *Nancy Marcellus*
 - a. October 19-21, 2023 – Louisiana
 - b. October 19-21, 2024 – Mississippi
17. Publications List and Web Statistics – *Dave Donaldson*
 - a. Publications
 - b. GSMFC Website
18. Election of Officers – *All*
 - a. Chairman – Alabama Rotation
 - b. 1st Vice-Chairman – Louisiana Rotation
 - c. 2nd Vice-Chairman – Mississippi Rotation
19. Other Business
Adjourn

Meeting Room: Alamo Ballroom Salon EF

SOCIAL EVENTS*

Monday, October 17, 2022

Room

5:30pm – 7:30pm	Lyles-Simpson Award Dinner <i>2020 Recipient – Harriet Perry</i>	River Terrace Room
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12:00pm – 1:30pm	Luncheon	Alamo Ballroom Salon C
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5:30pm – 7:00pm	Dinner	River Terrace Room
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***You must be registered for the meeting to attend these functions.**

Name badge required.

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