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MEMORANDUM

October 22, 2019

TO: Commissioners; Proxies; American Eel Management Board; American Lobster Management Board; Atlantic Coastal Cooperative Statistics Program Coordinating Council; Atlantic Coastal Fish Habitat Partnership Steering Committee; Atlantic Herring Management Board; Atlantic Menhaden Management Board; Atlantic Striped Bass Management Board; Coastal Sharks Management Board; Executive Committee; Habitat Committee; Horseshoe Crab Management Board; ISFMP Policy Board; Law Enforcement Committee; Management and Science Committee; Shad and River Herring Management Board; South Atlantic State/Federal Fisheries Management Board; Spiny Dogfish Management Board; Tautog Management Board; Weakfish Management Board

FROM: Robert E. Beal *REB*
Executive Director

RE: **78th Annual Meeting of the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission**
October 27-31, 2019

The Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission's 78th Annual Meeting will be held October 27-31, 2019 at the Wentworth by the Sea, 588 Wentworth Road, New Castle, New Hampshire. Meeting materials are available on the Commission website <http://www.asafc.org/home/2019-annual-meeting>. Supplemental materials will be posted to the website on Wednesday, October 23rd.

Board meeting proceedings will be broadcast daily via webinar beginning Monday, October 28th at 8:30 a.m. and continuing daily until the conclusion of the meeting (expected to be 12:15 p.m.) on Thursday, October 31st. The webinar will allow registrants to listen to board deliberations and view presentations and motions as they occur. No comments or questions will be accepted via the webinar. Should technical difficulties arise while streaming the broadcast the boards/sections will continue their deliberations without interruption. We will attempt to resume the broadcast as soon as possible. Please go <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2059114101381638411> to register.

I look forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting. If the staff or I can provide any further assistance to you, please call us at 703.842.0740.

Enclosures: Final Agenda, TA # 19-086



Public Comment Guidelines

With the intent of developing policies in the Commission's procedures for public participation that result in a fair opportunity for public input, the ISFMP Policy Board has approved the following guidelines for use at management board meetings:

For issues that are not on the agenda, management boards will continue to provide opportunity to the public to bring matters of concern to the board's attention at the start of each board meeting. Board chairs will use a speaker sign-up list in deciding how to allocate the available time on the agenda (typically 10 minutes) to the number of people who want to speak.

For topics that are on the agenda, but have not gone out for public comment, board chairs will provide limited opportunity for comment, taking into account the time allotted on the agenda for the topic. Chairs will have flexibility in deciding how to allocate comment opportunities; this could include hearing one comment in favor and one in opposition until the chair is satisfied further comment will not provide additional insight to the board.

For agenda action items that have already gone out for public comment, it is the Policy Board's intent to end the occasional practice of allowing extensive and lengthy public comments. Currently, board chairs have the discretion to decide what public comment to allow in these circumstances.

In addition, the following timeline has been established for the **submission of written comment for issues for which the Commission has NOT established a specific public comment period** (i.e., in response to proposed management action).

1. Comments received 3 weeks prior to the start of a meeting week will be included in the briefing materials.
2. Comments received by 5:00 PM on the Tuesday immediately preceding the scheduled ASMFC Meeting (in this case, the Tuesday deadline will be **October 22, 2019**) will be distributed electronically to Commissioners/Board members prior to the meeting and a limited number of copies will be provided at the meeting.
3. Following the Tuesday, **October 22, 2019 5:00 PM deadline**, the commenter will be responsible for distributing the information to the management board prior to the board meeting or providing enough copies for the management board consideration at the meeting (a minimum of 50 copies).

The submitted comments must clearly indicate the commenter's expectation from the ASMFC staff regarding distribution. As with other public comment, it will be accepted via mail, fax, and email.

Final Agenda

The agenda is subject to change. The agenda reflects the current estimate of time required for scheduled Board meetings. The Commission may adjust this agenda in accordance with the actual duration of Board meetings. Interested parties should anticipate Boards starting earlier or later than indicated herein.

Sunday, October 27

2:00 – 7:00 p.m. **Registration**

Monday, October 28

7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Registration**

8:30 – 9:30 a.m. **Atlantic Herring Management Board**

Member States: Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey

Other Members: NEFMC, NMFS

Chair: Keliher

Other Participants: Zobel, Brown, Beal, Boelke

Staff: Rootes-Murdy

1. Welcome/Call to Order (*P. Keliher*)
2. Board Consent
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Proceedings from April 2019
3. Public Comment
4. Progress Update on 2019 Atlantic Herring Area 1A Fishery Performance (*R. Zobel*)
5. Update on Development of New England Fishery Management Council's (NEFMC) Georges Bank Spawning Protection Discussion Document (*D. Boelke*) **Possible Action**
6. Review and Set 2020-2021 Atlantic Herring Fishery Specifications (*K. Rootes-Murdy*) **Final Action**
7. Update on Maine Enforcement Efforts on Quota Violation (*R. Beal*)
8. Elect Vice-Chair **Action**
9. Other Business/Adjourn

9:45 – 10:30 a.m. **American Lobster Management Board**

Member States: Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia

Other Members: NEFMC, NMFS

Chair: Train

Other Participants: Reardon, Perry, Beal

Staff: Starks

1. Welcome/Call to Order (*S. Train*)
2. Board Consent
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Proceedings from April 2019
3. Public Comment

4. Discuss Reporting Requirements for 2020 (*C. Starks*)
5. Update on Resiliency in the Gulf of Maine (Draft Addendum XVII) (*C. Starks*)
6. Progress Update on the 2020 American Lobster Benchmark Stock Assessment (*J. Kipp*)
7. Other Business/Adjourn

10:45 – 11:45 a.m.

Tautog Management Board

Member States: Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia

Other Members: NMFS, USFWS

Chair: McKiernan

Other Participants: Barry, Snellbaker

Staff: Rootes-Murdy

1. Welcome/Call to Order (*D. McKiernan*)
2. Board Consent
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Proceedings from August 2019
3. Public Comment
4. Progress Report on Commercial Harvest Tagging Program (*K. Rootes-Murdy*) **Possible Action**
5. Other Business/Adjourn

11:45 – 1:15 p.m.

Lunch (*On Your Own*)

1:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Atlantic Coastal Fish Habitat Partnership (ACFHP) Steering Committee

Members: Babb, Bell, Campfield, Carloni, Chiarella, Coakley, Erikson, Faulkner, Greenberg, Groskin, Johnson, Kornbluth, Laney, Lorson, McMunigal, Medders, Powell, Rousseau, Socrates, Thomas-Blate, Topolski

Chair: Smith

Other Participants: Devers, Macone

Staff: Havel

1. Welcome/Introductions (*K. Smith*)
2. Committee Consent
 - Approval of Agenda
3. Funding Updates
 - RepYourWater (*L. Havel*)
 - Donate to ACFHP!
 - FishAmerica Funding (*L. Havel, K. Smith*)
 - 2019 – 2020 Operational Funding (*P. Campfield*)
 - Regional Business Plan 2-Pagers Update (*L. Havel*)
4. National Fish Habitat Plan Update (*L. Havel*)
 - American Fisheries Society Film Festival
 - Waters to Watch
 - Fish Habitat Act Status
5. National Fish Habitat Action Plan Funding Update (*J. Devers*)
 - FY2019 Funding
 - FY2020 Project Rankings
6. Whitewater to Bluewater Update (*J. Thomas-Blate*)

7. Merrimack River Watershed Council Update (*J. Macone*)
8. Day 1 Wrap Up (*K. Smith*)
9. Recess

1:15 – 2:45 p.m.

Atlantic Menhaden Management Board

Member States: Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida

Other Members: NMFS, PRFC, USFWS

Chair: Meserve

Other Participants: Ballenger, Kersey

Staff: Appelman

1. Welcome/Call to Order (*N. Meserve*)
2. Board Consent
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Proceedings from August 2019
3. Public Comment
4. Progress Update on the 2019 Atlantic Menhaden Single-Species and Ecological Reference Point Benchmark Stock Assessments (*K. Anstead, K. Drew*)
5. Update on 2019 Reduction Fishery Harvest from Chesapeake Bay (*N. Meserve*)
 - Consider Compliance with the Fishery Management Plan **Action**
6. Other Business/Adjourn

2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Registration

3:00 – 5:30 p.m.

Atlantic Coastal Cooperative Statistics Program (ACCSP) Coordinating Council

Partners: ASMFC, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, MAFMC, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, NEFMC, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, NMFS, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, PRFC, Rhode Island, SAFMC, South Carolina, USFWS, Virginia

Chair: Fegley

Staff: White

1. Welcome/Introductions (*L. Fegley*)
2. Council Consent
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Minutes from April 2019
3. Public Comment
4. Funding Subcommittee Report (*J.D. Simpson*)
5. Consider Recommendations for FY2020 Submitted Proposals (*L. Fegley*) **Action**
6. Consider Revision of the ACCSP Technical Committee Structure (*J.D. Simpson*) **Action**
7. Consider Establishment of Data Coordination Committee (*G. White*) **Possible Action**
8. Program/Committee Updates
 - Electronic Trip Reporting Status (*G. White*)
 - Registration Tracking (*J.D. Simpson*)
 - Updates from Operations/Advisors Joint Meeting (*N. Lengyel-Costa*)

- Committee Updates (*N. Lengyel-Costa*)
- For-Hire Methods Workshop Summary (*G. White*)
- State Conduct of For-hire Telephone Survey (*G. White*)

9. Other Business/Adjourn

6:00 – 8:00 p.m. **Welcome Reception**

Tuesday, October 29

7:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Registration**

8:00 – 9:30 a.m. **Spiny Dogfish Management Board**

Member States: Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina

Other Members: NMFS

Chair: Batsavage

Other Participants: Newlin, Moran

Staff: Rootes-Murdy

1. Welcome/Call to Order (*C. Batsavage*)
2. Board Consent
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Proceedings from August 2019
3. Public Comment
4. Consider Addendum VI for Final Approval **Final Action**
 - Review Options and Public Comment Summary (*K. Rootes-Murdy*)
 - Consider Final Approval of Addendum VI
5. Review and Revise (If Needed) 2020/2021 Specifications (*K. Rootes-Murdy*) **Possible Action**
6. Consider Approval of 2019 Fishery Management Plan Review and State Compliance (*K. Rootes-Murdy*) **Action**
7. Elect Vice-Chair **Action**
8. Other Business/Adjourn

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Management and Science Committee**

Members: Armstrong, Burns, Dukes, Giannini, King, Knowlton, Madsen, McKown, McManus, Michels, Miller, Orner, Rawls, Ryan, Stevens, Sullivan, Wilson

Chair: Gartland (Knowlton will serve as Chair for this meeting)

Other Participants: Andrews, Faulkner

Staff: Murray

1. Welcome/Introductions (*K. Knowlton*)
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Review Committee Roles and Past Projects (*M. Armstrong*)
4. Discuss Measuring Success in Rebuilding and Sustaining Stocks (*T. Kerns*)
5. Discuss Climate Change Impacts to Fisheries Resources
6. Overview of Management Strategy Evaluations (*J. McNamee*)
7. Overview of New Marine Recreational Information Program Survey Data (*R. Andrews*)
8. Overview of United States Geological Survey Scientific Support to ASMFC (*S. Faulkner*)

9. Review ASMFC Research Priorities (*P. Campfield*)
10. Discuss Offshore Wind and Fisheries Interactions
11. Other Business
12. Adjourn

8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. **ACFHP Steering Committee (continued)**

10. Review Current Action Plan (*L. Havel*)
11. Discuss 2020-2021 Action Plan (*K. Smith, L. Havel*)
12. Update on Conservation Mapping (*L. Havel, E. Martin*)
 - Southeast Mapping
 - Northeast Mapping
 - Assessment of Existing Information
13. Communications Discussion (*L. Havel*)
 - 10-Year ACFHP Factsheet
 - Western Native Trout Initiative Trout Challenge Discussion (*B. Groskin*)
 - World Fish Migration Day: May 16, 2020
14. Submerged Aquatic Vegetation Monitoring Protocols Discussion (*A. Kornbluth*)
15. Elect Vice-Chair
16. Other Business/Adjourn

9:45 – 11:45 a.m. **Horseshoe Crab Management Board**

Member States: Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida

Other Members: NMFS, PRFC, USFWS

Chair: Rhodes

Other Participants: Brunson, Messeck, Sweka

Staff: Schmidtke

1. Welcome/Call to Order (*M. Rhodes*)
2. Board Consent
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Proceedings from August 2019
3. Public Comment
4. Review Delaware Bay Ecosystem Technical Committee and Adaptive Resource Management Subcommittee Report (*J. Sweka*)
5. Consider Re-initiation of Postponed Draft Addendum VIII (*M. Rhodes*) **Possible Action**
6. Set 2020 Harvest Specifications **Final Action**
 - Review Horseshoe Crab and Red Knot Abundance Estimates and 2019 ARM Model Results (*J. Sweka*)
 - Set 2020 Harvest Specifications (*M. Rhodes*)
7. Consider Approval of 2019 Fishery Management Plan Review and State Compliance (*M. Schmidtke*) **Action**
8. Other Business/Adjourn

11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. **Lunch (On Your Own)**

1:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Law Enforcement Committee (LEC)

(A portion of this meeting may be a closed session for the LEC Coordinator and Committee members only)

Members: Beal, Blanchard, Brown, Eastman, Furlong, Gadomski, Garner, Hettenbach, Hodge, Hogan, Kersey, King, Lauderman, Messeck, Moore, Moran, Noel, Pearce, Ray, Santiago, Snellbaker, Walker, Williams

Vice-Chair: Messeck (Chair has retired, Vice Chair Messeck will serve as Chair for the meeting)

Other Participants: Odom

Staff: Robson

1. Call to Order/Roll Call of the LEC Representatives (*D. Messeck, M. Robson*)
2. Approval of Agenda and May 2019 Minutes
3. Public Comment
4. Appoint Nominations Subcommittee for LEC officers
5. Review LEC Input on Circle Hook Regulations and Enforcement
6. Review LEC Input on Atlantic Striped Bass Addendum VI
7. Review and Discuss ASMFC Species (as Needed)
8. Review and Discussion Ongoing Enforcement Activities (**Closed Session**)
9. State Agency Reports
10. Recess

1:15 – 2:15 p.m.

American Eel Management Board

Member States: Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida

Other Members: DC, NMFS, PRFC, USFWS

Chair: Gary

Other Participants: Zimmerman, Beal

Staff: Rootes-Murdy

1. Welcome/Call to Order (*M. Gary*)
2. Board Consent
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Proceedings from August 2019
3. Public Comment
4. Consider Approval of Coastwide Cap Overages Policy (*K. Rootes-Murdy*) **Final Action**
5. Consider Approval of 2019 Fishery Management Plan Review and State Compliance (*K. Rootes-Murdy*) **Action**
6. Other Business/Adjourn

2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Registration

2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Weakfish Management Board

Member States: Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida

Other Members: NMFS, PRFC, USFWS

Chair: Clark

Other Participants: Levesque, Walker

Staff: Schmidtke

1. Welcome/Call to Order (*J. Clark*)
2. Board Consent
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Proceedings from October 2018
3. Public Comment
4. 2019 Stock Assessment Update (*E. Levesque*)
 - Presentation of 2019 Assessment Update Report
5. Consider Management Response to Stock Assessment Update (*J. Clark*) **Possible Action**
6. Consider Approval of 2019 Fishery Management Plan Review and State Compliance (*M. Schmidtke*) **Action**
7. Elect Vice-Chair **Action**
8. Other Business/Adjourn

4:15 – 5:15 p.m.

Business Session

Member States: Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida

Chair: Gilmore

Staff: Beal

1. Welcome/Call to Order (*J. Gilmore*)
2. Committee Consent
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Proceedings from August 2019
3. Public Comment
4. Review and Consider Approval of the 2020 Action Plan (*R. Beal*) **Action**
5. Elect Chair and Vice-Chair **Action**
6. Recess

6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Annual Dinner

Wednesday, October 30

8:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Executive Committee

Breakfast will be available at 7:30 a.m.

(A portion of this meeting may be a closed session for Committee members and Commissioners only)

Members: Abbott, Anderson, Bowman, Boyles, Jr. (Bell), Cimino, Clark, Estes, Gilmore, Grout, Haymans, Keliher, McNamee, Miller, Miner, Murphey, Pierce, Shiels

Chair: Gilmore

Staff: Leach

1. Welcome/Call to Order (*J. Gilmore*)
2. Committee Consent
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Meeting Summary from August 2019
3. Public Comment
4. Report of the Administrative Oversight Committee (*P. Keliher*)
 - Consider Approval of Fiscal Year 2019 Audit/Financial Statement **Action**
 - Review Draft 2020 Action Plan
5. Consider Allocation of Remaining Plus-Up Funds (*R. Beal*)
 - Striped Bass Tagging Survey
 - Discuss Other Uses
6. Discuss Public Input Processes (*R. Beal*)
 - Advisory Panel Involvement
 - Public Hearing Process
7. Review Policy Addressing Non-payment of State Assessments (*R. Beal*)
8. Review Revised Investment Policy for Commission Reserves (*L. Leach*)
9. Future Annual Meetings Update (*L. Leach*)
10. Other Business/Adjourn

8:00 – 11:30 a.m.

Law Enforcement Committee (continued)

11. Social
12. Federal Agency Reports
13. Review Offshore Enforcement Issues for American Lobster (tentative)
14. Review and Discuss State Compliance Reporting Process (tentative)
15. Review and Discuss ASMFC Species (as Needed)
16. Follow-up Discussion on Tautog Commercial Tagging Implementation
17. Elect Chair and Vice-Chair **Action**
18. Adjourn

8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Habitat Committee

Members: Ayvazian, Babb, Bachman, Carloni, Chiarella, Chintala, Coakley, Fay, Gill, J. Johnson, S. Johnson, Laney, Lorson, McTigue, Medders, Rousseau, Sanger, Schneider, Sherwood, Smith, Socrates, Tinsman, Watkinson, Wilber, Wilke

Chair: Topolski

Staff: Havel

1. Welcome/Introductions (*M. Topolski*)
2. Committee Consent
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Proceedings from May 2019
3. ACFHP Update (*L. Havel*)
4. Northeast Regional Habitat Assessment Data Discussion (*J. Coakley, M. Bachman*)
5. Status Updates (*L. Havel & R. Babb*)
 - Habitat Management Series: Aquaculture/Survey
 - Habitat Management Series: Acoustics
 - Habitat Hotline
6. Fish Habitats of Concern Workshopping
7. Species Assignments Check-in (*L. Havel*)
8. Other Business/Adjourn

10:15 – 11:45 a.m.

Shad and River Herring Management Board

Member States: Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida

Other Members: DC, NMFS, PRFC, USFWS

Other Participants: Sprankle, Furlong, Lyons Gromen

Chair: Armstrong

Staff: Starks

1. Welcome/Call to Order (*M. Armstrong*)
2. Board Consent
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Proceedings from February 2019
3. Public Comment
4. Review Technical Committee Recommendations on Management and Monitoring Inconsistencies with Amendments 2 and 3 (*K. Sprankle*) **Possible Action**
5. Consider Approval of Revisions to the Maine River Herring Sustainable Fishery Management Plan (*K. Sprankle*) **Action**
6. Discuss Updates to Shad Habitat Plans (*C. Starks*)
7. Progress Update on Shad Benchmark Stock Assessment (*J. Kipp*)
8. Consider Approval of 2019 Fishery Management Plan Review and State Compliance (*C. Starks*) **Action**
9. Review and Populate Advisory Panel Membership (*T. Berger*) **Action**
10. Other Business/Adjourn

11:45 a.m. – 1:15 p.m. **Captain David H. Hart Award Luncheon**

1:15 – 2:30 p.m. **Coastal Sharks Management Board**

Member States: Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida

Other Members: NMFS, USFWS

Chair: Batsavage

Other Participants: Frazier, Garner

Staff: Rootes-Murdy

1. Welcome/Call to Order (*C. Batsavage*)
2. Board Consent
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Proceedings from April 2019
3. Public Comment
4. Consider Postponed Motion from April 2019 (*C. Batsavage*) **Final Action**
Move to require, for state waters, the use of circle hooks on lines intended to catch sharks.
 - Law Enforcement Committee Report (*M. Robson*)
 - Advisory Panel Report (*K. Rootes-Murdy*)
5. Set Coastal Sharks Fishery Specifications for 2020 (*K. Rootes-Murdy*) **Final Action**
6. Consider Approval of 2019 Fishery Management Plan Review and State Compliance (*K. Rootes-Murdy*) **Action**
 - Status Update on State Implementation of North Atlantic Shortfin Mako Recreational Measures
7. Elect Vice-Chair **Action**
8. Other Business/Adjourn

2:45 – 5:45 p.m. **Atlantic Striped Bass Management Board**

Member States: Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina

Other Members: DC, NMFS, PRFC, USFWS

Chair: Armstrong

Other Participants: Lengyel, Blanchard, Bassano

Staff: Appelman

1. Welcome/Call to Order (*M. Armstrong*)
2. Board Consent
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Proceedings from August 2019
3. Public Comment
4. Addendum VI for Final Approval **Final Action**
 - Review Options and Public Comment Summary (*M. Appelman*)
 - Review Advisory Panel Report (*M. Appelman*)
 - Review Law Enforcement Committee Report (*K. Blanchard*)
 - Consider Final Approval of Addendum VI
5. Review Criteria for Development of Conservation Equivalency Proposals (*K. Drew*)
6. Other Business/Adjourn

Thursday, October 31

8:00 – 10:00 a.m.

Interstate Fisheries Management Program Policy Board

Member States: Maine, New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida

Other Members: DC, NMFS, PRFC, USFWS

Chair: Gilmore

Staff: Kerns

1. Welcome/Call to Order (*J. Gilmore*)
2. Board Consent
 - Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Proceedings from August 2019
3. Public Comment
4. Update from Executive Committee (*J. Gilmore*)
5. Discuss Process Implications for Ecological Reference Point Benchmark Assessment (*T. Kerns, K. Drew*)
6. Standing Committee Reports **Action**
 - Law Enforcement (*M. Robson*)
 - Habitat (*L. Havel*)
 - Consider Approval of the Habitat Management Series: Aquaculture Impacts to Fish Habitat along the Atlantic Coast
 - Atlantic Coastal Fish Habitat Partnership Steering Committee (*L. Havel*)
 - Management and Science (*S. Murray*)
 - Assessment Science (*S. Murray*)
 - Consider Approval of Assessment Schedule
7. Review Noncompliance Findings (If Necessary) **Action**
8. Other Business/Adjourn

10:00 – 10:15 a.m.

Business Session (continued)

7. Consider Changes to the Rules and Regulations to Adopt a Policy to Address Non-Payment of State Appropriations (*R. Beal*) **Final Action**
8. Consider Noncompliance Findings, If Necessary **Final Action**
9. Other Business/Adjourn

10:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.

South Atlantic State/Federal Fisheries Management Board

Member States: New Jersey, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida

Other Members: DC, NMFS, PRFC, SAFMC, USFWS

Chair: Geer

Other Participants: Giuliano, McDonough, Rickabaugh, Hodge, Powers

Staff: Schmidtke

1. Welcome/Call to Order (*P. Geer*)
2. Board Consent

- Approval of Agenda
 - Approval of Proceedings from August 2019
3. Public Comment
 4. Consider Approval of Atlantic Croaker Draft Addendum III and Spot Draft Addendum III for Public Comment (*M. Schmidtke*) **Action**
 5. Discuss Differences between Federal and Commission Management of Spanish Mackerel (*P. Geer*) **Possible Action**
 6. Consider Approval of 2019 Fishery Management Plan Reviews and State Compliance for Red Drum, Black Drum, and Spotted Seatrout (*M. Schmidtke*) **Action**
 7. Other Business/Adjourn