

Workshop on Fish Traps in the Gulf of Mexico Reef Fish Fishery

Tuesday, Dec 15th, 2009, 10 AM-4 PM
Florida Wildlife Research Institute, 100 8th Avenue SE, St. Petersburg
3rd floor conference room
(Parking can be challenging, so carpooling is recommended)

Goal of the meeting: To explore benefits and potential impacts of reintroducing traps in the Gulf of Mexico reef fish fishery (Amendment 32).

Draft Agenda

- 10:00 AM Welcome and introductions; goal of the meeting
- 10:15 AM Why traps and why now?
- 10:30 AM History of fish trap use in the Gulf of Mexico Reef Fish Fishery
- 11:00 AM Benefits of using fish traps, and current designs
- NOON LUNCH (light lunch will be served)
- 12:45 PM Potential impacts of fish traps
- 1:30 PM Management challenges
- 2:15 PM Open discussion
- 3:00 PM Options for moving forward

All are welcome to attend. For more information, call:

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