GULF STATES MARINE FISHERIES COMMISSION

70th ANNUAL MEETING

OCTOBER 14-17, 2019

GOLDEN NUGGET BILoxI HOTEL & CASINO
BILoxI, MISSISSIPPI
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*Justin Esslinger, Chairman* | Grand Ballroom A & B              |
| 8:30am – 12:00pm | TCC Crab Subcommittee  
*Ryan Gandy, Chairman* | Ship Island A                      |
| 8:30am – 12:00pm | TCC SEAMAP Subcommittee  
*Ted Switzer, Chairman* | Ship Island B                      |
| 1:00pm – 5:00pm | S/FFMC Menhaden Advisory Committee  
*Ray Mroch, Chairman* | Ship Island A                      |
| 1:00pm – 5:00pm | Sea Grant Extension Program  
*Julie Lively, Chairman* | Ship Island B                      |
| 5:30pm – 7:30pm | Reception/Cruise-*Betsy Ann* Riverboat  
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Business Meeting  
*Darin Topping, Chairman* | Grand Ballroom A & B              |
| 1:30pm – 5:00pm | Technical Coordinating Committee (continued)  
General Session: “The 2019 Freshwater Impacts Along the Northern Gulf of Mexico”  
*Darin Topping, Chairman* | Grand Ballroom A & B              |
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#### 70th Annual Meeting

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

1. Call to Order – J. Esslinger, Chairman
2. Adoption of Agenda – All
3. Approval of Minutes (October 16, 2018) – All
4. Update on Data Accessibility for Identifying Unique Commercial Vessels – All
5. Progress on Shrimp Conversion Factor Research – All

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6. Update on Status of GulfFIN Data Management System Confidential Query Page – D. Bellais
7. Feedback on NOAA Fisheries Report on Facilitating Greater Incorporation of Fisheries Data – All
8. Implementing Representative Biological Sampling in Florida – Successes and Challenges – D. Lazarre
9. Status of Biological Sampling and Analysis Activities – G. Bray
   a. Collection/Analysis Activities
   b. New Data Management System Products
   c. SEDAR Schedule for 2020
10. Election of Officers – All
11. Other Business

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12. Review of 2018 Commercial Data – D. Bellais
   a. Species Issues
   b. Gear Issues
   c. Area Fished Issues
   d. Market Issues
   e. Grade Issues
   f. Other Issues
Adjourn

Meeting Room: Grand Ballroom A & B
Tuesday, October 15, 2019

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

1. Call to Order – R. Gandy, Chairman
2. Adoption of Agenda – All
3. Approval of Minutes (March 19, 2019) – All
4. Public Comment
5. Results from Blue Crab Population Modeling Exercise – R. Leaf
   a. Overall Utility of Traffic Light Model
   b. Proposal/Presentation for TCC

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6. Update on Gulf-Wide Blue Crab Tagging Program – Z. Darnell
7. Population Genetic Differentiation and Diversity of the Blue Crab in the Gulf of Mexico
   Inferred with Microsatellites and SNPs – L. Hurtado Clavijo
8. Summary of Written Reports
   a. Derelict Trap Clean-Ups
   b. State Activities Highlights
9. Election of Officers – All
10. Other Business
    Adjourn
Tuesday, October 15, 2019

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

1. Call to Order – T. Switzer, Chairman
2. Adoption of Agenda – All
3. Approval of Minutes (July 23, 2019) – All
5. Great Red Snapper Count Presentation – M. Drymon
6. Invertebrate Identification Workshop – E. Hoffmayer
7. Review of the SEAMAP 2021-2025 Management Plan – All
8. SEAMAP Habitat Mapping Work Group Meeting – J. Rester
9. Trawling on the West Florida Shelf – E. Hoffmayer
10. NFWF Program Evaluation Meeting – T. Switzer
11. Election of Officers – All
12. Other Business
   Adjourn

Meeting Room: Ship Island B
Tuesday, October 15, 2019

S/FFMC Menhaden Advisory Committee
1:00pm – 5:00pm

1. Call to Order – R. Mroch, Chairman
2. Adoption of Agenda – All
3. Approval of Minutes (March 19, 2019) – All
4. Update on 2019 Gulf Menhaden Season – R. Mroch
5. Update on the Atlantic Menhaden Fishery – R. Mroch
8. Ecosystem Reference Points on the Atlantic – D. Chagaris

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9. Summary of Stakeholder Workshop – S. Vanderkooy
   a. Additional Analyses Results – R. Leaf
   b. Update on the Gulf Ecosystem Modeling – D. Chagaris
   c. Draft Procedures for Exceptional Circumstances – All
   d. Draft Memorandum of Agreement for Industry – All
   e. Next Steps – All
10. Election of Officers – All
11. Other Business
   Adjourn

Meeting Room: Ship Island A
Tuesday, October 15, 2019

Sea Grant – Fisheries Extension Advisory Panel
1:00pm – 5:00pm

1. Call to Order/Introductions – J. Lively, Chairman
2. Election of Vice-Chair – J. Lively
3. Review of Members – All
4. Approval of Minutes (October 2018 and March 2019) – All
5. Regional Projects – All
   a. Shark Depredation
   b. Leadership Programs/Workforce Development
   c. Barotrauma
6. Gulf Sea Grant Fisheries Extension State Reports
   a. Florida – A. Collins/A. Ropicki
   b. Mississippi/Alabama – M. Drymon/A. Jefferson
   c. Louisiana – J. Lively/D. Seibert
   d. Texas – L. Picariello/T. Reisinger
7. Guest Reports
   a. Gulf of Mexico Reef Fish Alliance – A. Rosenberg
   b. Audubon GULF – J. Fallon
8. Other Business
   – Next Meeting Topic
   Adjourn

Meeting Room: Ship Island B
Wednesday, October 16, 2019

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

1. Call to Order/Introductions – D. Topping, Chairman
2. Adoption of Agenda – All
3. Approval of Minutes (March 21, 2019) – All
4. Alternative Bulkhead Design Program Overview – P. Mickle
5. Overview of the Gulf Offshore Research Institute – K. Satterlee
6. Discussion: IJF Research Funding – S. VanderKooi

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7. Discussion: Using Watershed Scale Assessments to Identify Conservation Priorities and Prioritize Restoration Actions that Link Inland Waters and Costal Estuaries – G. Constant
8. Discussion: SOPs for New Oyster Subcommittee – J. Jewell
9. Proposed Mechanism for Gulf Menhaden Management (Harvest Control Rule) – J. Mareska
11. Subcommittee Reports
   a. Data Management
   b. Crab
   c. SEAMAP
12. State/Federal Reports
    – Questions/Comments
13. Election of Officers – All

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Technical Coordinating Committee
8:30am – 5:00pm (continued)

14. General Session: The 2019 Freshwater Impacts to Marine Natural Resources
   Along the Northern Gulf of Mexico – D. Topping
   a. Introduction – D. Donaldson
   b. Temporal and Spatial Progression of the Freshwater – S. Mize
   c. Impacts to Louisiana’s Marine Resources – J. Froeba
   d. Impacts to Mississippi’s Marine Resources – J. Jewell

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   e. Monitoring of the Waters Around the Bonnet Carré Spillway – R. Hendon
   f. Economic Impacts to Alabama as a Result of the Freshwater – J. Mareska
   g. Impacts on the Environmental Conditions in the Mississippi Bight – B. Dzwonkowski

15. Other Business
   Adjourn

Meeting Room: Grand Ballroom A & B
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GSMFC Law Enforcement Committee/
GMFMC Law Enforcement Technical Committee
8:30am – 5:00pm

1. Call to Order/Introductions – P. Carron, Chairman/J. Downey, Vice-Chairman
2. Adoption of Agenda – P. Carron/J. Downey
3. Approval of Minutes (March 20, 2019) – P. Carron/J. Downey

Gulf Council LETC Items

4. IUU Fishing – Coordinating Responses to Federal Determination Regarding Mexico’s Certification
5. Possession Limits on For-Hire Trips Over 24 Hours
6. Recreational Greater Amberjack – Fractional Bag Limits
7. Commercial IFQ Program Modifications – Estimated Weights in Advance Landing Notifications

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9. Maximum Crew Size on Dual-Permitted (Commercial and For-Hire) Vessels in Federal Waters
10. EFPs/State Management – Enforcement of Red Snapper Seasons
11. Officer/Team of the Year Award Update
12. LETC Other Business – All

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GSMFC LEC Items

13. Future of JEAs and JEA Funding Discussion – All
14. Status of State Water FADs – All
15. IJF Program Activity – S. VanderKooy
   a. Red Drum Profile Status
   b. Mangrove Snapper Profile LE Membership
   c. Annual License and Fees
   d. Law Summary (Red Book)

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GSMFC Law Enforcement Committee/
GMFMC Law Enforcement Technical Committee
8:30am – 5:00pm (continued)

16. State Report Highlights – All
   a. Florida          e. Texas
   b. Alabama         f. USCG
   c. Mississippi     g. NOAA OLE
   d. Louisiana       h. USFWS

17. Other Business

   Adjourn
Thursday, October 17, 2019

State/Federal Fisheries Management Committee
8:00am – 10:00am

1. Call to Order – S. Bannon, Chairman
2. Adoption of Agenda – All
3. Approval of Minutes (October 17, 2018) – All
4. Discussion and Final Approval of GulfFIN Funding Activities for 2020 – G. Bray
5. Discussion and Final Approval of SEAMAP Funding Activities for 2020 – J. Rester
6. Discussion of IJF Funding Process – S. VanderKooy
7. Election of Officers – All
8. Other Business
   Adjourn
Thursday, October 17, 2019

Commission Business Meeting
10:30am – 5:00pm

1. Call to Order, Introductions, Opening Comments – J. Spraggins, Chairman
   - Brief Overview of Commission Voting Procedures – D. Donaldson
2. Adoption of Agenda – J. Spraggins
3. Approval of Minutes (March 21, 2019) – J. Spraggins
4. GSMFC Standing Committee Reports
   a. Law Enforcement Committee – P. Carron
   b. Technical Coordinating Committee – D. Topping
      1. Data Management Subcommittee
      2. Crab Subcommittee
      3. SEAMAP Subcommittee
      4. Briefing on Freshwater Impacts General Session
   c. State-Federal Fisheries Management Committee – S. Bannon
      1. GulfFIN Priorities – S. Bannon/G. Bray
      2. SEAMAP Priorities – S. Bannon/J. Rester
      3. Menhaden Advisory Committee – R. Mroch
5. Sea Grant Fisheries Extension Meeting Report – J. Lively
6. NOAA Fisheries Southeast Regional Office Comments – R. Crabtree
7. USFWS Region 4 Office Comments – G. Constant/A. Brown

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8. NOAA Fisheries Budget Update – D. Donaldson/R. Crabtree
9. Discussion of Legislative Issues and Actions – D. Donaldson
   a. Discussion Draft of AQUAA Act
   b. H.R. 2236 Forage Fish Act
   c. H.R. 3697 Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Amendment
   d. S.2166 Regional Ocean Partnership Act
10. Discussion of Wind Farms in the Gulf of Mexico – All

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10:30am – 5:00pm (continued)

11. Status and Overview of Aquaculture Activities – S. VanderKooy
   a. Oyster Aquaculture
   b. Regional Pilot Projects
   c. Discussion of Gulf Shellfish Initiative – B. Walton

12. Presentation of Southeast Aquatic Resources Partnership (SARP) – J. Graham

13. Update on Great Red Snapper Count – M. Drymon

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14. GSMFC Program Reports
   a. Interjurisdictional Fisheries Program – S. VanderKooy
   b. SEAMAP – J. Rester
   c. Sportfish Restoration Program – J. Ballard
   d. Aquatic Nuisances Species Program – J. Ballard
   e. Fisheries Information Network – G. Bray

15. Executive Committee Report – J. Spraggins
   a. Audit
      1. GSMFC
      2. NOAA Inspector General
   b. Financial Statement (9/2019)
   c. FY2020 Budget
   d. Staff Compensation

16. State Directors’ Reports
   a. Florida – D. Ellinor
   b. Alabama – S. Bannon
   c. Mississippi – J. Spraggins
   d. Louisiana – J. Froeba
   e. Texas – L. Robinson

17. Future Meetings – N. Marcellus
   a. March 17-19, 2020 – Alabama
   b. October 13-15, 2019 – Florida

Meeting Room: Grand Ballroom A & B
18. Publications List and Web Statistics  
   a. Publications – D. Donaldson  
   b. GSMFC Website – D. Donaldson  
19. Election of Officers  
   a. Chair – Florida Rotation  
   b. 1st Vice-Chair – Texas Rotation  
   c. 2nd Vice-Chair – Alabama Rotation  
20. Other Business  
   Adjourn
# SOCIAL EVENTS*

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