

**CARIBBEAN FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL  
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**160th REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
COURTYARD MARRIOTT  
ISLA VERDE, PUERTO RICO  
AUGUST 15-16, 2017  
TENTATIVE AGENDA**

**August 15, 2017**

**9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

- °Call to Order
- °Adoption of Agenda
- °Election of Officers
- °Consideration of 159<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting Verbatim Transcriptions
- °Executive Director's Report
- °Scientific and Statistical Committee Meeting Report – Richard Appeldoorn
- °District Advisory Panel Meeting Recommendations – Graciela Garcia-Moliner
- °Dolphin Fish Survey Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands Presentation – Mr. Wessley Merten
- °Island-based Fishery Management Plans and Draft Environmental Impact Statements
  - Review of Draft Actions and Alternatives for the Draft Environmental Impact Statements for each Island-Based Fishery Management Plan
    - Action 1: Species to Manage (Final Draft Alternatives Complete)
    - Action 2: Species Groupings (Review Final Draft Alternatives)
    - Action 3: Reference Points (Review Draft Alternatives)
    - Action 4: Essential Fish Habitat for Stocks Not Previously Managed in Federal Waters
    - Action 5: Framework Measures
  - Next Steps/Roadmap – Bill Arnold
- ° Review of Accountability Measure-Based Closures for the 2017 Fishing Year
- ° Update on Regulatory Amendment 6 to the Reef Fish Fishery Management Plan: Triggering Accountability Measures in the Puerto Rico Exclusive Economic Zone
- °Other Business

----PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD----(5-minutes presentations)

**5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.**

- °Administrative Matters

-CY 2017  
-Closed Session

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- ° Update on the Commercial Port Sampling Landings Validation Project- Todd Gedamke
- ° Outreach and Education Report – Alida Ortiz
- ° Octopus Fishery Survey Puerto Rico – Grisel Rodriguez
- ° Developing a Fishery Ecosystem Plan – Presentation on Lenfest/PEW Approach to Fishery Ecosystem Plan Development
- ° Enforcement Issues:
  - Puerto Rico-DNER
  - U.S. Virgin Islands-DPNR
  - U.S. Coast Guard
    - 1991 DNER/NMFS Memorandum of Understanding
    - NMFS/NOAA
- ° Electronic Reporting Project Update – The Nature Conservancy
- ° Meetings Attended by Council Members and Staff
- ° Other Business

----PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD----  
(5-minute presentations)

° Next Meeting

**NOTE (1): The established times for addressing items on the agenda may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the timely completion of discussion relevant to the agenda items. To further accommodate discussion and completion of all items on the agenda, the meeting may be extended from, or completed prior to the date established in this notice.**

**NOTE (2): Financial disclosure forms are available for inspection at this meeting, as per 50 CFR Part 601.**