



# MEETING NOTICE

## GULF STATES MARINE FISHERIES COMMISSION

### 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Spring Meeting

March 2 - 17, 2021

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 situation and with abundance of caution, the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission has decided to hold the 71<sup>st</sup> Annual Spring Meeting virtually via GoToMeeting. The plan will be to convene the Technical Coordinating Committee and Commission Business Meeting during our regularly scheduled dates in March. Subcommittee meetings will be held prior to these. This notice contains meeting details, including the preliminary meeting schedule and GoToMeeting links. All times listed are Central Standard Time zone. All business meetings scheduled are open to the public, free of charge. Please note the preliminary schedule is subject to change. Mr. Doug Boyd, State of Texas Private Citizen Appointee, is the presiding Chairman of the Commission.

### **LYLES – SIMPSON AWARD**

***(Luncheon and Award Presentation Postponed until October 2021 Annual Meeting)***



The Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission previously announced that the 2020 Lyles-Simpson Award had been awarded to Harriet MacGill Perry. This prestigious Award is presented annually to an individual, agency, or organization which has contributed to the betterment of the fisheries of the Gulf of Mexico through significant biological, industrial, legislative, enforcement, or administrative activities. Due to the importance and prestige of this award, we will again be postponing the ceremony until the October 2021 Annual Meeting.

### **PRELIMINARY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

*Please refer to the GSMFC website ([www.gsmfc.org](http://www.gsmfc.org)) for GoToMeeting and Zoom details.*

#### **Tuesday, March 2, 2021**

8:30 am – 12:00 noon

Menhaden Advisory Committee

GoToMeeting Link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/670396181>

**Thursday, March 4, 2021**

8:00 am – 12:00 noon Molluscan Shellfish Subcommittee  
GoToMeeting Link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/209486749>

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm MSSC Oyster Hatchery Special Session  
GoToMeeting Link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/209486749>

**Tuesday, March 9, 2021**

10:30 am – 3:00 pm Joint LEC/LETC Meetings  
GoToMeeting Link:  
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7461980110716066061>

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm TCC SEAMAP Subcommittee  
GoToMeeting Link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/799249085>

**Thursday, March 11, 2021**

8:00 am – 12:00 noon TCC Crab Subcommittee  
GoToMeeting Link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/767008325>

**TO BE DETERMINED**

Sea Grant Fisheries Extension Advisory Committee

**Wednesday, March 17, 2021**

8:30 am – 12:00 noon Technical Coordinating Committee  
GoToMeeting Link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/249565437>

1:00 pm – 5:00 pm Commission Business Meeting  
GoToMeeting Link: <https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/858235989>

The final agenda and meeting materials will be available March 1, 2021 on the Commission website at [www.gsmfc.org](http://www.gsmfc.org) – Upcoming Meetings: GSMFC Annual Meeting. In the interim, if there are any questions concerning the 71st Annual Spring Meeting of the Commission, please contact Nancy Marcellus at 228.875.5912 or [nmarcellus@gsmfc.org](mailto:nmarcellus@gsmfc.org).