South Atlantic Fishery Management Council

ACLs, Actions to End Overfishing and Rebuilding Status



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Species Experiencing Overfishing (all are in the snapper grouper fishery)

Golden tilefish Snowy grouper Black sea bass Speckled hind Warsaw grouper Gag grouper Red grouper Black grouper Vermilion snapper Red snapper

Meet 2010 ACL deadline Meet 2011 ACL deadline

Golden tilefish	Yes
Snowy grouper	Yes
Black sea bass	Yes
Speckled hind	Yes
Warsaw grouper	Yes
Gag grouper	Yes
Red grouper	Yes
Black grouper	Yes
Vermilion snapper	Yes
Red snapper	Yes

All other species (86)



Actions to End Overfishing

Snapper Grouper Amendment 13C (implemented in October 2006) ended overfishing for golden tilefish (in 2006) and snowy grouper and black sea bass (in 2008)

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Snapper Grouper Amendment 16 (now under Secretarial review) proposes actions that will end overfishing of gag grouper, red grouper, black grouper and vermilion snapper

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Snapper Grouper Amendment 6 (implemented in 1994) should have ended overfishing for speckled hind and Warsaw grouper, however, there has not been a stock assessment conducted for these species since the amendment was implemented

Actions to End Overfishing

- In June 2008 the Council was notified that red snapper was experiencing overfishing
- Amendment 17 (now being developed) contains actions that will end overfishing for red snapper
- The Council will also consider an Interim Rule request to prohibit all harvest and possession of red snapper at the March Council meeting

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All other 86 species managed by the SAFMC are either not experiencing overfishing (29) or the overfishing status is unknown (57)

Overfished/Rebuilding Plans Status

- Snowy grouper Year 4 of 34
- Black sea bass Year 4 of 10
- Red porgy Year 10 of 16
- Pink Shrimp N/A Annual crop
- Red snapper Being developed
- 13 Species Not overfished
- 78 Species Overfished status unknown

Scheduled Stock Assessments
Black & red grouper - 2009
Black sea bass - 2011
Speckled hind & Warsaw grouper - 2012

Stock Assessment Updates
Snowy grouper & golden tilefish - 2010
Gag grouper - 2011
Red porgy - 2012