

**CARIBBEAN FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
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**152nd REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
DIVI CARINA HOTEL
ST. CROIX, USVI
April 21-22, 2015**

TENTATIVE AGENDA

April 21, 2015

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

- °Call to Order
- °Adoption of Agenda
- °Consideration of 151st Council Meeting Verbatim Transcriptions
- °Executive Director's Report
- ° SSC National Workshop Report – Dr. Richard Appeldoorn
- °SSC Meeting Report – Dr. Richard Appeldoorn
- °Island-Based Fishery Management-Species Selection Criteria Development
 - Outcomes from the March 2015 DAP and SSC Meetings
 - input from each of the three DAPs
 - input from SSC
 - Review Proposed Options, Provide Guidance for Inclusion/Exclusion/Addition
 - Discuss Options and Next Steps in Continuing the Development of this Initiative.
- °Update on Timing of Accountability Measure-based Closures Action
 - Outcomes from the March 2015 DAP Meetings – input from each of the three DAPs regarding the options for times to schedule closures for each of the alternatives laid out in the Options paper (islands/island groups and ACL groupings)
 - Review Proposed Options, Provide Guidance for Inclusion/Exclusion/Addition
 - Discuss Next Steps
- °Update on Puerto Rico Commercial Landings 2011-2013, and Comparison to Annual Catch Limits
- °Permits Scoping Paper
 - Report from USVI and Puerto Rico Regarding State Perspectives on Permits
 - Review Outcomes from March Scoping Meetings
 - Discuss Options and Next Steps in Continuing the Development of this Initiative

°Emergency Rule to Prohibit Sea Cucumber and Sea Urchin Harvest from U.S. Caribbean EEZ Waters

- Report on Availability of Pertinent Landings Data
- Status and Next Steps

°Modifications to Accountability Measure Guidance in FMPs

- Council Receives Update on Development of Plan Amendments

°ABC Control Rule for Data-Poor Stocks

- Report from SSC

°Abrir/Bajo/Tourmaline consistency of regulations

- Consider Outcomes from February Public Meetings in Mayaguez and Cabo Rojo, Puerto Rico
- Evaluate and Confirm, or Modify, Alternatives Including Preferred Alternatives.

----PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD----

(5-minutes presentations)

5:15 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

°Administrative Matters

-Budget Update FY 2014/15

-SOPPs Approval for Submission to NOAA Fisheries

- Closed Session:

-Membership of Island-Based District Advisory Panels (DAPs) and

Consideration of Terms of Reference for Winter 2015 DAP Meetings

-SSC/OEAP Memberships

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- °Results and Plan Actions from the SEFSC's Stock Assessment Programmatic Review
- °Update on Project Entitled: "Connecting Fishers and Fisheries Data Using a Cooperative Gear Development Project to Improve Catch Reporting" – Anthony Iarocci
- °Request by Puerto Rico West Coast Fishers on Trammel Net Phase Out
- °Revision of ACLs for Puerto Rico – Eugenio Piñeiro
- °Proposed Rule to Revise the National Standard 1, 3, and 7 Guidelines
- °Continuing Research: Assessing Queen Conch Home Range, Habitat and Movement in the USVI – Jennifer Doerr and Ron Hill
- °MERP Report
- ° Outreach and Education Report – Dr. Alida Ortíz
- °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 Council 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.