Amendment 5 to the Snapper-Grouper FMP established an individual transferable quota (ITQ) system in the wreckfish fishery that allows only ITQ shareholders to land and sell wreckfish, and allows only permitted dealers to handle wreckfish and to buy wreckfish from ITQ shareholders. Recently, reports indicate that wreckfish is being caught by recreational fishermen fishing primarily for red grouper off Key West, FL. Also, commercial snapper-grouper fishermen, especially off south Florida, are experiencing occasional wreckfish bycatch. These reports do not indicate frequency or poundage of catches, how the catches are being disposed of, that the catches are of significant quantities or the frequency of these occurrences.

The Council is considering the following management options for regulating this fishery: (1) No action (i.e., continue to prohibit the taking or landing of wreckfish in the South Atlantic region except by individual transferable quota (ITQ) shareholders; (2) set a recreational bag limit of 1 or 2 fish per fisherman per trip; (3) set a

recreational bag limit of 1 or 2 fish per boat per trip; (4) set a recreational bag limit of 1 or 2 fish per boat per day; (5)set an undetermined recreational bag limit; (6) set a bag limit of 1 or 2 fish per boat per trip for commercial fishermen in the South Atlantic region who are not wreckfish ITQ shareholders; (7) set a bag limit of 1 or 2 fish per boat per day for commercial fishermen in the South Atlantic region who are not wreckfish ITQ shareholders; (8) set a bag limit of 1 or 2 fish per boat per trip for commercial fishermen in the south Florida area who are not wreckfish ITQ shareholders; (9) set a bag limit of 1 to 2 fish per boat per day for commercial fishermen in the south Florida area who are not wreckfish ITQ shareholders; (10) allow for an undetermined commercial bag limit in the South Atlantic region; and (11) allow for an undetermined commercial bag limit only in the South Florida area.

Written public comments on the subjects of the scoping meetings, including any Council scoping documents made available to the public, may be submitted to the Council from the time of the scoping meetings until such time as the Council has prepared appropriate and related public hearing documents that are available for public comment. For copies of the public scoping documents (see ADDRESSES).

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office by June 16, 1995.

For special accommodations regarding the meetings and hearing, contact the Council (see **ADDRESSES**).

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