

# GULF STATES MARINE FISHERIES COMMISSION

73<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL MEETING



OCTOBER 16 - 19, 2022

SAN ANTONIO MARRIOTT RIVERWALK  
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

**Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission  
73<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting**

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Sunday, October 16, 2022**

**Room**

3:00pm – 5:00pm      Early Registration      **Alamo Ballroom Foyer EF**

**Monday, October 17, 2022**

**Room**

8:00am – 5:00pm      Registration      **Alamo Ballroom Foyer EF**

8:30am – 5:00pm      TCC Data Management Subcommittee  
*Steve Brown, Chairman*      **Alamo Ballroom Salon EF**

8:30am – 12:00pm      TCC Crab Subcommittee  
*Ryan Gandy, Chairman*      **Alamo Ballroom Salon D**

8:30am – 12:00pm      TCC SEAMAP Subcommittee  
*Ted Switzer, Chairman*      **Bowie**

9:00am – 4:00pm      Reef Fish Extension Advisory Panel Meeting  
*Marcus Drymon, Chairman*      **Travis**

1:00pm – 5:00pm      S/FFMC Menhaden Advisory Committee  
*Trevor Moncrief, Chairman*      **Bowie**

1:00pm – 5:00pm      TCC Molluscan Shellfish Subcommittee  
*Evan Pettis, Chairman*      **Alamo Ballroom Salon D**

5:30pm – 7:30pm      Lyles-Simpson Award Dinner      **River Terrace Room**

**Tuesday, October 18, 2022**

**Room**

8:00am – 5:00pm      Registration      **Alamo Ballroom Foyer EF**

8:30am – 5:00pm      GSMFC Law Enforcement Committee/  
GMFMC Law Enforcement Technical Committee  
*Scott Pearce, Chairman*      **Alamo Ballroom Salon D**

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**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

**Tuesday, October 18, 2022 (continued)**

**Room**

8:30am – 5:00pm	Technical Coordinating Committee	Alamo Ballroom Salon EF
	8:30am – 12:00pm General Session: “ <i>Advanced Technologies in Marine Fisheries</i> ”	
	1:30pm – 5:00pm Business Meeting <i>Darin Topping, Chairman</i>	
12:00pm – 1:30pm	Luncheon	Alamo Ballroom Salon C
1:30pm – 5:00pm	Sea Grant Fisheries Extension Advisory Panel <i>Laura Picariello, Chairman</i>	Bowie
5:30pm – 7:00pm	Dinner	River Terrace Room

**Wednesday, October 19, 2022**

**Room**

7:00am – 8:30am	Executive Committee Breakfast	Bowie
8:00am – 12:00pm	Registration	Alamo Ballroom Foyer EF
8:45am – 10:00am	State-Federal Fisheries Mgmt. Committee <i>Scott Bannon, Chairman</i>	Alamo Ballroom Salon EF
11:00am – 5:00pm	Commission Business Meeting <i>Doug Boyd, Chairman</i>	Alamo Ballroom Salon EF
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Commissioners’ Luncheon	Riverview Room

**Monday, October 17, 2022**

**TCC Data Management Subcommittee Meeting  
8:30am – 5:00pm**

1. Call to Order – *Steve Brown, Chairman*
2. Adoption of Agenda – *Steve Brown*
3. Approval of Minutes (September 23, 2020) – *Steve Brown*
4. Update on VESL Development Progress – *Andrew Petersen*
5. Progress on Reef Fish Conversion Factor Research – *Donna Bellais*

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6. Update on Warehousing State Recreational Survey Data – *Gregg Bray*
7. Update on GulfFIN Oracle Cloud Transition – *Gregg Bray*
8. Other Business

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9. Commercial Data Review Session (Closed session for confidential data users only)  
Adjourn

**Monday October 17, 2022**

**TCC Crab Subcommittee Meeting  
8:30am – 12:00pm**

1. Call to Order – *Ryan Gandy, Chairman*
2. Adoption of Agenda – *Ryan Gandy*
3. Approval of Minutes (March 15, 2022) – *Ryan Gandy*
4. State Crab Monitoring through SuRF Funding – *All*
5. Status of the Fishery and the Effectiveness of Current Approaches to Management – *All*
  - a. Juvenile Abundances (<30mm CW)
  - b. TX Trends

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6. Current Crab Trap License, BRD, and TED Requirements – *All*
  7. Summary of Written Reports
    - a. Derelict Trap Clean-ups
    - b. State Fishery Updates
  8. Election of Officers – *All*
  9. Other Business
- Adjourn

*Meeting Room: Alamo Ballroom Salon D*

**Monday October 17, 2022**

**TCC SEAMAP Subcommittee Meeting  
8:30am – 12:00pm**

1. Call to Order – *Ted Switzer, Chairman*
2. Adoption of Agenda – *Ted Switzer*
3. Approval of Minutes (July 26, 2022) – *Ted Switzer*
4. Administrative Report – *Jeff Rester*
5. G-FISHER Reef Fish Update – *Ted Switzer*
6. Plans for FY2023 Funding – *All*
7. Mud Tows in the Trawl Surveys – *Jeff Rester*
8. Public SEAMAP Database Distribution – *Jeff Rester*
9. TRiP Discussion – *Eric Hoffmayer*
10. Menhaden Bycatch Study – *Jeff Rester*
11. Election of Officers - *All*
12. Other Business  
Adjourn

*Meeting Room: Bowie*

**Monday October 17, 2022**

**Reef Fish Extension Advisory Panel Meeting  
9:00am – 4:00pm**

1. Welcome/Introductions – *Marcus Drymon, Chairman*
2. Introduction to Reef Fish Extension Project – *Marcus Drymon*
3. Results of First Reef Fish Extension Survey (Part 1) – *Sarah Gibbs*

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4. Results of First Reef Fish Extension Survey (Part 2) – *Sarah Gibbs*

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5. Feedback and Topics to Explore in Future Reef Fish Extension Surveys – *Advisory Panel*

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6. Ways to Survey Caribbean Stakeholders, Charter Sector, and Commercial Sector – *Advisory Panel*
7. Wrap Up – *All*  
Adjourn

*Meeting Room: Travis*

**Monday October 17, 2022**

**State-Federal Fisheries Management Commission  
Menhaden Advisory Committee Meeting  
1:00pm – 5:00pm**

1. Call to Order – *Trevor Moncrief, Chairman*
2. Adoption of Agenda – *Trevor Moncrief*
3. Approval of Minutes (March 15, 2022) – *Trevor Moncrief*
4. Review of 2022 Gulf Menhaden Season – *Ray Mroch*
5. Update on the Atlantic Menhaden Fishery – *Ray Mroch*
6. Report on Texas Cap for 2022 – *Carey Gelpi/Ray Mroch*
7. Review of Port Sample Acquisition & Processing in 2022 and 2023 – *Ray Mroch/Steve VanderKooy*

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8. Data Needs for an Ecosystem Approach to Menhaden Management – *Kim de Mutsert*
9. Pre-season Forecast Historic Performance – *Ray Mroch*
10. Harvest Control Rule and Annual Index – *Robert Leaf/Catherine Wilhelm*
11. Marine Stewardship Certification of Gulf Menhaden Updates
  - a. Gulf Certification – *Peter Himchak*
  - b. NOAA Observer Steering Committee – *Francois Kuttel*
12. Election of Officers - *All*
13. Other Business  
Adjourn

*Meeting Room: Bowie*



**Monday October 17, 2022**

**TCC Molluscan Shellfish Subcommittee Meeting  
1:00pm – 5:00pm**

1. Call to Order/Introductions – *Evan Pettis, Chairman*
2. Adoption of Agenda – *Evan Pettis*
3. Approval of Minutes (March 15, 2022) – *Evan Pettis*
4. State Oyster Updates (Resource status, on- and off-bottom harvest, restoration) – *All*
  - a. Texas
  - b. Louisiana
  - c. Mississippi
  - d. Alabama
  - e. Florida
5. Gulf of Mexico Oyster Genetics and Breeding Research Consortium – *Eric Saillant*

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6. Discussion of Oyster Harvest Closure Criteria and Methodology – *All*
    - a. Texas
    - b. Louisiana
    - c. Mississippi
    - d. Alabama
    - e. Florida
  7. GOMA Oyster Community of Practice – *Emma Clarkson*
  8. Election of Officers – *All*
  9. Other Business
- Adjourn

*Meeting Room: Alamo Ballroom Salon D*

**Tuesday, October 18, 2022**

**GSMFC Law Enforcement Committee/  
GMFMC Law Enforcement Technical Committee Meeting**

**Closed Session:** 8:30am – 9:15am

1. Introductions – *Scott Pearce*, Chairman
2. Approval of Summary (March 30, 2022 – Virtual; closed session) – *Scott Pearce*
3. Revisions to Council SOPPs Regarding Fishing Violations – *Ava Lasseter*

**General Session:** 9:30am – 5:00pm

**Gulf Council LETC Items:**

1. Introductions/Adoption of Agenda – *Scott Pearce*, Chairman
2. Approval of Minutes (October 12, 2021 – Virtual) – *Scott Pearce*
3. Potential Management Changes to Vermilion Snapper and Gray Triggerfish – *Ava Lasseter*
4. Changes to Mexico Status Due to IUU Enforcement – *Lisa Matoi/Les Casterline*

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5. IFQ Landing Transaction Discrepancies – *Dean Aucoin*
6. State-Licensed Charters Fishing in Federal Waters – *Patrick Carron*
7. Framework Actions to Change For-hire Requirements – *Ava Lasseter*
  - a. Modification to Location Reporting Requirements for For-hire Vessels
  - b. Modification of For-hire Vessel Trip Declaration Requirements
8. SEFHIER Program Update – *SERO*

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9. Return 'Em Right – *Nick Haddad*
10. Nomination Process for 2022 Officer/Team of the Year Award – *All*

**GSMFC LEC Items:**

11. Follow-up on the Future of the Strategic and Operations Plans – *All*
12. Discussion on FADs in State Waters – *All*
13. IJF Program Activity – *Steve VanderKooy*
  - a. Red Drum Profile Status
  - b. Mangrove Snapper Profile Preparations
  - c. Commission Publications

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**Tuesday, October 18, 2022**

**GSMFC Law Enforcement Committee/  
GMFMC Law Enforcement Technical Committee Meeting (continued)**

14. State Report Highlights – *All*
    - a. Florida
    - b. Alabama
    - c. Mississippi
    - d. Louisiana
    - e. Texas
    - f. USCG
    - g. NOAA OLE
    - h. USFWS
  15. Other Business
- Adjourn

*Meeting Room: Alamo Ballroom Salon D*

**Tuesday, October 18, 2022**

**Technical Coordinating Committee Meeting  
8:30am – 5:00pm**

1. Call to Order/Introductions – *Darin Topping, Chairman*
2. Adoption of Agenda – *Darin Topping*
3. Approval of Minutes (March 16, 2022) – *Darin Topping*
4. General Session: Advanced Technologies in Marine Fisheries
  - a. Welcome Remarks – *Dave Donaldson*
  - b. Sairdron – *Matt Womble*
  - c. Chesapeake Bay Foundation Oyster Monitoring Technology Challenge – *Doug Myers*

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- d. Mapping and Remote Sensing for Oysters in Texas – *Emma Clarkson/Evan Pettis*
- e. Continuous Video with AI to Monitor Recreational Fisheries – *Tiffanie Cross*
- f. Life History Investigative Tools for Gulf Sturgeon – *Meg Lamonte*

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5. SEFSC Shrimp Bycatch Survey – *Gary Decossas*
6. Development of Genomic Tools for Genetic Management of the Tripletail – *Eric Saillant*
7. DWH Hotspots Mapping Initiative Update – *Brett Falterman*
8. BOEM Gulf of Mexico Renewable Wind Energy Update – *Tershara Matthews*
9. SuRF Updates – *Steve VanderKooy*

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10. Review and Approval of Onboarding Materials for New TCC Members – *Charlie Robertson*
  11. Subcommittee Reports
    - a. Artificial Reef – *James Ballard*
    - b. Data Management – *Steve Brown*
    - c. Molluscan Shellfish – *Evan Pettis*
    - d. SEAMAP – *Ted Switzer*
  12. State-Federal Highlights - *All*
  13. Election of Officers – *All*
  14. Other Business
- Adjourn

*Meeting Room: Alamo Ballroom Salon EF*

**Tuesday, October 18, 2022**

**Sea Grant Fisheries Extension Advisory Committee Meeting  
1:30pm – 5:00pm**

1. Call to Order/Introductions – *Laura Picariello, Chairman*
  2. Approval of Minutes – *All*
  3. Gulf Sea Grant Fisheries Extension State Reports
    - a. Florida – *Angela Collins/Andy Ropicki*
    - b. Mississippi/Alabama – *Marcus Drymon/Amanda Jefferson*
    - c. Louisiana – *Julie Lively/Dominique Seibert*
    - d. Texas – *Laura Picariello/Tony Reisinger*
  4. Regional Topics Discussion – *All*
    - a. Regional Projects and SG Collaborations
    - b. Other
  5. Other Business
- Adjourn

*Meeting Room: Bowie*

**Wednesday, October 19, 2022**

**State-Federal Fisheries Management Committee Meeting  
8:45am – 10:00am**

1. Call to Order – *Scott Bannon, Chairman*
2. Adoption of Agenda – *Scott Bannon*
3. Approval of Minutes (October 20, 2021) – *Scott Bannon*
4. Discussion and Final Approval of GulfFIN Funding Activities for 2023 – *Gregg Bray*
5. Discussion and Final Approval of SEAMAP Funding Activities for 2023 – *Jeff Rester*
6. Discussion and Final Approval of IJ State Research Funding for 2023 – *Steve VanderKooy*
7. Menhaden Advisory Committee Report – *Steve VanderKooy*
8. Review of NOAA Fisheries Saltwater Recreational Fishing Policy – *Russ Dunn*
9. Election of Officers – *All*
10. Other Business  
Adjourn

*Meeting Room: Alamo Ballroom Salon EF*

## **NOTES**

**Wednesday, October 19, 2022**

**Commission Business Meeting**

**11:00am – 5:00pm**

1. Call to Order, Introductions, Opening Comments – *Doug Boyd, Chairman*  
- Brief Overview of Commission Voting Procedures – *Dave Donaldson*
2. Adoption of Agenda – *Doug Boyd*
3. Approval of Minutes (March 17, 2022) – *Doug Boyd*
4. GSMFC Standing Committee Reports
  - a. Law Enforcement Committee – *Patrick Carron*
  - b. Technical Coordinating Committee – *Darin Topping*
    1. Artificial Reef Subcommittee
    2. Data Management Subcommittee
    3. Molluscan Shellfish Subcommittee
    4. SEAMAP Subcommittee
  - c. State-Federal Fisheries Management Committee – *Scott Bannon*
    1. GulfFIN Priorities
    2. SEAMAP Priorities
    3. IJF Priorities
    4. Menhaden Advisory Committee
5. Sea Grant Fisheries Extension Advisory Panel Meeting Report – *Laura Picariello*
6. NOAA Fisheries Southeast Regional Office Comments – *Jack McGovern*
7. USFWS Region 4 Office Comments – *Allan Brown/Glenn Constant*
8. NOAA Fisheries Budget Update – *Dave Donaldson*

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9. Discussion of GSMFC's Involvement in NRDA Shrimp Effort Pilot Project – *Rebecca Hazelkorn*
10. Discussion of Purchasing Airline Travel Insurance for Commission Travel – *All*
11. Review and Approve GSMFC Administrative Manual – *All*
12. Selection of 2023 Lyles-Simpson Award Recipient – *All*
13. GSMFC Program Reports
  - a. Interjurisdictional Fisheries Program – *Steve VanderKooy*
  - b. Aquaculture Program – *Steve VanderKooy*
  - c. SEAMAP – *Jeff Rester*
  - d. CARES Act – *Jeff Rester*
  - e. Sportfish Restoration – *James Ballard*
  - f. Aquatic Nuisance Species Programs – *James Ballard*
  - g. Fisheries Information Network – *Gregg Bray*
  - h. SEFHIER – *Gregg Bray*
  - i. Fisheries Restoration – *Charlie Robertson*

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*Meeting Room: Alamo Ballroom Salon EF*



**Wednesday, October 19, 2022**

**Commission Business Meeting  
11:00am – 5:00pm (continued)**

14. Executive Committee Report – *Doug Boyd*
  - a. GSMFC Audit
  - b. Financial Statement (9/2022)
  - c. FY2023 Budget
  - d. Staff Compensation
15. State Directors' Reports
  - a. Florida – *Dan Ellinor*
  - b. Alabama – *Scott Bannon*
  - c. Mississippi – *Joe Spraggins*
  - d. Louisiana – *Jason Froeba*
  - e. Texas – *Chris Mace*
16. Future Meetings – *Nancy Marcellus*
  - a. October 19-21, 2023 – Louisiana
  - b. October 19-21, 2024 – Mississippi
17. Publications List and Web Statistics – *Dave Donaldson*
  - a. Publications
  - b. GSMFC Website
18. Election of Officers – *All*
  - a. Chairman – Alabama Rotation
  - b. 1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chairman – Louisiana Rotation
  - c. 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chairman – Mississippi Rotation
19. Other Business  
Adjourn

*Meeting Room: Alamo Ballroom Salon EF*

## **SOCIAL EVENTS\***

### **Monday, October 17, 2022**

### **Room**

5:30pm – 7:30pm	Lyles-Simpson Award Dinner <i>2020 Recipient – Harriet Perry</i>	River Terrace Room
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### **Tuesday, October 18, 2022**

12:00pm – 1:30pm	Luncheon	Alamo Ballroom Salon C
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5:30pm – 7:00pm	Dinner	River Terrace Room
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**\*You must be registered for the meeting to attend these functions.**

**Name badge required.**

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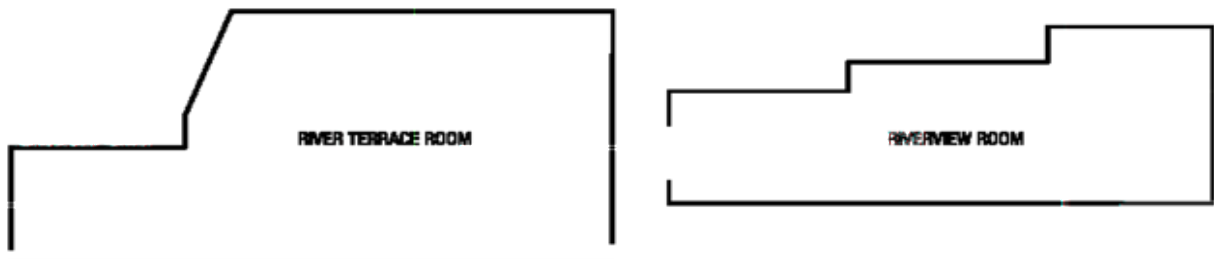
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