

## **Gulf Council Meeting**

**April 9, 2026**

### ***Priorities and Tasking Schedule***

#### ***June 2026 Council Meeting***

1. **Final Action: Draft Reef Fish Amendment 63:** Program to Establish a Commercial Red Grouper Quota Pool
2. **Reef Fish Amendment 59A:** Permit Requirements in IFQ Programs
3. **Public Hearing Draft:** Modify Electronic Reporting Requirements for Federally Permitted For-Hire Vessels
4. **Draft Amendment 55/Snapper Grouper Amendment 44:** Modify Yellowtail and Mutton Snapper Management Measures
5. **Greater Amberjack:** Consideration of State Management
6. **Updated Draft:** Generic Amendment to Modify Essential Fish Habitat
7. **Executive Order Workplan:** Review of low priority species in FMPs to Consider if they are in need of Federal Management
8. **Discussion:** 5-Year Review of Standardized Bycatch Reporting
9. **Options:** Penaeid Shrimp Stock Status determination criteria

#### ***August 2026 Council Meeting***

1. **Final Action:** Modification of For-Hire Electronic Reporting Requirements
2. **Discussion:** 5-Year Review of Standardized Bycatch Reporting
3. **Greater Amberjack:** Consideration of State Management
4. **Discussion:** Document to consider Changes to Red Snapper Private Recreational Accountability Measures including Payback and Carryover Provisions
5. **Presentation:** Delegation of Federal For-hire Management to Gulf States

#### ***Documents to Finalize and Transmit listed in Order***

1. **Abbreviated Framework Action:** Red Grouper IFQ Set Aside Quota Holdback

2. **Reef Fish Framework Action:** Modify the Red Snapper For-Hire Season (*Final Aug 2025*)
3. **Abbreviated Framework Action:** Continuation of Management Measures to Reduce Reef Fish Release Mortality (*Final Nov 2025: To be completed Review RFAA, SEFSC Review*)
4. **Abbreviated Framework:** Update Lane Snapper Catch Limits

### ***Documents in Rulemaking***

1. **Shrimp Amendment 19:** Consider Permit Moratorium Requirements (*Transmitted March 2026*)
2. **Reef Fish Amendment 62:** Modification of Red Grouper Management Measures (*Transmitted March 2026*)
3. **Reef Fish Framework Action:** Modify Other Shallow-water Grouper Management Measures (*Transmitted July 2025*)
4. **Shrimp Framework Action:** Modify Shrimp Vessel Position Data Collection (*Transmitted January 2026*)
5. **Reef Fish Amendment 58B:** Modify Deepwater Grouper Management (*Transmitted February 2026*)
6. **Reef Fish Framework Action:** Modifications to Lane Snapper Management Measures (*Transmitted August 2025*)
7. **CMP Framework Amendment 14:** Modify Spanish Mackerel Catch Limits and Accountability Measures (*Transmitted March 2026*)
8. **Comprehensive Amendment Electronic Reporting for Commercial Vessels** (*Transmitted February 2024*)