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MDMR officials to close three fishing seasons by end of week

BILOXI, Miss. – Officials with the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources announced this week the closing of two commercial fishing seasons and one recreational fishing season in Mississippi territorial waters by the end of October.

The commercial fishing season for Spotted Seatrout (*Cynoscion nebulosus*) will close on Oct. 31, 2015 at 11:59 p.m. The commercial fishing season will reopen on Feb. 1, 2016 at 12:01 a.m.

The commercial fishing season for Red Drum (*Sciaenops ocellatus*) will close on Oct. 30, 2015 at 11:59 p.m. The commercial fishing season will reopen Jan. 1, 2016 at 12:01 a.m.

The recreational fishing season for Red Snapper (*Lutjanus campechanus*) will close on Oct. 31, 2015 at 11:59 p.m.

The closings are under the authority of Mississippi Code Ann.49-15-15(1)(a)(2009), through the authority granted to the executive director of the MDMR by the Mississippi Commission on Marine Resources and in accordance with the provisions of Title 22 Part 07, Ch. 09 Sec. 109.

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 DMR online at www.dmr.ms.gov.

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