

HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES ADVISORY PANEL MEETING

September 19 - 21, 2012

DRAFT AGENDA

DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel
8120 Wisconsin Avenue, Bethesda, MD, 20814

Wednesday, September 19, 2012

- 1:00 pm Welcome; Introduction of Facilitator, Advisory Panel, and Staff; Agenda adoption
Scott McCreary, Facilitator
- 1:30 pm Overview of Recent Activities and Upcoming Actions/Issues (HMS staff)
HMS Fisheries & Regulatory Updates
- 2:15 pm Weak Hook Implementation/Preliminary Analyses (Daniel Foster, SEFSC)
- 3:00 pm Law Enforcement Update (NMFS/USCG staff)
- 3:30 pm Break
- 3:45 pm Draft Amendment 5: Atlantic Shark Rebuilding & Ending Overfishing (HMS staff)
Dusky, Sandbar, Blacknose, Scalloped Hammerhead Sharks
Presentation, Questions & Answers
HMS Advisory Panel discussion
- 5:45 pm Public Comment
- 6:00 pm Adjourn

Thursday, September 20, 2012

- 8:30 am Reconvene
- 8:45 am Bluefin Tuna 2012 Fishery Update (HMS staff)
Year to Date in Review
2012 Bluefin Tuna Specifications
Other issues
- 9:30 am PreDraft Amendment 7 on Bluefin Tuna Management (HMS staff)
Presentation
- 10:15 am Break
- 10:30 am PreDraft Amendment 7 on Bluefin Tuna Management continued
Presentation, Questions & Answers
HMS Advisory Panel discussion
Next steps

12 noon Lunch

1:30 pm Remarks from Samuel D. Rauch, III, Deputy Assistant Administrator for Fisheries
(*invited*)

2:00 pm Draft Amendment 4 on Caribbean HMS Management (HMS staff)
Public Comment Summary
Next steps

2:30 pm Convention on the International Trade in Endangered Species Updates (NMFS staff)

3:00 pm Final HMS Research Plan (NMFS staff)

3:30 pm Break

3:45 pm Draft Amendment 8 on Swordfish Commercial Access (HMS staff)
Status update
Next steps

4:30 pm United States -- Bahamas Maritime Boundary (Department of State staff)

5:15 pm Public Comment

5:30 pm Adjourn

Friday, September 21, 2012

8:30 am Reconvene

8:45 am Recreational HMS Issues/Updates (NMFS staff)
HMS Recreational Action Plan Next Steps
Massachusetts Census Bluefin Tuna Pilot Program Update
Large Pelagics Survey Re-estimation & Puerto Rico Catch Card Pilot Updates
Yellowfin Tuna Recreational Landings Issues
Louisiana Yellowfin Tuna Recreational Permit and Reporting Update
HMS Tournament Reporting & Registration Updates

9:45 am Break

10:00 am Electronic HMS Dealer Reporting Final Rule
Presentation/Demo overview

10:45 am Public Comment

11:00 am HMS Advisory Panel Priorities & Next Steps (HMS staff)

12 noon Adjourn