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Atlantic Menhaden Technical Committee Meeting

November 5-6, 2014
Raleigh, NC

DRAFT AGENDA

The order in which these items will be taken is subject to change; other items may be added as necessary.

Please note: This meeting is open to the public, with the exception of discussions of confidential data, when the public will be asked to leave the room.

Wednesday, November 5 8:30 am – 5:30 pm

1. Call to order/introductions/meeting procedures (*Dean*)
2. Review and approve agenda (*Dean*)
3. Briefly review terms of reference (*Schueller*)
4. Regulatory History (*Waine*)
5. Life history
 - a. Age, growth, maturity, fecundity (*Schueller*)
 - b. Natural mortality (*Cieri*)
6. Commercial reduction fishery (*J. Smith*)
7. Commercial bait fishery (*M. Waine*)
8. Relative indices of abundance (*Schueller*)
 - a. Treatment of indices
 - b. Index comparison
 - c. Indices used in the assessment
9. Assessment Model (*Schueller*)
 - a. Model configuration (e.g., selectivity)
 - b. Sensitivity analysis
 - c. Retrospective analysis
 - d. Model results
10. Reference Points and Stock Status (*Schueller*)
11. Research and Modeling Recommendations (*Nesslage*)
12. Appendices
13. Public comment

Thursday, November 6 8:30 am – 5:00 pm

14. Continue menhaden benchmark assessment agenda from previous day
15. Review BERP report in afternoon (*Cieri*)
16. Elect vice chair (*Waine*)
17. Public comment