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CMR certifies three state fishing records

BILOXI, Miss. – The state Commission on Marine Resources on Tuesday certified three state fishing records.

Mark Ros, Jr. of Pascagoula set the record for the Southern Kingfish (*Menticirrhus americanus*) with a fish weighing 2 pounds, .84 ounces. The previous record was 1 pound, 14 ounces and was set in 1985.

Scott Floyd of Pascagoula set a record for the Oyster Toadfish (*Opsanus tau*) with a fish weighing 2 pounds, 4.48 ounces. The previous record of 2 pounds, 4.2 ounces, was set in 2014.

Elijah Troutman of Ocean Springs set a record for a Red Lionfish (*Pterois volitans*) with a fish weighing 1 pound, 11.41 ounces. The previous record of 1 pound, 11.2 ounces, was set in 2015.

Photos courtesy MS Department of Marine Resources

- 1. Mark Ros Jr.**
- 2. Scott Floyd**
- 3. Elijah Troutman**

Editor's note: Elijah Troutman is not shown holding his fish because the Red Lionfish is poisonous.

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