



Gulf Council Issues

Review and Discussion

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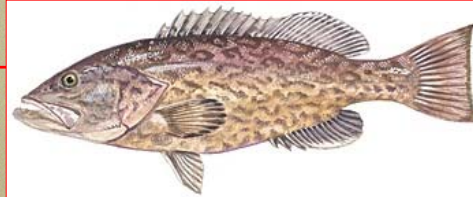
The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will meet the week of April 7-10, 2008, in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The following issues will be discussed and voted on by the Council. Following this meeting, staff will provide an update to this report.

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Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council Issues on April Agenda



- Aquaculture
- Red drum
- Reef fish
 - Gag grouper
 - Red grouper
 - Grouper IFQ



The Council will take final action on aquaculture and on gag grouper and red grouper. It will also continue discussions regarding a long term research program for red drum and, continue development of the grouper individual fishing quota program (IFQ). The Council will also hear reports from the ad hoc Recreational Red Snapper Advisory Panel, and a review of a Generic Accountability Measures Amendment for Reef Fish.