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MCMR certifies new state saltwater fishing records

BILOXI, Miss. – The Mississippi Commission on Marine Resources (MCMR) certified two recreational saltwater conventional tackle records during its July 15 meeting.

Billy Bridgett of Ocean Springs set a state conventional tackle record for oyster toadfish (*Opsanus tau*) with a 2-pound, 4.2-ounce fish on June 6, 2014.

Ryan C. Brushaber of Pascagoula set a state conventional tackle record for speckled hind (*Epinephelus drummondhayi*) with a 1-pound, 9.3-ounce fish on June 7, 2014.

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is dedicated to enhancing, protecting and conserving marine interests of the state by managing all marine life, public trust wetlands, adjacent uplands and waterfront areas to provide for the optimal commercial, recreational, educational and economic uses of these resources consistent with environmental concerns and social changes. Visit the MDMR online at www.dmr.ms.gov.

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Photo A: Billy Bridgett of Ocean Springs set a state record for oyster toadfish.



Photo B: Ryan C. Brushaber of Pascagoula set a state record for speckled hind.



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