

**CARIBBEAN FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
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**157th REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
VANDERVILT HOTEL
SAN JUAN, PUERTO RICO
AUGUST 23-24, 2016
TENTATIVE AGENDA**

August 23, 2016

9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.

- °Call to Order
- °Election of Officers
- °Adoption of Agenda
- °Consideration of 156th Council Meeting Verbatim Transcriptions
- °Executive Director's Report
- °Scientific and Statistical Committee Report – Dr. Richard Appeldoorn
 - Island Based Fishery Management Plans (IBFMPs)
 - Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC) Control Rule
- °Island Based Fishery Management Plans (IBFMPs)
 - Goals and Objectives of IBFMPs
 - Review Action 1: Species to include for Federal Management in each IBFMP
 - Review Action 2: Review Consolidated List of Stocks, and Stock and Species Complexes
 - Review Action 3: Reference Points
 - Update SEDAR 46 US Caribbean Data Limited Species-Southeast Fisheries Science Center
 - ABC Control Rule Work Group Report
 - Recommendations to the CFMC on ABC Control Rule
 - Consider Action 4: Framework Procedures for IBFMPs
 - Consider Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) Designation for New Species in the IBFMPs and 5-year Review of EFH FMP
- °CFMC Roadmap to Complete IBFMPs
- °Data Collection in the USVI – Ruth Gómez
- °Developing a Commercial Permit Program for the Snapper Unit 2 Fishery Operating in Puerto Rico EEZ Waters – Reconsideration of DRAFT Scoping Document

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

August 24, 2016
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

- °Timing of Accountability Measures
 - Results from Public Hearings
 - Next Step: Consider taking final action/Review codified text
- °Development of Regulatory Amendment regarding ACL Overages and Application of Accountability Measures: Sector vs. Total ACL within a Fishery Management Unit
- °Reports to CFMC
 - Standing Committee for Recreational Sampling Plan Development
 - Connectivity Studies Seasonally Closed Areas off the West Coast of Puerto Rico: Fish Larvae Sources and Sinks. Where do Fish Larvae go to when Spawned in the ABT? Dr. Jorge Capella
 - 2015 Spiny Lobster Survey Results –Aida Rosario
 - Pelagic Fish Distribution – Ricardo López
- °Enforcement Issues
 - Bottom Tending Gear: Legal Definition of Gear, Regulations in Place in Seasonally Closed Areas in the EEZ
 - Atlantic HMS Caribbean Fisheries – Delisse Ortiz
- °Outreach and Education Report – Dr. Alida Ortíz
- °MREP Update – Helena Antoun
- °Enforcement Issues:
 - Puerto Rico-DNER
 - U.S. Virgin Islands-DPNR
 - U.S. Coast Guard
 - NMFS/NOAA
- °Meetings Attended by Council Members and Staff

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(5-minute presentations)

- °Other Business
- °Next Meeting(s)

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.