

## **Terms of Reference for the Peer Review of the Gulf Grouper Status Review Report**

### Status Review of the Gulf Grouper (*Mycteroperca jordani*)

Evaluate the adequacy, appropriateness and application of data used in the Status Review document.

1. In general, does the Status Review include and cite the best scientific and commercial information available on the species, its biology, stock structure, habitats, threats, and risks of extinction?
2. Are the scientific conclusions factually supported, sound, and logical?
3. Where available, are opposing scientific studies or theories acknowledged and discussed?
4. Are uncertainties assessed and clearly stated?

### Assessment of Extinction Risk for the Gulf Grouper

1. Are the methods used for the Extinction Risk Analysis valid and appropriate?
2. Are the results and conclusions of the Extinction Risk Analysis supported by the information presented?
3. Are uncertainties assessed and clearly stated?

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