



DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council will hold a joint meeting of its Shrimp Advisory Panel (AP), Coral Advisory Panel, and Coral Statistical and Scientific Committee (SSC).

DATES: The meeting will convene Wednesday, August 3, 2016, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursday, August 4, 2016, from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. (EDT)

ADDRESSES: The meeting will take place at the Council's office.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The items of discussion on the agenda are as follows:

The Shrimp AP, Coral AP and Coral SSC will meet jointly to review the coral data portal; discuss the proposed Flower Garden Banks National Marine Sanctuary and the Florida Keys National Marine Sanctuary expansions; discuss potential Habitat Areas of Particular Concern (HAPC) in the Gulf of Mexico; and provide recommendations to the Council for the August 2016 Council meeting.

– Meeting Adjourns –

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The meeting will be webcast over the internet. A link to the webcast will be available on the Council's website, <http://www.gulfcouncil.org>.

Although other non-emergency issues not on the agenda may come before the Committees for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Actions of the Committees will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kathy Pereira at the Gulf Council Office (see **ADDRESSES**), at least 5 working days prior to the meeting.

Dated: July 13, 2016.

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