SOUTHEASTERN FISHERIES ASSOCIATION (SFA)







EAST COAST FISHERIES SECTION (ECFS)

SFA ECFS 2013-2014 Fisheries Events Version 09 Sunday May 12, 2013

<u>January 01, 2013</u> Vermilion snapper first semi-annual commercial season opens, Jack complex, Porgy complex, Deep water complex, Snapper Complex, Golden tilefish, Snowy grouper, Cobia, Gray triggerfish, Mutton snapper, Yellowtail snapper, Dolphin, Wahoo, Blue runner and some minor species open with fresh ACLs. Also, large and small coastal sharks open with slightly increased quotas and trip limits.

January 01-April 30 Red Porgy commercial sale and purchase closure, [Black Sea Bass closed since October 08, 2012 until 01 June 2013], Shallow water groupers recreational & commercial spawning season closure

Commercial ACL Info http://sero.nmfs.noaa.gov/sustainable_fisheries/acl_monitoring/commercial_sa/index.html
Recreational ACL Info http://sero.nmfs.noaa.gov/sustainable_fisheries/acl_monitoring/recreational_sa/index.html

February 13 Vermilion snapper first semi-annual commercial season closed with 91% ACL landed

March 01 Atlantic Group King mackerel new commercial season starts

April 23 SEDAR 28 GMFMC Spanish mackerel & Cobia Report due to Councils, SERO and SEFSC http://www.sefsc.noaa.gov/sedar/Sedar Workshops.jsp?WorkshopNum=28

May 01 Greater Amberjack and Shallow Water Grouper open for commercial and recreational season May 01 Red Porgy opens for commercial harvest

May 13 Special SAFMC voting members Conference Call & Webinar 1 to 5 PM for new Black Sea Bass

<u>ACLs</u> https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/203788962 Oral Comment will be registered from Noon to 1:15 PM according to the Federal Register notice of this proposed rule and more details will follow when published by the SAFMC and the NMFS. http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-04-22/pdf/2013-09397.pdf

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<u>May 13 Written Comment Due</u> for SG Amendment 28 for Red Snapper process for a fishing season each year http://www.safmc.net/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=bFAkYBbPT5g%3d&tabid=139

May 13 Written Comment Due for HMS Bluefin Tuna 2013 Quotas

http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/fishery_rules/2013/04-11-13_2013_proposed_bft_specs_78_fr_21584.pdf
May 16 Applications Due for SAFMC Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC)

http://www.safmc.net/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=1wo8A%2bCcvTE%3d&tabid=781

May 17 Written Comment Due for SG Regulatory Amendment 14 Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) for 9 Actions that includes Greater Amberjack, Gray Triggerfish, Hogfish, Black Sea Bass, Vermilion Snapper, Gag Grouper and Aggregate Grouper issues http://www.safmc.net/LinkClick.aspx?fileticket=VGllqLTKZuQ%3d&tabid=139

<u>May 24 Written Comment Due</u> HMS Shark Amendment 5b Dusky Shark Notice of Intent (NOI) to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/fishery_rules/2013/04-24-13_a5b_notice%20_of_intent_78_fr_24148.pdf

<u>May 27 Written Comment Due</u> FINAL Environmental Impact Statement (FEIS) for HMS Shark Amendment 5a for Record of Decision (ROD)

http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/newslist/2013/04-18-13 amendment 5a FEIS listserv notice.pdf

<u>May 28-30</u> Southeastern Fisheries Association (SFA) 61st Annual meeting in Orlando, Florida http://www.sfaonline.org/events.html

<u>May 29 Written Comment Due</u> Proposed Rule for SG Amendment 28 Red Snapper future fishing season http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-04-29/pdf/2013-10000.pdf

<u>June 01</u> Black sea bass opens for recreational and commercial sectors with increasing ACL later in the year based on Draft SG Regulatory Amendment 19 to be discussed during the May 13 Webinar/Conference Call for action by the SAFMC voting members. Oral Comment need to be registered from Noon to 1:15 PM according to the Federal Register notice for this proposed rule. https://s3.amazonaws.com/public-inspection.federalregister.gov/2013-09397.pdf

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June 04 Written Comment Due ESA listing for Scalloped Hammerhead sharks

http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-04-05/pdf/2013-07781.pdf

June 10-14 SAFMC meeting at the Hutchinson Island Marriott in Stuart, Florida

June 17 Written Comment Due for Proposed Rule to implement provisions of Shark Conservation Act (SCA)

http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/fishery_rules/2013/05-02-

13_shark_conservation_act_proposed_rule_78_fr_25685.pdf

June 19-20 Florida FWC Commission meeting in Lakeland, Florida

http://myfwc.com/about/commission/commission-meetings/2013/june/11/agenda/

<u>June 25 Written Comment Due</u> Great Hammerhead Shark Petitions to list under Endangered Species Act http://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-04-26/pdf/2013-09943.pdf

<u>June 25-27</u> SEDAR 34 Atlantic Sharpnose & Bonnethead sharks Standard Assessment in Panama City, FL http://www.sefsc.noaa.gov/sedar/Sedar_Workshops.jsp?WorkshopNum=34

July 01 Vermilion snapper second commercial season opens, potentially with 2013 ACL increase

July Potential Red snapper mini-season opens for recreational and commercial sector in the SAFMC region

July to September Snowy Grouper Standard Assessment webinars

http://www.sefsc.noaa.gov/sedar/Sedar Workshops.jsp?WorkshopNum=36

September 05-06 Florida FWC Commission meeting in Pensacola, Florida

Week of September 09 for the HMS AP meeting in Silver Spring, Maryland

September 16-20 SAFMC meeting at the Charleston Marriott in Charleston, SC

October 22-23 SAFMC SSC & SEP meeting in Charleston, SC

November 20-21 Florida FWC Commission meeting in Ft. Lauderdale-Miami, Florida

December 02-06 SAFMC meeting at the Hilton Riverside in Wilmington, NC

<u>December 9-13, 2013</u> Joint Gulf and South Atlantic Council King mackerel SEDAR 38 Data Workshop Full Benchmark stock assessment

March 2014 SAFMC meeting in Savannah, Georgia

June 2014 SAFMC meeting in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida

September 2014 SAFMC meeting in Charleston, South Carolina

December 2014 SAFMC meeting in New Bern, North Carolina

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