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Commercial season for Speckled Trout will not reopen June 1

BILOXI, Miss. – Officials with the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources announced Tuesday that the commercial season for Speckled Trout will not reopen Friday, June 1.

There are two commercial seasons for Speckled Trout: Feb. 1 through May 31 and June 1 through Oct. 31. The limit in each season is 25,000 pounds.

The agency discovered that because of underreporting, the annual quota of 50,000 pounds has been met.

The Office of Marine Patrol currently is investigating the underreporting, and the season is closed until further notice. No further information will be available until the investigation is complete.

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 dmr.ms.gov.

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