

**GRAY'S REEF NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY
ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING
August 23, 2021, 10:00 AM - 1:50 PM**

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SAC Members have been invited to attend as Panelists (see registration confirmation sent by email)

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Agenda (FINAL)

(All times are subject to possible adjustment)

9:30 AM **Council Member Early Check-In to Test Connections, Video, and Audio**

10:00 AM **Remote Meeting Administration - Scott Kathey (5 min.)**

- Panelists - please make use of your webcam if possible.
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10:05 AM **Advisory Council Business (20 min.)**

- Welcome, introductions and agenda review – Michael Denmark, Sanctuary Advisory Council (SAC) Chair
- Roll Call - Mona Behl, SAC Secretary
- Recognition and awards for departing SAC member Mark Padgett - Michael Denmark
- Approve April 2021 meeting minutes (council action) – Michael Denmark
- Clarification of differences between a SAC subcommittee and working group - Scott Kathey

10:25 AM **GRNMS Advisory Council Charter Review Committee Report & Recommendations - Michael Denmark (45 min.)**

- Introduction of committee members and synopsis of deliberations
- Discussion and consideration of the following 6 recommended revisions to [the charter](#):
 - Change the title of the current "Commercial/Charter Fishing" seat to "Fishing Industry" to include commercial fishing/charter interests, tackle/bait shops, marinas, etc.
 - Create a third Citizen At-Large seat to foster broader inclusion of community interests on the SAC
 - Change term duration of all Citizen At-Large seats from 2 to 3 years
 - Stagger Citizen At-Large recruitments to facilitate a new Citizen At-Large recruitment each year. This will create an annual opportunity to diversify perspectives on the SAC from various interest groups across the region as the SAC addresses emergent issues.

- Change officer term limits for the SAC Secretary to match the existing term limits for the Chair and Vice-Chair officer positions.
- Change the title of the "Secretary" officer position to "Operations Officer" to better reflect the purpose and duties of the position.

- 11:10 AM **Superintendent's Report - Stan Rogers (30 min.)**
- Connectivity Workshop synopsis and outcomes
 - Visitor Center update
 - Public comments received re: economic impacts of the 2008 Research Area designation
- 11:40 AM **Break (15 min.)**
- 11:55 AM **[America the Beautiful Initiative \(30x30 goals\)](#) and Determination of Future SAC Action - Michael Denmark (60 min.)**
- Overview of initiative goals and guidance - Lauren Wenzel (NOAA ONMS)
 - Q&A session
 - Discussion: Does the council wish to engage on this request for input?
 - Discussion: If a SAC contribution is desired, what proposals might the SAC recommend for conservation actions in the South Atlantic Bight that could help achieve the goal of conserving 30% of US waters by 2030?
 - Next steps
- 12:55 PM **[National Academy of Public Administration \(NAPA\) Assessment of National Marine Sanctuary Program, It's Recommendations, and SAC Input to NOAA](#) - Michael Denmark (30 min.)**
- Overview of NAPA Findings & Recommendations - Scott Kathey (GRNMS)
 - Update on SAC member comments to date, invitation for additional SAC member input, and revised deadline - Michael Denmark
- 1:25 PM **Individual SAC Member Updates (10 min.)**
- 1:35 PM **Selection of Next SAC Meeting Date and Time - Michael Denmark (5 min.)**
- Recommended week of November 8
- 1:40 PM **Public Comment - Michael Denmark (5 min.)**
- 1:45 PM **Closing Remarks - Michael Denmark (5 min.)**
- 1:50 PM **Adjourn**

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