



**Gulf of Mexico
Fishery Management Council
Council Coordinating Committee**

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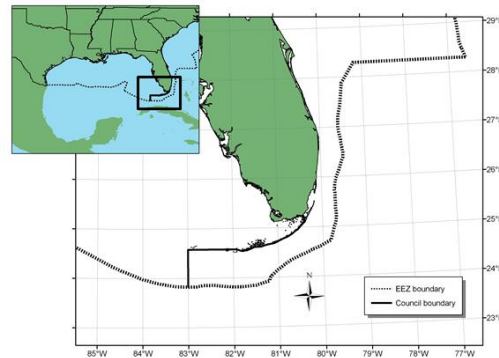
Gulf of Mexico Management Council



- Five states
- 1,631 miles of coast
- 700 species harvested

Management Priorities

1. Red Snapper Regional Management
2. Allocation Issues in king mackerel and red snapper
3. Cross-jurisdictional Management in South Florida

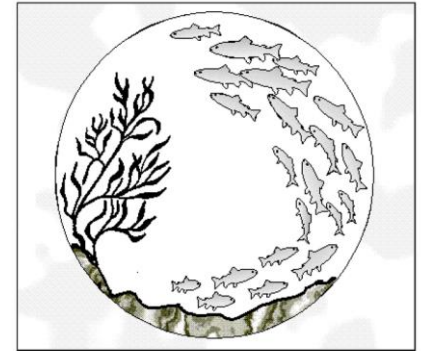


Management Priorities

4. Rebuilding Greater Amberjack
5. IFQ Modifications
6. Electronic Monitoring
7. NS1 Guidelines/MSA Reauthorization



**Magnuson-Stevens
Fishery Conservation and
Management Act**
As Amended Through January 12, 2007



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Red Snapper Regional Management

- Institute differing regulations among states/regions
- Delegation vs. Summer Flounder Model
- Allocation
 - Intrinsically difficult
 - Changing recreational harvest estimates

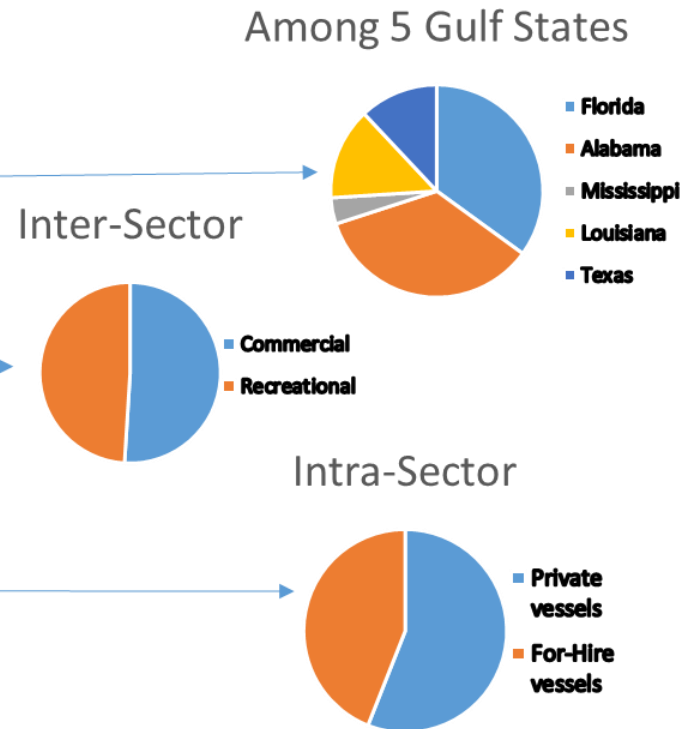


Allocation Issues

Red Snapper – Rebuilding Plan

Dividing the quota:

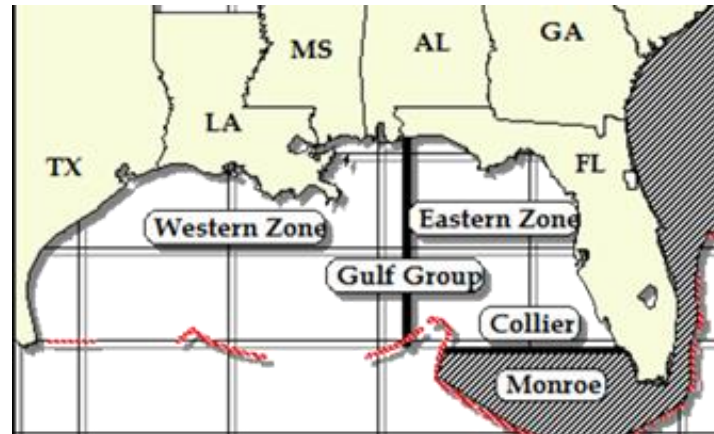
- Among the 5 Gulf States (Regional Management)
- Between commercial and recreational sectors (Red Snapper Allocation)
- Within a sector, among private vessels and for-hire vessels (Sector Separation)



Allocation Issues

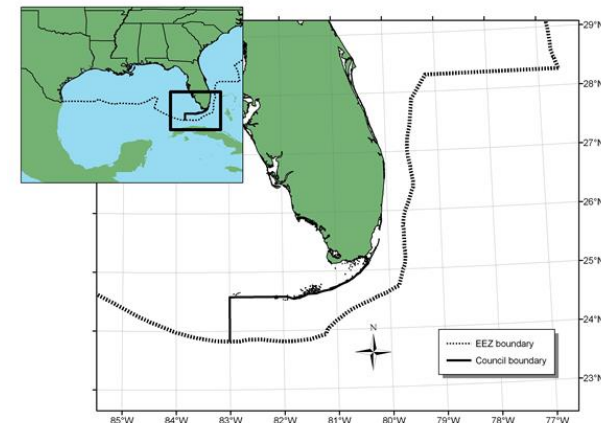
King Mackerel – Above OY

- Between Fishing Zones
- Between Sectors - Recreational quotas not being met



South Florida Issues

- Shallow Water Grouper Closures
- Limited Geography of Shared Stocks
 - Yellowtail Snapper
 - Mutton Snapper
 - Black Grouper
- Joint Plan to Establish Consistent Regulations
- Delegation



Questions?

