



**MARINE FISHERIES ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**November 12-14, 2008 New Orleans, LA**

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<b>Day 1 - Wednesday, November 12, 2008</b>			
<b>Time</b>	<b>Min.</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Presenter</b>
9:00	15	<b>Introductions &amp; Opening Remarks</b>	Dr. Jim Balsiger, Acting Assistant Administrator for NOAA Fisheries
9:15	15	<b>Agenda Review:</b> Overview of Plenary, Subcommittee, and Working Group Agendas for the Meeting	Tom Billy, MAFAC Liaison
9:30	60	<b>New Member Orientation</b> - Overview of Committee purpose and operations - MAFAC Member Handbook/Website - Federal Advisory Committee Act - Travel briefing	Mark Holliday, NMFS Policy Office
10:30	15	Break	
10:45-11:30	45	<b>Ethics and Financial Disclosure Briefing</b>	William Jacobi, Senior Counsel, Ethics Law and Programs Division, Office of the General Counsel U.S. Department of Commerce <by phone>
11:30-12:00	30	<b>Update Briefing – Seafood Quality &amp; Safety</b>	Tim Hansen, Director, NMFS Seafood Inspection Program
12:00	60	Lunch	
1:00 – 5:00		<b>Subcommittee and Working Group Briefings</b>	
	1:00-2:00	Strategic Planning, Budget and Program Management Subcommittee	Jim Gilmore, Subcommittee Chair
	2:00-3:00	Commerce Subcommittee	Tom Billy, Subcommittee Chair
	3:00-3:15	Break	
	3:15-4:00	Recreational Fisheries Working Group	Bob Fletcher, Working Group Chair
	4:00-4:30	Protected Resources Subcommittee	Bob Fletcher, Subcommittee Chair
	4:30-5:00	Ecosystem Approach Subcommittee	Chris Dorsett, Subcommittee Chair
5:00		Adjourn	

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<b>Day 2 – Thursday, November 13, 2008</b>			
Time	Min.	Subject	Presenter
8:30	45	<b>Update Briefing – MSRA Implementation</b> Status, incl. NEPA, ACL rules	Alan Risenhoover, Director, NMFS Office of Sustainable Fisheries
9:15-10:00	45	<b>Update Briefing – Budget/Transition</b>	Gary Reisner, Director, NMFS Office of Management and Budget
10:00-10:15		<b>Break</b>	
10:15-11:00	45	<b>Update Briefing - Ecolabeling</b>	Mark Holliday, Director, NMFS Policy Office
11:00-12:00		<b>Vision 2020 &amp; Transition Reports</b> Yearly monitoring/refreshment of 2020 Transition paper and strategies	Tony DiLernia, Vision 2020 Working Group Jim Gilmore, Policy Subcommittee Chair
12:00	60	<b>Lunch</b>	
1:00-3:00	60	<b>LAPPs in the Gulf of Mexico – Discussion</b> - NMFS Southeast Regional Office (15 min)  - Gulf Mexico Reg. Fishery Mgt Council (15 min)  - Industry (15 min)  - LAPP – Plans and Funding (15 min)	Phil Steele, NOAA Fisheries, Assistant Regional Administrator Sustainable Fisheries  Robert Gill, Commercial Fisherman, Gulf of Mexico Regional Fishery Management Council member  William Tucker, Commercial Fisherman, FL  Alan Risenhoover, Director, NMFS Office of Sustainable Fisheries
	60	<b>MAFAC Discussion</b>	
3:00-3:15	15	<b>Break</b>	
3:15-5:00	45	<b>Gulf Aquaculture Amendment Discussion</b> - Gulf Council (15 min)  - Industry (15 min)  - NOAA Aquaculture Program (15 min)	Tom McIlwain, Chairman, Gulf of Mexico Regional Fishery Management Council  Peter Smith Sr. Vice President Waldemar S. Nelson and Company, Inc.  Michael Rubino, NOAA Aquaculture Program Manager
	60	<b>MAFAC Discussion</b>	
5:00		<b>Adjourn</b>	

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<b>Day 3 – Friday, November 14, 2008</b>			
<b>Time</b>	<b>Min.</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Presenter</b>
8:30-10:15	105	<p><b>Policies Influencing U.S. Fisheries Infrastructure</b>  <i>Part I – Gulf experience &amp; Response to Hurricane events</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- NMFS SERO/Report to Congress (25 min)</li> <li>- GSMFC/ Emerg. Disaster Recovery Pgm. and Coastal Recovery (30 min)</li> <li>- Industry Perspective (25 min)</li> <li>- Fishing Communities: Socio-economic Data &amp; Research issues (25 min)</li> </ul>	<p>Phil Steele, NMFS SE Region Assistant Regional Administrator Sustainable Fisheries</p> <p>Larry Simpson, Executive Dir., Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission</p> <p>Harlon Pearce, Commercial Fisherman, Gulf Mexico Council member, LA Seafood Promotion &amp; Marketing Board</p> <p>Rita Curtis, NMFS Office of Science and Technology</p>
10:15-10:30		Break	
10:30-12:00	90	<b>MAFAC Discussion</b>	
12:00	60	Lunch	
1:00-2:30	90	<p><b>Policies Influencing U.S. Fisheries Infrastructure</b>  <i>Part II – Sustainable fishing communities</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Industry Assistance (Fishery failure regulations/Disaster Assistance; Vessel Buybacks; Loan Programs) (30 min)</li> <li>- Capacity Reduction Policies (Overcapacity Report to Congress) (30 min)</li> <li>- National Ocean Service &amp; Preserving Working Waterfronts (30 min)</li> </ul>	<p>Gary Reisner, Director, NMFS Office of Management and Budget</p> <p>Alan Risenhoover, Director, NMFS Office of Sustainable Fisheries</p> <p>Ralph Cantral, Senior Advisor, NOS Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management</p>
2:30-3:30	60	<b>MAFAC Discussion</b>	
3:30-3:45	15	Break	
3:45	45	<b>New Business; Review of Action Items, Next Steps; Time and Place, Agenda Next Meeting</b>	
4:30		<b>Adjourn</b>	