

GRAY'S REEF NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary Ocean Discovery Center

340 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.
Savannah, GA 31401

Tuesday, April 30, 2024, 10:00 AM – 5:05 PM

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09:30 AM Council Member Early Check-In to Test Connections, Video, and Audio

- 10:00 AM Remote Meeting Protocols Review – Scott Kathey [5 min]**
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ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS

- 10:05 AM Administrative Items – Russell Kent, Chair [25 min]**
- Welcome and agenda review
 - Roll Call & Quorum Determination – Lauren Stefaniak, Vice-Chair
 - **COUNCIL ACTION** – Edit & Approve January 9, 2024 Sanctuary Advisory Council (SAC) meeting summary by consensus.
 - **COUNCIL ACTION** - Advisory Council Executive Officer election.

OLD BUSINESS

- 10:30 AM** **Executive Committee Presentation of Four Draft SAC 30 X 30 Recommendations to NOAA Regarding Enhancement of Marine Conservation in the South Atlantic Bight Complementary to [GRNMS Ecosystem Management Goals](#) & the [President's America the Beautiful initiative](#)** **[30 min]**
- 11:00 AM** **POSSIBLE COUNCIL ACTION: MOTION to accept proposed draft SAC 30 X 30 recommendations with or without modifications.** **[30 min]**

REPORTS

- 11:30 PM** **Superintendent's Report – Stan Rogers** **[45 min]**
SAC member questions are welcome during presentation of the superintendent's report.
 - Update on sanctuary conservation and management activities.
- 12:15 PM** **LUNCH BREAK (Ocean Discovery Center Gift Store open during lunch)** **[90 min]**
- 1:45 PM** **Georgia Ports Authority – Lee Beckmann** **[90 min]**
 - Presentation about current and future port operations at Savannah and Brunswick.
- 3:15 PM** **BREAK** **[15 min]**
- 3:30 PM** **Public Engagement Working Group Update – Jeff Soss** **[15 min]**

NEW BUSINESS

- 3:45 PM** **Public Comment and Potential SAC Member Discussion** **[15 min]**
- 4:00 PM** **SAC Member Comments (primary members only)** **[60 min]**
 - 3 minutes per member
 - Opportunity to comment on any item on this agenda, suggest future agenda topics, present ideas, share perspectives from member's represented community or agency, etc.
- 5:00 PM** **Closing Remarks – Russell Kent** **[5 min]**
- 5:05 PM** **Adjourn**

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