



## MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES

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### ***Commercial King Mackerel Season Closing Sept. 27***

BILOXI, Miss. – The commercial fishing season for king mackerel (*Scomberomorus cavella*) will close in Mississippi territorial waters at noon Friday, Sept. 27, 2013.

The National Marine Fisheries Service has determined the annual commercial quota for king mackerel in the Western Zone of the Gulf of Mexico has been harvested. This zone goes from the U.S./Mexico border to the Alabama/Florida border.

The closing of this season is issued under the authority of Section 49-15-15 (1)(a)(2009) of the Mississippi Code and through the authority granted to the executive director of the state Department of Marine Resources by the Commission on Marine Resources.

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](http://www.dmr.ms.gov).

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