

CFMC 162nd Regular Meeting Motions
Marriott Stellaris, San Juan Puerto Rico

April 3' 2018 Motions

1. The Council moves to accept agenda as amended

Motion by:
Seconded:
Vote: all four
Motion carries: Y

2. The Council moves to accept the 161 meeting verbatim transcriptions

Motion by: Carlos Velazquez
Seconded: Ruth Gomez
Vote: all four
Motion carries: Y

3. The Council moves to include in Action 1 Alternative 2 the following criteria:

Criterion E. For the species that would be selected for management as a result of applying Criteria A through D, exclude those the Council determines are not in need of conservation and management because the total (commercial + recreational) average landings during the reference period chosen in subsequent actions are less than 2000 pounds and are therefore considered to be *de minimus*.

New language - Criterion E. From the species identified in the process above, *exclude* those that the Council determines are not in need of conservation and management because the total (commercial + recreational) average landings during the reference period chosen in subsequent actions are less than X* pounds, indicating the fishery is *de minimus*, unless conservation and management is otherwise required because of the factors identified under Criterion A. *These excluded species will be moved to the Ecosystem Component Species category.*

*The number will be determined using the best available data at a later time.

Motion by: T. Blanchard
Seconded: Carlos Velazquez
Vote: all yes
Motion carries: Y

4. The Council moves to adopt the new language in action 2 Alternative 4, subalternatives 4a and 4b.

Action 2

Alternative 4. Where there are stock complexes, determine whether to assign one or more indicator stocks as follows:

Sub-Alternative 4a. Indicator species would be used. One or more indicators would be assigned to a complex based on the following criteria: percent of the catch, targeted, habitat co-occurrence, life history/vulnerability, catch co-occurrence, data, and market. Species in the stock complex would be subject to accountability measures as a group based on the indicator species annual catch limit.

Sub-Alternative 4b. No indicator species would be used. For stock complexes for which harvest is allowed, species in the complex would be subject to accountability measures as a group based on the aggregate annual catch limit.

Motion by: Ruth Gomez

Seconded: Marcos Hanke

Vote: all yes

Motion carries: Y

5. The Council moves to add the new language in Action 3:

Alternative 2. When establishing management reference points for a stock/stock complex in the Puerto Rico FMP, specify by sector (i.e., commercial, recreational) when allowed by the data.

Motion by: Carlos Velazquez

Seconded: John McGovern

Vote: 6 yes, 1 absent

Motion carries: Y

April 4th CFMC Motions

1. The Council moves to add the following language in EIS Action 3:

Alternative 4. A. For those stocks/stock complexes with valid assessments (Tiers 1-3) or those for which landings and/or ancillary information (Tier 4) are available, adopt the ABC Control Rule (described in table xxx). For stocks/stock complexes in Tiers 4A and 4B, the MSY proxy = OFL proxy; the overfishing status determination criteria (OFL proxy) will be determined by the Southeast Fisheries Science Center (SEFSC) in consultation with the Council and the SSC; and
B. Establish an ACL and OY by choosing any of the sub-alternatives in Section B below.

Motion by: Carlos Velazquez

Seconded: Marcos Hanke

Vote: 2 abstained, 5 yes

Motion carries: Y

2. The Council moves to change overfishing limit (OFL) to sustainable yield level (SYL) in the ABC Control Rule specified in Action 3, Alternative 4, Tier 4.

Motion by: T. Blanchard

Seconded: Carlos Velazquez

Vote: 7 yes

Motion carries: Y

3. The Council moves to modify the language in ABC Control Rule specified in Action 3, Alternative 4, Tier 4a to: scalar ≤ 3 depending on perceived degree of exploitation, life history and ecological function.

Motion by: Carlos Velazquez

Seconded: Marcos Hanke

Vote: 6 yes, 1 abstained

Motion carries: Y

4. The Council moves to allow staff to modify the language in ABC Control Rule specified in Action 3, Alternative 4, Tier 4b to: $\text{scalar} < 2$, depending upon the SSC determination of perceived degree of exploitation, life history and ecological function.

Motion by: T. Blanchard

Seconded: Ruth Gomez

Vote: all yes

Motion carries: Y

5. The Council moves to define in Action 3, Alternative 4, Tier 4a the $\text{SYL} = \text{Scalar} \times 75^{\text{th}}$ percentile of reference period landings, where the reference period of landings is chosen by the Council as recommended by the SSC in consultation with the SEFSC.

Motion by: Carlos Velazquez

Seconded: Marcos Hanke

Vote: all yes

Motion carries: Y

6. The Council moves to define in Action 3, Alternative 4, Tier 4b the $\text{SYL} = \text{Scalar} \times \textit{mean}$ of the reference period landings, where the reference period of landings is chosen by the Council as recommended by the SSC in consultation with the SEFSC.

Motion by: Marcos Hanke

Seconded: Jack McGovern

Vote: all yes

Motion carries: Y

7. The Council moves to add the following sub-alternative to Action 3, Alternative 4:

Sub-Alternative 4f. $\text{OY} = \text{ACL} = \text{ABC} \times 0.95$

Motion by: T. Blanchard

Seconded: Marcos Hanke

Vote: all yes

Motion carries: Y

8. The Council will direct staff to work with the SERO and the SEFSC to prepare a TOR with direction for task for the SSC including revisiting the SYL for parrotfish, angelfish and surgeonfish for all islands to remove the additional reductions which the Council may address as reductions from ABC to ACL.

Motion by: Marcos Hanke

Seconded: T. Blanchard

Vote: all yes

Motions carries: Y

9. The Council moves to create a Youtube channel.

Motion by: Marcos Hanke

Seconded: Ruth Gomez

Vote: all yes

Motions carries: Y

10. The Council moves to re-appoint Alida Ortiz, Cristina Olan and Jannette Ramos and Andrés Maldonado to the OEAP Committee.

Motion by: T. Blanchard

Seconded: Ruth Gomez

Vote: all yes

Motion carries: Y

11. The Council moves to re-appoint Sarah Ann