

Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council Proposed Actions for 2021

Revised 10/7/2021

Gulf Meeting Dates:						2021								
Action	Start	Rank	Council	Gulf/ NMFS Lead	IPT	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
1 Allocation Review Guidelines	04/19	A	Gulf	AD	Yes	SSC Mtg/Allocation				Workgroup Mtg	Draft Guidelines			Final Guidelines
2 Framework Action: Establish Red Grouper Catch Levels	06/21	A	Gulf	MF/PH	Yes				Draft Options		Final			
3 Coastal Migratory Pelagics Amendment 32: Modify ACLs for Cobia to End Overfishing	09/20	A	Gulf/SA	NM/KO	Yes		Revised Draft		PH Draft - Gulf	PH Draft - SA	PHs / Final			
4 Reef Fish Amendment 54: Sector Allocations and Catch Levels for Greater Amberjack	01/21	A	Gulf	AL/JF	Yes		Presentation		SSC Review / Presentation	SSC Rvw / Presentation	Presentation			
5 Framework Action: Options for Electronic Reporting due to Equipment Failure	04/21	A	Gulf	CRS/RM	Yes		Presentation		Draft		Draft			Final
6 Framework Action: Modification of the Vessel Position Data Collection Program for the Gulf of Mexico Shrimp Fishery	11/20	A	Gulf	MF/FH	Yes		Draft Options		Draft		Discussion			Draft
7 Framework Action: Modify Annual Catch Limits of Vermilion Snapper	06/20	B	Gulf	AD/RM	Yes						Draft Options			Final
8 Reef Fish Amendment 36B: Permit Requirement for Shareholders in the Commercial Individual Fishing Quota Programs	01/16	B	Gulf	AL/PH	Yes		AP / PH Draft		PH Draft		Focus Group Discussion			
9 Coastal Migratory Pelagics Amendment 33: Sector Allocations and Catch Levels for Gulf King Mackerel	10/20	B	Gulf/SA	NM/RR/KO	Yes		Draft Options		Draft Options		Draft Options		SA Draft Options	
10 Generic EFH Amendment	4/19	B	Gulf	LH/RM	Yes		Draft Options		SSC Review/ Draft Options					Draft
11 Revisions to the ABC Control Rule	03/12	B	Gulf	RR/RM	No	SSC	Discuss			SSC Review				
12 Historical Captain Permits Conversion	08/21	B	Gulf	AD	No									Draft/Final
13 Framework Action: Modifications to Vermilion Snapper Bag Limits and Gray Triggerfish Recreational Fixed Closed Seasons	06/20	C	Gulf	CRS/?	Yes									
14 Reef Fish Amendment x: Sector Allocations and Catch Levels for Red Snapper	01/21	C	Gulf		No									
15 Reef Fish Amendment 36C: Commercial IFQ Modifications	08/19	C	Gulf	AL/AD/PH	Yes		AP/Draft		Draft					
16 Fishery Ecosystem Management Plan	10/18	C	Gulf	NM/KO	Yes					Ecosys TC	Discussion			
17 Amendment x: Sector Separation for Red and Gag Groupers, Gray Triggerfish, and Greater Amberjack	09/20	C	Gulf	AD	No				Presentation					
18 Amendment to require electronic reporting for commercial logbooks	02/13	C	Gulf	LH/RM	No					Data AP	Discussion/ AP Report			
19 Snapper Grouper Amendment 44 and Reef Fish Amendment 55 yellowtail snapper	10/15	C	Gulf/SA	RR/KO	No				Discussion		Draft Options			

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<b>POSTPONED / DISCONTINUED ACTIONS:</b>														
20 Reef Fish Amendment <b>41</b> for Federal Charter For Hire Red Snapper Management (Jan 2019)	01/15		Gulf	MF										
21 Reef Fish Amendment <b>42</b> for Federal Reef Fish Headboat Management (Jan 2019)	04/15		Gulf	AD										
22 Action to consider requiring descending devices or venting tools onboard vessels possessing reef fish	04/17		Gulf	PH										
23 CMP (Mackerel) Amend <b>29</b> : King mackerel Allocation Sharing and Recreational AMs (Jan 2017)	04/16		Gulf/SA	RR/RM										
24 Allocation sharing mechanism between the commercial and recreational sectors when ACL is not being met	10/16		Gulf	RR/AD										
25 Reef Fish Amend <b>39</b> Regional Management of Recreational Red Snapper (Jan 2016)	06/12		Gulf	AL										
26 Reef Fish Amend <b>33</b> (LAPP Program) (no action Jan 2016)	08/12		Gulf	AD										
27 Red Drum Recreational Management	04/14		Gulf	RR/PH										
28 CMP (Mackerel potentially Amend <b>28</b> ) Permit Split (Oct 2015)	01/15		Gulf/SA	RR										
29 Reef Fish Amendment <b>52</b> : Evaluate Red Snapper Allocations (Jan 2020)	01/18		Gulf	MF/PH										
30 Framework Action for Recreational Greater Amberjack with Modifications to Bag Limits, Season Structure, and Management Zones (Jan 2020)	06/19		Gulf	LH/KO										
31 Generic Amendment: Carryover provision to harvest uncaught quota (June 2019)	06/16		Gulf	RR/RM										
32 Amendment x: Modifications to boundary line for red drum out to 9 nm (June 2021)	09/20		Gulf	RR	No		Presentation							
<b>COMPLETED ACTIONS:</b>														
33 Framework Action: Gulf of Mexico Red Snapper Catch Limits	01/21		Gulf	JF/RM			Transmit							
34 Reef Fish Amendment <b>48</b> /Red Drum Amendment <b>5</b> : Status Determination Criteria	08/14		Gulf	JF/PH										
35 Framework Action: Gulf of Mexico Red Snapper Recreational Data Calibration and Recreational Catch Limits	09/20		Gulf	RR/DL/ (PH)							Transmit			
36 Reef Fish Amendment <b>53</b> : Red Grouper Allocations and Catch Levels	10/19		Gulf	MF/PH			PHs / Final			Transmit				
37 Framework Action: Modify ACL Limits Lane Snapper	01/20		Gulf	LH/DL										

**NOTE:**

PH = Public Hearing  
AP = Advisory Panel  
SA = South Atlantic  
WG = Working Group

**KEY:**

OP - Options Paper  
PH Draft - Draft for Public Hearings  
IPT - Interdisciplinary Planning Team

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