

Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council Proposed Actions for 2021

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Gulf Meeting Dates:						2021							
Action	Start	Rank	Council	Gulf/ NMFS Lead	IPT	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug
1 Allocation Review Guidelines	04/19	A	Gulf	AD	Yes			Allocation Rvw WG		SSC Mtg			
2 Reef Fish Amendment <b>53</b> : Red Grouper Allocations and Catch Levels	10/19	A	Gulf	MF/PH	Yes	PH Draft / SSC report	Reef AP		Rev Draft	PHs	Final		
3 Coastal Migratory Pelagics Amendment <b>32</b> : Modify ACLs for Cobia to End Overfishing	09/20	A	Gulf/SA	NM/KO	Yes	Draft Options		CMP AP/ SA Council	Draft		PH Draft		
4 Framework Action: Gulf of Mexico Red Snapper Recreational Data Calibration and Recreational Catch Limits	09/20	A	Gulf	RR/DL/ (PH)	Yes	Final			Final				
5 Framework Action: Gulf of Mexico Red Snapper Catch Limits	01/21	A	Gulf	JF/RM	No			Review by SSC	Final				
6 Reef Fish Amendment <b>x</b> : Modify Sector Allocations and Catch Levels for Greater Amberjack	01/21	A	Gulf	CRS			Reef AP			SSC review	Draft Options		
7 Framework Action: Modify Annual Catch Limits of Vermilion Snapper	06/20	B	Gulf	LH/RM	Yes						Draft		
8 Reef Fish Amendment <b>36B</b> : Modifications to permit requirements in the IFQ programs	01/16	B	Gulf	AL/PH	Yes						PH Draft		
9 Amendment <b>33</b> : Sector Allocations and Catch Levels for King Mackerel	10/20	B	Gulf/SA	NM/KO	Yes	Presentation					Draft Options		
10 Generic EFH Amendment	4/19	B	Gulf	LH/RM	Yes				Rev Outline / Presentation		Draft Options		
11 Framework Action: Modifications to Vermilion Snapper Bag Limits and Gray Triggerfish Recreational Fixed Closed Seasons	06/20	B	Gulf	CRS/?	Yes		Reef AP				Draft		
12 Shrimp Amendment <b>x</b> : Modifications to Effort Monitoring in the Shrimp Fishery	11/20	B	Gulf	MF	No			Shrimp AP	Discuss		White Paper		
13 Revisions to the ABC Control Rule	03/12	B	Gulf	RR/RM	No					WG meetings			
14 Reef Fish Amendment <b>x</b> : Modify Sector Allocations and Catch Levels for Red Snapper	01/21	C	Gulf		No								
15 Reef Fish Amendment <b>36C</b> : Commercial IFQ Modifications	08/19	C	Gulf	AL/AD/PH	Yes						Background		
16 Fishery Ecosystem Management Plan	10/18	C	Gulf	NM/KO	Yes		Select Contractor						
17 Amendment <b>x</b> : Sector Separation for Red and Gag Groupers, Gray Triggerfish, and Greater Amberjack	09/20	C	Gulf	AD	No				White Paper				
18 Amendment <b>x</b> : Modifications to boundary line for red drum out to 9 nautical miles	09/20	C	Gulf	RR	No								Presentation
19 Amendment to require electronic reporting for commercial logbooks	02/13	C	Gulf	LH/RM	No						White Paper		
20 Amendment to consolidate ABC/ACL, sector allocations, and AMs for yellowtail snapper	10/15	C	Gulf/SA	RR/KO	No	Discuss Assessment					Draft Options		

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POSTPONED / DISCONTINUED ACTIONS:														
21	Reef Fish Amendment <b>41</b> for Federal Charter For Hire Red Snapper Management (Jan 2019)	01/15		Gulf	MF									
22	Reef Fish Amendment <b>42</b> for Federal Reef Fish Headboat Management (Jan 2019)	04/15		Gulf	AD									
23	Action to consider requiring descending devices or venting tools onboard vessels possessing reef fish	04/17		Gulf	PH									
24	CMP (Mackerel) Amend <b>29</b> : King mackerel Allocation Sharing and Recreational AMs (Jan 2017)	04/16		Gulf/SA	RR/RM									
25	Allocation sharing mechanism between the commercial and recreational sectors when ACL is not being met	10/16		Gulf	RR/AD									
26	Reef Fish Amend <b>39</b> Regional Management of Recreational Red Snapper (Jan 2016)	06/12		Gulf	AL									
27	Reef Fish Amend <b>33</b> (LAPP Program) (no action Jan 2016)	08/12		Gulf	AD									
28	Red Drum Recreational Management	04/14		Gulf	RR/PH									
29	CMP (Mackerel potentially Amend <b>28</b> ) Permit Split (Oct 2015)	01/15		Gulf/SA	RR									
30	Reef Fish Amendment <b>52</b> : Evaluate Red Snapper Allocations (Jan 2020)	01/18		Gulf	MF/PH									
31	Framework Action for Recreational Greater Amberjack with Modifications to Bag Limits, Season Structure, and Management Zones (Jan 2020)	06/19		Gulf	LH/KO									
32	Generic Amendment: Carryover provision to harvest uncaught quota (June 2019)	06/16		Gulf	RR/RM									
COMPLETED ACTIONS:														
33	Reef Fish Amendment <b>48</b> /Red Drum Amendment <b>5</b> : Status Determination Criteria	08/14		Gulf	JF/PH		Final		Transmit					
34	Framework Action: Modifications to Gray Triggerfish Catch Limits	10/20		Gulf	CRS/KO		Final		Transmit					
35	Framework Action: Modify Annual Catch Limits of Lane Snapper	01/20		Gulf	LH/DL		Final		Transmit					
36	Framework Action: “Modification of Fishing Access in Eastern Gulf of Mexico Marine Protected Areas (Transmitted 8/2020)	10/19		Gulf	RR/RM									

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**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