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Commission on Marine Resources October Meeting

October 16, 2018

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MDMR Administrative Penalties

Failure to Report Spotted Seatrout Landings

Investigation

- Sales receipts provided by Alabama Marine Resources Division revealed thousands of pounds of Spotted Seatrout sold in Alabama that were never reported on Mississippi Trip Tickets during the spring commercial season
- The sales receipts indicated Mississippi licensed commercial fisherman were selling their own catch directly to Alabama dealers

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Update

- Marine Patrol interviewed the fisherman to investigate non-compliance.
- Interviews resulted in an additional 28,663 pounds of Spotted Seatrout submitted to the Mississippi Trip Ticket Program
- Currently 1,290 pounds of Spotted Seatrout still non-reported

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MDMR Administrative Penalties

In the Matter of Billy Stork

Cause No. 2018-001

Failure to Report Spotted Seatrout Landings

ENHANCE ★ PROTECT ★ CONSERVE

In the Matter of Billy Stork

- On or about July 25, 2018, the Notice of Violation was served on Billy Stork by Marine Patrol Officer Patrick Carron.
- On or about August 6, 2018, MDMR received a written response from Mr. Stork.

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Evaluation by the Executive Director

- Billy Stork possess a valid Mississippi Spotted Seatrout Endorsement and a Fresh Products Permit.
- Billy Stork sold 2,079 lbs of Spotted Seatrout to PJ's Seafood in Coden, Alabama between February 1, 2018 and April 27, 2018.
- As of May 15, 2018, Billy Stork had reported 260 lbs of Spotted Seatrout on Mississippi Trip Tickets.
- Upon learning of the investigation Billy Stork late reported 1,819 lbs.

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Administrative Penalty

- Fine in the amount of $1,819.00 within 45 days, if necessary
- Legal counsel may establish a six-month payment plan
- ~~Have no new fishing violations in any jurisdiction for a period of one year~~
- ~~The remaining $2,728.00 will be forgiven.~~

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Action by Commission

- The Commission may accept, reject, and/or modify the Executive Director's recommendation upon motion.

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MDMR Administrative Penalties

In the Matter of Ira Martin

Cause No. 2018-002

Failure to Report Spotted Seatrout Landings

ENHANCE ★ PROTECT ★ CONSERVE

In the Matter of Ira Martin

- On or about July 25, 2018, the Notice of Violation was served on Ira Martin by Marine Patrol Officer Patrick Carron.
- MDMR has not received a written response.

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Evaluation by the Executive Director

- Ira Martin possessed a valid Mississippi Fishing Boat License.
- Ira Martin did not possess a Mississippi Spotted Seatrout Endorsement or a Mississippi Fresh Products Permit at the time of the violation.
- Ira Martin sold 103 lbs of Spotted Seatrout to PJ's Seafood in Coden, Alabama between February 1, 2018 and April 27, 2018.
- As of May 15, 2018, Ira Martin had reported 0 lbs of Spotted Seatrout on Mississippi Trip Tickets.

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Administrative Penalty

- Fine in the amount of $303.00 ($103.00 for not reporting 103 lbs, $100.00 for not having a Spotted Seatrout Endorsement, and $100.00 for not having a Fresh Products Permit) within 45 days, if necessary
- Legal counsel may establish a six-month payment plan

- ~~Have no new fishing violations in any jurisdiction for a period of one year~~
- ~~The remaining $454.00 will be forgiven.~~

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Action by Commission

- The Commission may accept, reject, and/or modify the Executive Director's recommendation upon motion.
- Mr. Martin requested a settlement conference with the Executive Director. Mr. Martin informed us he will not be able to be present today, however, if you are going to raise the fine we would ask that you continue until the November hearing so that Mr. Martin can be present to make a statement.
- Mr. Martin also took responsibility for his mistake and attempted to pay the fine during the Settlement Conference.

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MDMR Administrative Penalties

In the Matter of Melissa Ryan

Cause No. 2018-003

Failure to Report Spotted Seatrout Landings

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In the Matter of Melissa Ryan

- On or about July 25, 2018, the Notice of Violation was served on Melissa Ryan by Marine Patrol Officer Patrick Carron.
- MDMR has not received a written response.

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Evaluation by the Executive Director

- Melissa Ryan possesses a valid Mississippi Spotted Seatrout Endorsement and a Fresh Products Permit.
- Melissa Ryan sold 3,697 lbs of Spotted Seatrout to Bryant Products Inc. in Bayou La Bartre, Alabama between February 1, 2018 and April 27, 2018.
- As of May 15, 2018, Melissa Ryan had reported 0 lbs of Spotted Seatrout on Mississippi Trip Tickets.
- Upon learning of the investigation Melissa Ryan late reported 3,697 lbs.

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Administrative Penalty

- Fine in the amount of $3,697.00 within 45 days, if necessary
- Legal counsel may establish a six-month payment plan
- ~~Have no new fishing violations in any jurisdiction for a period of one year~~
- ~~The remaining $5,545.00 will be forgiven.~~

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Action by Commission

- The Commission may accept, reject, and/or modify the Executive Director's recommendation upon motion.
- Mrs. Ryan did request a Settlement Conference and met with the Executive Director previous to this meeting.
- Mrs. Ryan would like to make a statement to the Commission at this time.

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MDMR Administrative Penalties

In the Matter of Marcene & Rayme Ryan

Cause No. 2018-004

Failure to Report Spotted Seatrout Landings

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In the Matter of Marcene & Rayme Ryan

- On or about July 25, 2018, the Notice of Violation was served on Rayme Ryan by Marine Patrol Officer Patrick Carron.
- On or about August 7, 2018 the MDMR received a written response from the Ryan's.

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Evaluation by the Executive Director

- Marcene & Rayme Ryan possess a valid Mississippi Spotted Seatrout Endorsement but do not posses a Fresh Products Permit.
- Marcene & Rayme Ryan sold 4,761 lbs of Spotted Seatrout to PJ's Seafood in Coden, Alabama between February 1, 2018 and April 27, 2018.
- As of May 15, 2018, the Ryan's had reported 0 lbs of Spotted Seatrout on Mississippi Trip Tickets.
- Upon learning of the investigation the Ryan's late reported 4,397 lbs and there are still 364 lbs that have not been reported.

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Administrative Penalty

- Fine in the amount of $4,761.00 within 45 days, if necessary
- Legal counsel may establish a six-month payment plan
- ~~Have no new fishing violations in any jurisdiction for a period of one year~~
- ~~The remaining $5,239.00 will be forgiven.~~

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Action by Commission

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MDMR Administrative Penalties

In the Matter of Wayne Tillman

Cause No. 2018-005

Failure to Report Spotted Seatrout Landings

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In the Matter of Wayne Tillman

- On or about July 25, 2018, the Notice of Violation was served on Wayne Tillman by Marine Patrol Officer Patrick Carron.
- On or about August 1, 2018 the MDMR received a written response from Mr. Tillman.

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Evaluation by the Executive Director

- Wayne Tillman possesses a valid Mississippi Spotted Seatrout Endorsement and a Fresh Products Permit.
- Wayne Tillman sold 514 lbs of Spotted Seatrout to PJ's Seafood in Coden, Alabama between February 1, 2018 and April 27, 2018.
- As of May 15, 2018, Wayne Tillman had reported 0 lbs of Spotted Seatrout on Mississippi Trip Tickets.
- Upon learning of the investigation Mr. Tillman late reported 514 lbs.

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Administrative Penalty

- Fine in the amount of $514.00 within 45 days, if necessary
- Legal counsel may establish a six-month payment plan
- ~~Have no new fishing violations in any jurisdiction for a period of one year~~
- ~~The remaining $771.00 will be forgiven.~~

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Action by Commission

- The Commission may accept, reject, and/or modify the Executive Director's recommendation upon motion.

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MDMR Administrative Penalties

In the Matter of Larry Ryan, Jr.

Cause No. 2018-006

Failure to Report Spotted Seatrout Landings

ENHANCE ★ PROTECT ★ CONSERVE

In the Matter of Larry Ryan, Jr.

- On or about July 25, 2018, the Notice of Violation was served on Larry Ryan, Jr. by Marine Patrol Officer Patrick Carron.
- On or about August 1, 2018 the MDMR received a written response from the Larry Ryan, Jr.

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES
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Evaluation by the Executive Director

- Larry Ryan, Jr. possess a valid Mississippi Spotted Seatrout Endorsement and a Fresh Products Permit.
- Larry Ryan, Jr. sold 12,752 lbs of Spotted Seatrout to PJ's Seafood in Coden, Alabama between February 1, 2018 and April 27, 2018.
- As of May 15, 2018, Mr. Ryan had reported 0 lbs of Spotted Seatrout on Mississippi Trip Tickets.
- Upon learning of the investigation Mr. Ryan late reported 12,505 lbs. and there are still 247 lbs that have not been reported.

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Administrative Penalty

- Fine in the amount of $10,000 within 45 days, if necessary
- Legal counsel may establish a six-month payment plan

- ~~Fine in the amount of $10,000.00 (because administrative penalties can't exceed $10,000.00)~~
- ~~Mr. Ryan requested a Settlement Conference but did not make it because his daughter went into labor 4 months early.~~

ENHANCE ★ PROTECT ★ CONSERVE

Action by Commission

- The Commission may accept, reject, and/or modify the Executive Director's recommendation upon motion.

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MDMR Administrative Penalties

In the Matter of Mark Lewis Sr.

Cause No. 2018-007

Failure to Report Spotted Seatrout Landings

ENHANCE ★ PROTECT ★ CONSERVE

In the Matter of Mark Lewis, Sr.

- On or about July 25, 2018, the Notice of Violation was served on Mark Lewis, Sr. by Marine Patrol Officer Patrick Carron.
- On or about August 5, 2018 the MDMR received a written response from Mr. Lewis.

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Evaluation by the Executive Director

- Mark Lewis, Sr. possesses a valid Mississippi Spotted Seatrout Endorsement and a Fresh Products Permit.
- Mark Lewis, Sr. sold 371 lbs of Spotted Seatrout to Bryant Products Inc. in Bayou La Bartre, Alabama between February 1, 2018 and April 27, 2018.
- As of May 15, 2018, Mark Lewis, Sr. had only reported 17 lbs of Spotted Seatrout on Mississippi Trip Tickets.
- Upon learning of the investigation Mr. Lewis, Sr. late reported 319 lbs and there are still 52 lbs that have not been reported.

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Administrative Penalty

- Fine in the amount of $354.00 within 45 days, if necessary
- Legal counsel may establish a six-month payment plan
- ~~Have no new fishing violations in any jurisdiction for a period of one year~~
- ~~The remaining $531.00 will be forgiven.~~

ENHANCE ★ PROTECT ★ CONSERVE

Action by Commission

- The Commission may accept, reject, and/or modify the Executive Director's recommendation upon motion.

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES
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DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES MARINE PATROL REPORT
TO THE COMMISSION ON MARINE RESOURCES
OCTOBER 16, 2018

OYSTER VIOLATION CITATIONS
Total- 0
FY 19 YTD: 0
FY 18 YTD: 2
Courtesy Citations-0
Verbal Warnings-0

SHRIMP VIOLATION CITATIONS
Total-0
FY 19 YTD: 0
FY 18 YTD: 1
Courtesy Citations-0
Verbal Warnings-0

CRAB VIOLATION CITATIONS
Untagged Crab Pots- **1**
Larceny of Crabs Traps- **1**
Total- 2
FY 19 YTD: 15
FY 18 YTD: 16
Courtesy Citations- 2
Verbal Warnings-0

LIVE BAIT VIOLATION CITATIONS
Total-0
FY 19 YTD: 0
FY 18 YTD: 0
Courtesy Citations-0
Verbal Warnings-0

NET FISHING VIOLATION CITATIONS
Total-0
FY 19 YTD: 0
FY 18 YTD: 0
Courtesy Citations-0
Verbal Warnings-0

MISCELLANEOUS COMMERCIAL SEAFOOD VIOLATION CITATIONS
No Commercial Seafood Dealer's License- **1**
No Non-Residential Seafood Dealer's License- **2**
No Commercial Seafood Dealer's Truck License- **1**
No Non-Residential Commercial Seafood Dealer's Truck License- **1**
Failure to Maintain Proper Records- **2**
Recreationally Caught Fish for Sale in Commercial Establishment-**1**
Total- 8
FY 19 YTD: 36
FY 18 YTD: 13
Courtesy Citations- 0
Verbal Warnings-0

FISHING VIOLATION CITATIONS
No Saltwater Fishing License- **10**
No Non-Resident Saltwater Fishing License- **2**
Possession of Undersized Red Drum- **3**
Possession of Undersized Spotted Sea Trout- **3**
Possession of Undersized Sheepshead- **1**
Possession of Gray Trigger Fish during closed Season- **1**
Possession of Red Snapper without a Landing Permit- **2**
Total- 22
FY 19 YTD: 94
FY 18 YTD: 189
Courtesy Citations- 1
Verbal Warnings-0

BOAT AND WATER SAFETY VIOLATION CITATIONS
Insufficient PFD's- **1**
Child Under 12 Without PFD- **1**
Skiing without an Observer- **1**
No Flare Kit- **1**
No Boat Registration- **7**
Improper Registration- **1**
Negligent Operation Involving Alcohol- **1**
Total- 13
FY 19 YTD: 68
FY 18 YTD: 92
Courtesy Citations- 3
Verbal Warnings- 0

MARINE LITTER VIOLATION CITATIONS
Total-0
FY 19 YTD: 1
FY 18 YTD: 2
Courtesy Citations-0
Verbal Warnings-0

WETLANDS VIOLATION CITATIONS
Total- 0
FY 19 YTD: 2
FY 18 YTD: 0
Courtesy Citations-0
Verbal Warnings-0

MISCELLANEOUS VIOLATION CITATIONS
Indecent Exposure- **1**
Littering- **1**
No Federal Duck Stamp- **4**
No State Duck Stamp- **2**
Unplugged Shotgun- **1**
Total- 9
FY 19 YTD: 19
FY 18 YTD: 10
Courtesy Citations- 0
Verbal Warnings-0

TOTAL VIOLATIONS CITED: 54
FY 19 YTD: 233
FY 18 YTD: 325

TOTAL COURTESY CITATIONS:
Fishing- **1**
Boat and Water Safety- **3**
Crab- **2**
Total- 6

TOTAL VERBAL WARNINGS:
Misc**. -2**
Total- 2

TOTAL COURTESY CITATIONS/VERBAL WARNINGS:
(2 verbal/ **6** courtesy citations)
Total- 8
FY 19 YTD: 47
FY 18 YTD: 106

TOTAL STOPS: 1873
FY 19 YTD: 7502
FY 18 YTD: 10508

INCIDENT REPORTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2018:

BOATING ACCIDENTS WITHOUT INJURIES: 1
There was one accident during the month of September when a bass boat pulling a sailboat sank. There were no injuries associated with this accident.

Total Accidents- 1
FY 19 YTD: 11
FY 18 YTD: 12

TOTAL WATER INCIDENTS: 0
FY 19 YTD: 0
FY 18 YTD: 1

TOTAL FATALITIES (Boating and Non-Boating): 0
FY 19 YTD: 0
FY 18 YTD: 2

DIVE ACTIVITY:
Marine Patrol's Dive Team assisted in recovering evidence of items stolen from George County and dumped in Biloxi. The Dive Team also had two divers finish open water training and will begin advanced training soon.

ASSISTS WITH PUBLIC SAFETY CONCERNS:

Assists to Another Agency- **10**
Traffic accident without Injury- **3**
Traffic accident with Injury- **1**
Child without PFD- **1**
Vessel Aground- **3**
Welfare Concern- **2**
Assist to Boaters in Distress/Tow-Ins- **5**
Overdue Boater- **3**
Hazard to Navigation- **2**
Flare Sighting- **2**
Alligator in Public Area- **2**
Dead Dolphin- **1**
Illegal Sewage Dumping- **2**
Reckless Boaters- **3**
Medical Emergency- **2**
Vessel Afloat- **4**
Total- 46
FY 19 YTD: 163
FY 17 YTD: 161

MISCELLANEOUS COMPLAINTS/REPORTS:

Assist to Motorist- **2**
Theft of Crab Traps- **2**
Abandoned Vessel- **2**
Injured Bird- **8**
Injured Sea Turtle- **1**
Oil Sheen/ Residue on the Water- **1**
No Wake Zone Violation- **1**
Stolen Vessel- **1**
Debris in the Water- **2**
Lost/ Stolen Property- **1**
Oil/ Diesel Spill- **1**
Possession of Prohibited Turtle Species- **1**
Derelict Vessel- **1**
Littering- **1**
Wetlands Violation- **2**
Illegal Fishing Activity- **2**
Suspicious Boaters- **7**
Theft from a Boat- **2**
Total- 38
FY 19 YTD: 111
FY 18 YTD: 116

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Mississippi Department of Marine Resources

Coastal Resources Management

October 2018

Request for Permit by:
City of Biloxi
File: DMR-060766

- Location: The Back Bay of Biloxi at 578 Bayview Avenue in Biloxi, Harrison County, MS.
- Use District: (I) Industrial Use District
- Agent: Seymour Engineering
- Project Purpose/Need: Reconfigure the existing Sherman Canaan Commercial Harbor to:
  - Provide a more stable docking facility
  - Reduce collision and maintenance costs
  - Mitigate impacts from storms
  - Provide a safer work environment for mariners to service their vessels, and
  - Develop the area into a working waterfront shoreline

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Project Description

- Fill: 852 square feet of Coastal Wetlands
- Dredge: 33,425 cu yds (10-year permit)
- Excavate: 8,295 sq ft of uplands
- Remove: Existing piers and mooring pilings
- Bulkhead: 880’
- Low profile bulkhead: 298’
- Mooring pilings: 14
- Impacts to tidal marsh: 689 sq ft of tidal
  - Proposed Mitigation
  - Create 2,070 square feet of marsh
  - Net increase of 7,443 square feet of unvegetated waterbottoms

Project Description

continued

- Six variances to the Guidelines for Regulated Activities
  - Ch. VIII, Sect. 2, Part III.A.2.
    - "To minimize the necessity of dredging, docks and piers shall be of sufficient length to reach navigational depths adequate for the proposed use of the dock or pier."
  - Ch. VIII, Sect. 2, Part III.C.1.
    - "Marinas and boatslips shall be located in areas where minimal initial and maintenance dredging will be required."
  - Ch. VIII, Sect. 2, Part III.C.3.
    - "Marinas . . . shall not be located in areas containing submerged or regularly flooded emergent vegetation."
  - Ch. VIII, Sect. 2, Part III.D.3.
    - "Vertical face structures shall be aligned no further waterward than mean high tide, and constructed so that reflective wave energy does not destroy adjacent wetlands habitat."
  - Ch. VIII, Sect. 2, Part III.O.1.
    - "Permanent filling of coastal wetlands because of adverse and cumulative environmental impacts is discouraged."
  - Ch. VIII, Sect. 2, Part III.O.2.
    - "Areas containing submerged vegetation or regularly flooded emergent vegetation shall not be filled."

Project Description

continued

- Each variance request was justified under Ch. VIII, Sect. 2, Part I.E.2.c.iii. and iv.
  - No feasible alternative sites or construction techniques are available
  - There is significant public benefit in the activity
  - A public hearing will be held
  - The activity requires a waterfront location

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Public and Agency Notification

- Notification of this project appeared in *The Sun Herald* on September 23, September 30, and October 7, 2018.
  - No public comments were received
- A public hearing was held on Tuesday, October 9, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. in the Auditorium of the Bolton State Building located at 1141 Bayview Avenue in Biloxi, Mississippi.
  - No public comments were received
- MS DEQ: No comments
- MS DAH: No objections
- MS SOS: The project will require a tidelands lease
- MS DWFP: The Loggerhead turtle (*Caretta caretta*) and the Kemps Ridley turtle (*Lepidochelys kempii*) have been documented within 2 miles of the project area. They recommended an SAV survey and preemptive trawling be conducted and concluded if best management practices are utilized then the project likely poses no threat to listed species or their habitats.

Recommendation

- The staff of the Department of Marine Resources has conducted a thorough evaluation of the project and has made findings on the decision factors in accordance with Chapter VIII, Section 2, Part I.E.2. of the Mississippi Coastal Program (MCP). These findings have been provided to the Commissioners. Based on the results of these findings, it has been determined that the project is consistent with the MCP because it will have a significant public benefit. Therefore, staff recommends that the Commission approve the requested variances and issue a Permit.

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Mississippi
Department of Marine Resources

Agency Financial Results

as of September 30, 2018

Commission on Marine Resources
October 16, 2018

Key Metrics:

- State Revenue of $3.5M
- Agency Revenue of $3.9M
- State Net Income of $2M
- Agency Net Income of $32K

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES
Income Statement - Fiscal Year 2019
As of September 30, 2018

	State	Federal : NFWF:	Operating Subtotal	Tidelands	Total DMR
Revenue:					
Transfer in from Other Governments	-	-	-	-	-
Off-road Fuel Tax	3,050,000	-	3,050,000	-	3,050,000
Federal Grants	-	398,546	398,546	-	398,546
Sales Revenue	231,353	-	231,353	125	231,478
Indirect Cost Recovery	138,983	-	138,983	-	138,983
Other Revenue	94,689	10,502	105,191	61,698	166,889
Current Budget Year Revenue:	3,515,024	409,048	3,924,072	61,823	3,985,895
Expenditures:					
Salaries, Wages, Fringe	1,212,017	505,049	1,717,066	238,636	1,955,702
Travel	7,242	12,344	19,586	9,451	29,037
Contractual Services	118,697	285,414	404,111	177,828	581,940
Commodities	74,500	637,002	711,502	48,620	760,122
Other than Equipment	-	-	-	-	-
Equipment	1,075	21,949	23,024	5,112	28,136
Vehicles	-	4,049	4,049	-	4,049
Wireless Devices	351	-	351	88	439
Subsidies, Loans, and Grants	14,730	300,252	314,982	279,487	594,469
Current Budget Year Expenditures:	1,428,611	1,766,059	3,194,671	759,223	3,953,893
Current Budget Year Net Income/(Loss):	$ 2,086,413	$ (1,357,012)	$ 729,401	$ (697,399)	$ 32,002

Financial Budget Comparison

- After three months of Fiscal Year 2019:

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES
2019 Budget Comparison
As of September 30, 2018

	Actual Year to Date Expenditures			*Budget Year Totals*			*Percent Remaining*		
	Operating	**Tidelands**	**Total**	**Operating**	**Tidelands**	**Total**	**Operating**	**Tidelands**	**Total**
Expenditures:									
Salaries, Wages, Fringe	$ 1,717,066	$ 238,636	$ 1,955,702	$ 8,899,095	$ 1,012,526	$ 9,911,621	80.7%	76.4%	80.3%
Travel	19,586	9,451	29,037	279,417	20,000	299,417	93.0%	52.7%	90.3%
Contractual Services	404,111	177,828	581,940	9,188,526	1,627,590	10,816,116	95.6%	89.1%	94.6%
Commodities	711,502	48,620	760,122	1,980,361	450,000	2,430,361	64.1%	89.2%	68.7%
Equipment	23,024	5,112	28,136	604,629	225,000	829,629	96.2%	97.7%	96.6%
Vehicles	4,049	-	4,049	70,000	-	70,000	94.2%	0.0%	0.0%
Wireless Devices	351	88	439	6,250	500	6,750	94.4%	0.0%	93.5%
Subsidies, Loans, and Grants	314,982	279,487	594,469	14,332,965	6,664,384	20,997,349	97.8%	95.8%	97.2%
Total Expenditures:	$ 3,194,671	$ 759,223	$ 3,953,893	$ 35,361,242	$ 10,000,000	$ 45,361,242	91.0%	92.4%	91.3%

- Operating Funds have 91% of Budget remaining
- Tidelands Trust Fund has 92.4% of Budget remaining

Public Affairs – October 2018

The MS Department of Marine Resources was mentioned 32 times in local, state and national media since the August CMR meeting. Popular news items included previous director, Bill Walker, and the airmen who went missing on the Tchoutacabouffa River.

So far in FY19, Marine Patrol has taught six boat and water safety classes and certified 106 students. Marine Patrol also participated in National Estuaries Day at the Grand Bay NERR, the National Night Out Expo in Hancock County and Career on Wheels at Pass Road Elementary in Gulfport.

Our agency also participated in various events in the community. Kevin Landry and Tammy Reese in Oyster Aquaculture took part in Science Career Day at Pass Road Elementary and Marty Jones in Fisheries took part in College and Career Day at West Harrison High School.

The FDA issued an “In Compliance” rating to the MDMR Seafood Technology Bureau’s inspection of the seafood processing industry. This is the tenth year in a row that this positive rating has been achieved by the bureau and serves as a testament to their dedication and hard work to ensure safe seafood products for the public.

NOAA’s Phytoplankton Monitoring Network was here October 11 and 12 in our Fisheries Lab updating staff on the latest information regarding Phytoplankton Monitoring, which is crucial to our detection and preparedness for Harmful Algal Blooms.

Finfish Scientist Wade Hardy participated in the U.S. Coast Guard Area Committee Meeting on October 10 at the Grand Bay NERR, hosted by the Mobile Sector. Pollution preparedness, oil spill research and post-hurricane response are several of the important topics for our agency.

The Seafood Technology Bureau taught the Basic Sanitation Control course with 17 students representing our seafood industry and partners.

Lastly, Fisheries did a great job with the Jimmy Sanders Memorial Lionfish Challenge, which recently concluded with Todd Cospelich as the all-around winner. The Challenge honored DMR’s Jimmy Sanders, who initiated the event and passed away prematurely this year. Jimmy was devoted to eradicating invasive Lionfish which would eventually endanger the offshore reefs he worked to deploy, enhance and maintain.

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Title 22 Part 20 Chapter 21

Revocation of Endorsements under Certain Penalties

Final Adoption

Joe Jewell
October 16, 2018

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CMR Passed Notice of Intent on August 21, 2018

Notice of Intent Filed with the SOS on August 30, 2018

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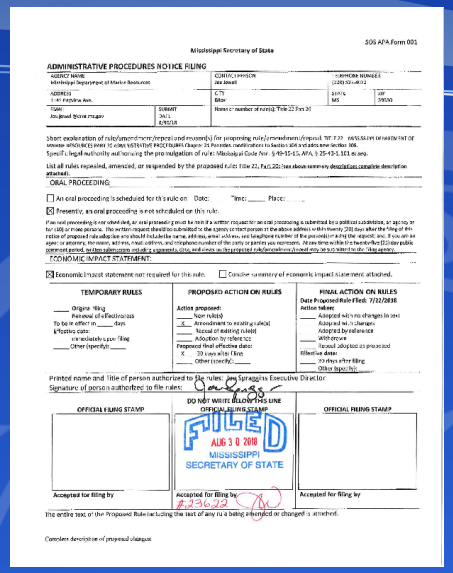

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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES NOTICE FILING

AGENCY NAME: Mississippi Department of Marine Resources

CONTACT PERSON: Joe Jewell

TELEPHONE NUMBER: (228) 523-4132

ADDRESS: 1141 Bayview Ave.

CITY: Biloxi

STATE: MS

ZIP: 39530

EMAIL: Joe.Jewell@dmr.ms.gov

SUBMIT: 24 hrs 8/30/18

Short explanation of rule/amendment/repeal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/repeal: TIT. 22 - ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES PART 20 Chapter 21 Provides modifications to Section 104 violations and Section 105.

Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: Mississippi Code Ann. § 49-15-11, MPA § 25-43-3.101 et seq.

List all rules repealed, amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: Title 22, Part 20; See above summary description; complete description attached.

ORAL PROCEEDING:

☐ An oral proceeding is scheduled for this rule on Date: ____ Time: ____ Place: ____

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ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

☒ Economic impact statement not required for this rule. ☐ Concise summary of economic impact statement attached.

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Signature of person authorized to file rules:

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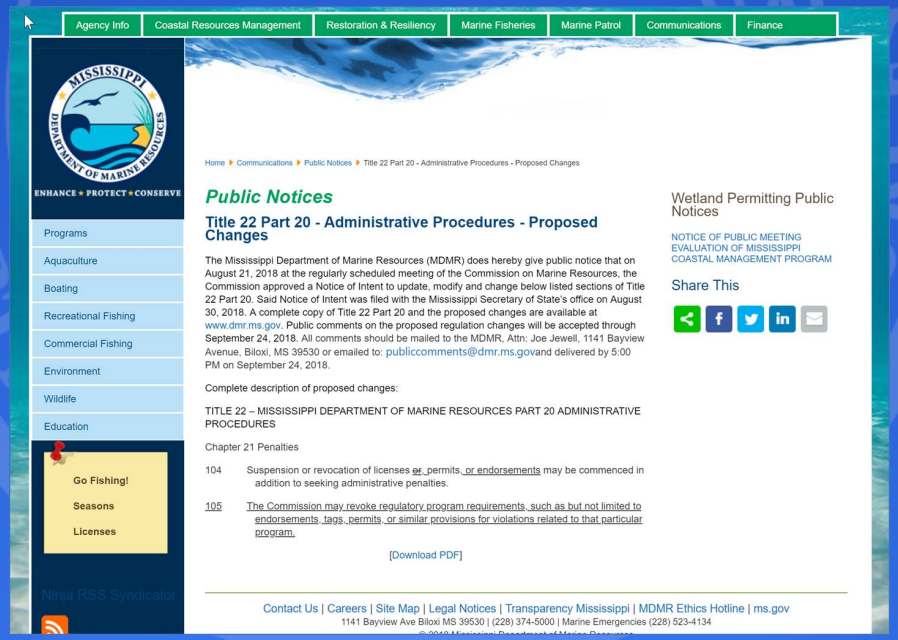
Complete description of proposed changes:



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Title 22 Part 20 - Administrative Procedures - Proposed Changes

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (MDMR) does hereby give public notice that on August 21, 2018 at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Commission on Marine Resources, the Commission approved a Notice of Intent to update, modify and change below listed sections of Title 22 Part 20. Said Notice of Intent was filed with the Mississippi Secretary of State's office on August 30, 2018. A complete copy of Title 22 Part 20 and the proposed changes are available at www.dmr.ms.gov. Public comments on the proposed regulation changes will be accepted through September 24, 2018. All comments should be mailed to the MDMR, Attn: Joe Jewell, 1141 Bayview Avenue, Biloxi, MS 39530 or emailed to: publiccomments@dmr.ms.govand delivered by 5:00 PM on September 24, 2018.

Complete description of proposed changes:

TITLE 22 – MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES PART 20 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES

Chapter 21 Penalties

104 Suspension or revocation of licenses ~~or~~ , permits, or endorsements may be commenced in addition to seeking administrative penalties.

105 The Commission may revoke regulatory program requirements, such as but not limited to endorsements, tags, permits, or similar provisions for violations related to that particular program.

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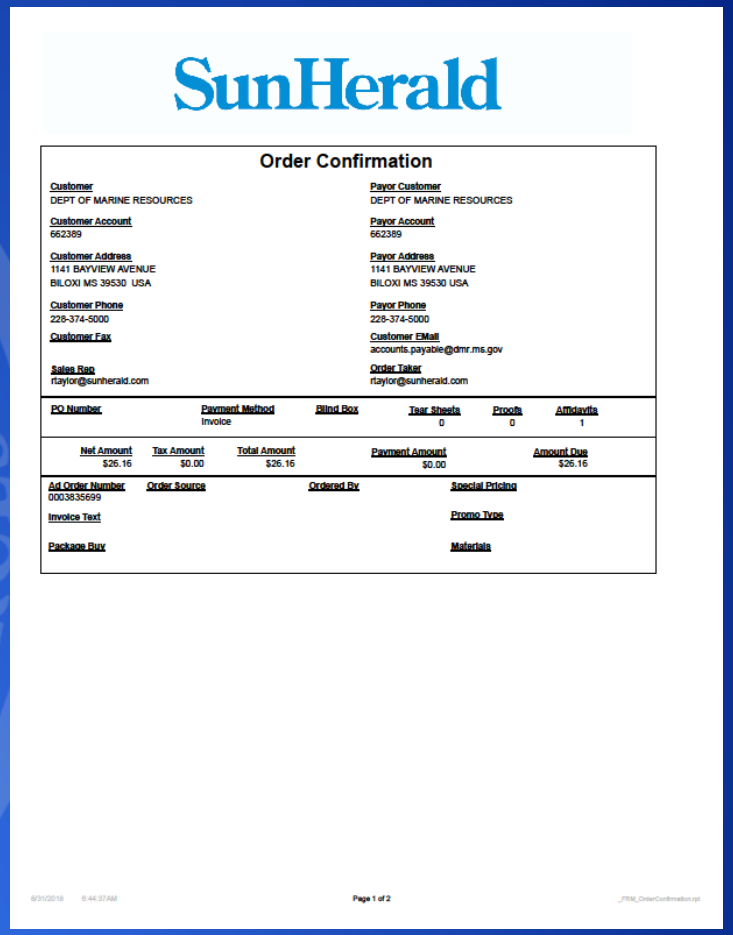

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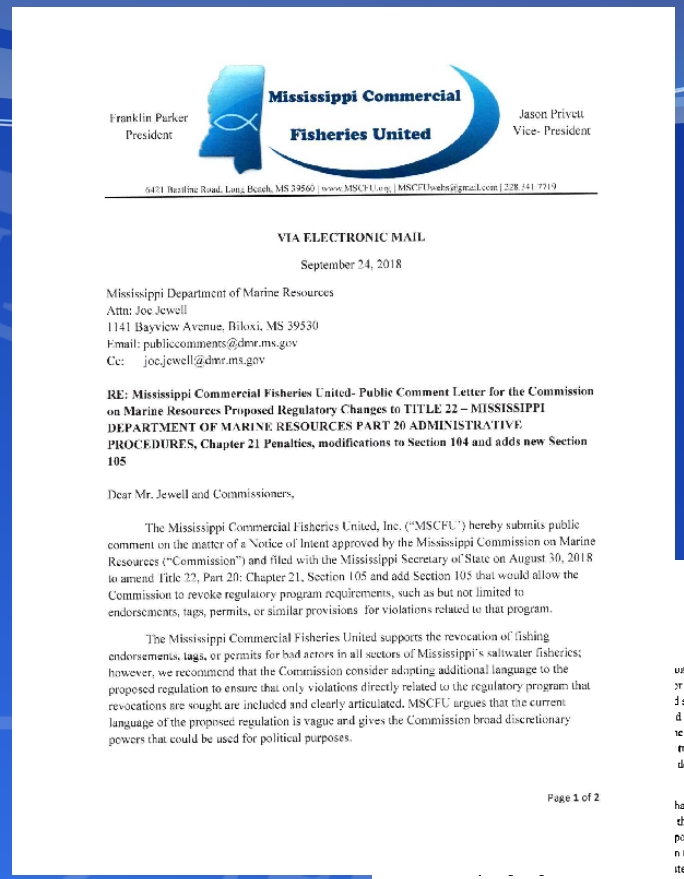
Public Comments

- Public Comment period August 22, 2018 through September 24, 2018 (34 days)
- To date, 1 public comment was received by Mr. Ryan Bradley representing MS Commercial Fisheries United



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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

September 24, 2018

Mississippi Department of Marine Resources
Attn: Joe Jewell
1141 Bayview Avenue, Biloxi, MS 39530
Email: publiccomments@dmr.ms.gov
Cc: joe.jewell@dmr.ms.gov

RE: Mississippi Commercial Fisheries United- Public Comment Letter for the Commission on Marine Resources Proposed Regulatory Changes to TITLE 22 – MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES PART 20 ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES, Chapter 21 Penalties, modifications to Section 104 and adds new Section 105

Dear Mr. Jewell and Commissioners,

The Mississippi Commercial Fisheries United, Inc. ("MSCFU") hereby submits public comment on the matter of a Notice of Intent approved by the Mississippi Commission on Marine Resources ("Commission") and filed with the Mississippi Secretary of State on August 30, 2018 to amend Title 22, Part 20: Chapter 21, Section 105 and add Section 105 that would allow the Commission to revoke regulatory program requirements, such as but not limited to endorsements, tags, permits, or similar provisions for violations related to that program.

The Mississippi Commercial Fisheries United supports the revocation of fishing endorsements, tags, or permits for bad actors in all sectors of Mississippi's saltwater fisheries; however, we recommend that the Commission consider adopting additional language to the proposed regulation to ensure that only violations directly related to the regulatory program that revocations are sought are included and clearly articulated. MSCFU argues that the current language of the proposed regulation is vague and gives the Commission broad discretionary powers that could be used for political purposes.

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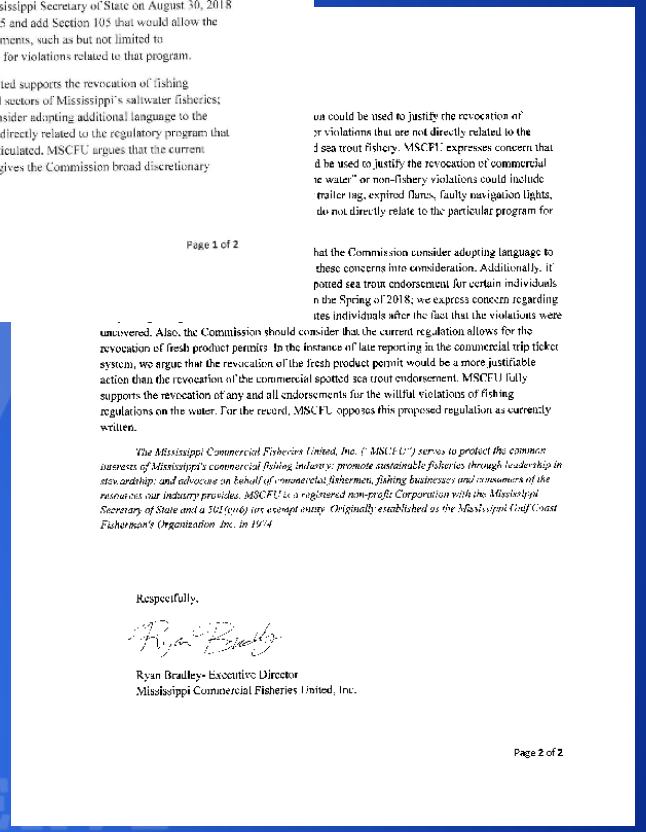

on could be used to justify the revocation of
r violations that are not directly related to the
d sea trout fishery. MSCFU expresses concern that
d be used to justify the revocation of commercial
e water" or non-fishery violations could include
trailer tag, expired flares, faulty navigation lights,
do not directly relate to the particular program for

hat the Commission consider adopting language to
these concerns into consideration. Additionally, it
potted sea trout endorsement for certain individuals
n the Spring of 2018; we express concern regarding
ites individuals after the fact that the violations were
uncovered. Also, the Commission should consider that the current regulation allows for the revocation of fresh product permits. In the instance of late reporting in the commercial trip ticket system, we argue that the revocation of the fresh product permit would be a more justifiable action than the revocation of the commercial spotted sea trout endorsement. MSCFU fully supports the revocation of any and all endorsements for the willful violations of fishing regulations on the water. For the record, MSCFU opposes this proposed regulation as currently written.

The Mississippi Commercial Fisheries United, Inc. ("MSCFU") serves to protect the common interests of Mississippi's commercial fishing industry; promote sustainable fisheries through leadership in stewardship; and advocate on behalf of commercial fishermen, fishing businesses and consumers of the resources our industry provides. MSCFU is a registered non-profit Corporation with the Mississippi Secretary of State and a 501(c)(6) tax exempt entity. Originally established as the Mississippi Gulf Coast Fisherman's Organization Inc. in 1974.

Respectfully,

Ryan Bradley- Executive Director
Mississippi Commercial Fisheries United, Inc.

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Title 22 Part 20
Chapter 21 Administrative Penalties
Section 104

104 Suspension or revocation of licenses ~~or~~ ,permits, or endorsements may be commenced in addition to seeking administrative penalties.

105 The Commission may revoke regulatory program requirements, such as, but not limited to endorsements, tags, permits, or similar provisions for violations related to that particular program.

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Required:

A motion for Final Adoption for modification to Title 22 Part 20 Chapter 21 Section 104 including language to revoke endorsements under certain penalties, and addition of Section 105 to include language for revocation of tags, permits, endorsements, and similar provisions for violations related to that particular program

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Title 22 Part 7 Chapter 9 Spotted Seatrout Endorsement

Final Adoption

Matt Hill

October 16, 2018

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CMR Passed Notice of Intent on September 18, 2018

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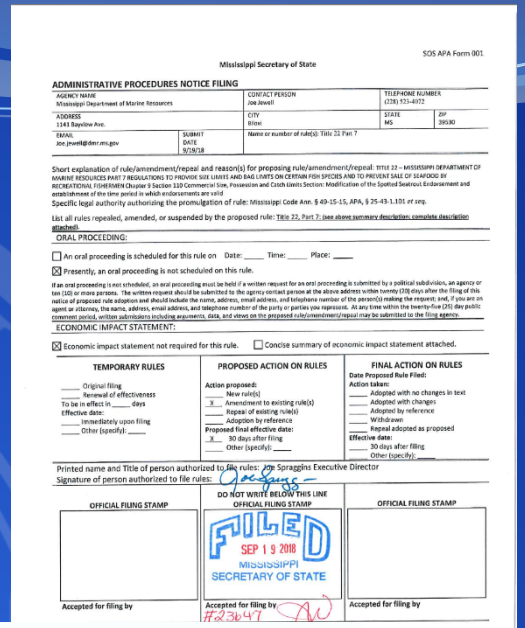

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Mississippi Department of Marine Resources	Joe Jewell	(228) 523-4072
ADDRESS: 1141 Bayview Ave.	CITY: Biloxi	STATE: MS / ZIP: 39530
EMAIL: Joe.jewell@dmr.ms.gov / SUBMIT DATE: 9/19/18	Name or number of rule(s): Title 22 Part 7	

Short explanation of rule/amendment/repeal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/repeal: TITLE 22 – MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES PART 7 REGULATIONS TO PROVIDE SIZE LIMITS AND BAG LIMITS ON CERTAIN FISH SPECIES AND TO PREVENT SALE OF SEAFOOD BY RECREATIONAL FISHERMAN Chapter 3 Section 110 Commercial Size, Possession and Catch Limits Section: Modification of the Spotted Seatrout Endorsement and establishment of the time period in which endorsements are valid

Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: Mississippi Code Ann. § 49-15-15, APA, § 25-43-1.101 *et seq.*

List all rules repealed, amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: Title 22, Part 7: (see above summary description; complete description attached)

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Signature of person authorized to file rules: Joe Spraggins

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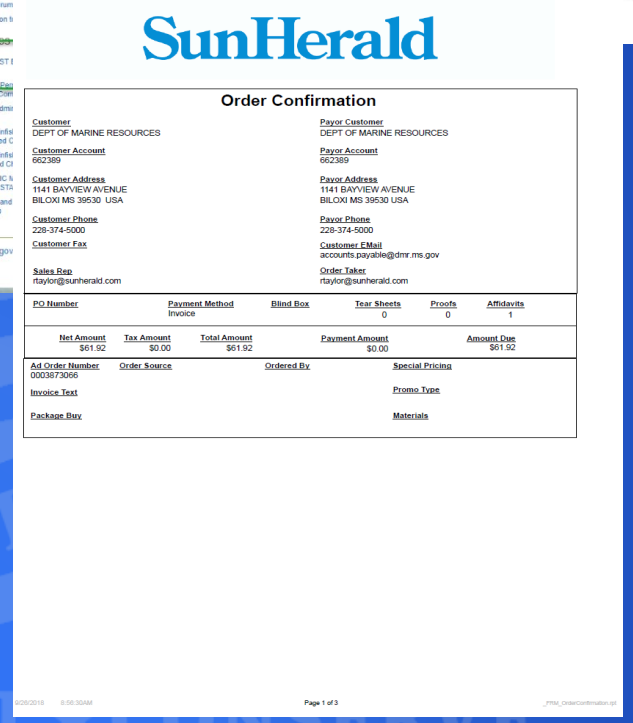

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Public Comments

- Public Comment period September 20th through October 15th, 2018 (26 days)
- To date, no public comments have been received

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Title 22 Part 7
Chapter 09 Commercial Size, Possession and Catch Limits
Section 110

Beginning January 1, 2019 individuals commercially harvesting Spotted Seatrout (*Cynoscion nebulosus*) ~~for sale~~ must possess a Spotted Seatrout endorsement ($10.00) in addition to a current applicable harvester's license. To qualify for this endorsement an application must be completed. ~~The fisher must present proof that five thousand dollars ($5000.00) of seafood product was sold in any twelve (12) consecutive months. Proof would be copies of sales records and a copy of the applicable harvester's license for the appropriate time period, or the fisher must present proof that ten (10) percent of their net income came from commercial fishing activities in a previous tax year. Proof would be a form provided by the DMR completed by a licensed tax preparer possessing a PTIN (Preparer Tax Identification Number), notarized, and submitted to the department.~~ For the 2019 fishing season the fisher must present documentation that a minimum of twenty (20) percent of their taxable income came from commercial fishing activities in a previous tax year between 2013-2018. Documentation shall be a copy of the appropriate filed IRS tax form showing the applicant's taxable income for one of those years. A Marine Fisheries Trip Ticket officer will then run a sales summary for the year chosen using trip tickets to determine if the eligibility requirement has been met. This endorsement will be valid for a ~~three~~ one-year period at which time a new application with qualifying documents ~~must~~ for the previous tax year shall be submitted for a new endorsement. ~~The income requirement and seafood sale provision of this section shall cease to be in effect April 30, 2020 unless further Commission action is taken to extend the requirement.~~ The endorsement will be valid from January 1st – December 31st each year. In the event of a hardship approved by the Commission, the Department may consider qualifying documents for the two years prior to the onset of the hardship

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Required:

Motion for Final Adoption of Regulatory Changes to Title 22 Part 7 Chapter 9 Section 110 Changes to Spotted Seatrout Endorsement.

Upon final adoption of the proposed regulation changes to Title 22 Part 7 Section 110, all Spotted Seatrout Endorsements shall expire November 1, 2018.

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Mississippi Oyster Task Force

Kristina Broussard

October 2018

K.3.

Recommended Voting Members (9)

Voting Members (9)	Name	Title
Dealer/Processor	Jennifer Jenkins	Crystal Seas Seafood
Dealer/Processor	Mike Cure	Bayou Caddy Fisheries
Dredger	John Livings	Pass C. Harvester (Dredger & Tonger)
Dredger	Keo Nguyen	Bayou Harvester (Dredger)
Tonger	George Storrs	Pass C. Harvester
Tonger	Andrew Livings	Pass C. Harvester (Dredger & Tonger)
Oyster Aquaculture	Walter Boasso	Spat Tech
Recreational Harvester	Dennis Laubmeir	Recreational Tonger
MDMR Shellfish Scientist	Erik Broussard	MDMR Shellfish Bureau Director

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Recommended Non-Voting Members (7)

Non-Voting Members (7)	Name	Title
CMR Commissioner	Steve Bosarge	CMR Commissioner
MDMR Oyster Aquaculture	Jason Rider	MDMR Oyster Extension Agent
MDMR Chief Scientific Officer	Dr. Paul Mickle	MDMR Chief Scientific Officer
MDMR Marine Patrol Officer	TBD	Marine Patrol Officer
GCRL Representative	Dr. J. Read Hendon	Associate Director for GCRL School of Ocean Science and Technology and Research Scientist
State Elected Official	Timmy Ladner	State Representative District 93, Poplarville, MS
Conservationist	Johnny Marquez	MS Wildlife Federation, Director of Coastal Programs

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Required

Motion:

To Adopt CMR recommended membership of Mississippi Oyster Task Force and proceed with the establishment of the Mississippi Oyster Task Force that will expire one year from the first scheduled meeting.

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Recommendations for a Recreational Spotted Seatrout Landings Program

Matt Hill

October 16, 2018

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Background

- In the past year, CMR has inquired about the viability of using an electronic reporting program to monitor Spotted Seatrout recreational landings in Mississippi waters.
- In the August meeting, CMR passed a motion for staff to provide information regarding this subject at the October meeting.
- This presentation will outline the potential use of electronic reporting in the Spotted Seatrout fishery and provide alternatives for consideration.

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Electronic Reporting for Spotted Seatrout

- Red Snapper
  - Small population of anglers (~ 2,500 anglers)
  - Limited season (< 100 days)
  - Single mode (Boat anglers)
  - Localized habitat
  - Enforceable
  - Statistically-sound validation procedure
- Spotted Seatrout
  - Large population of anglers (~ 80,000 anglers)
  - Open year round
  - Multi-mode (Boat and Shore anglers)
  - Large amount of diverse habitat
  - Difficult to enforce
  - Currently no feasible validation procedure in place

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Spotted Seatrout Survey Needs

- Survey needs to provide a better estimate of recreational spotted seatrout fishing effort
  - MRIP currently gathers accurate data on catch metrics for the fishery
- Survey needs to provide an effort estimate from all fishing modes (shore, ramp, charter)

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Spotted Seatrout Monitoring Options

- A mandatory reporting program for the entire recreational fishery – this option is difficult to enforce and would be very difficult to implement.
- For large angler populations, a survey based approach is the most practical to estimate harvest.
- There are multiple options for survey based approaches

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Survey Options
Staff Recommendations

<u>Charter</u>

- Electronic reporting
  - Smaller universe of anglers
  - Logbook style approach
  - Evaluate efficiency of electronic reporting with Spotted Seatrout

<u>Private Recreational Effort Survey</u>

- Licensing questionnaire
- MRIP add-on
- Mail-based
- Call-based

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Questions?

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State Finfish Records

Jonathan Barr
October 16, 2018

K.6.

Conventional Tackle
State Saltwater Fishing Record

Gulf Flounder
Paralichthys albigutta

Old Record: 1 lbs. 2.40 oz.
New Record: 1 lbs. 7.68 oz.

Angler: Kevin Sikes

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Conventional Tackle
State Saltwater Fishing Record

Lowfin Pomfret
Brama dussumieri

New Record: 4.37 oz.

Angler: Junie Creel

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Required:

Motion to Adopt New State Saltwater Finfish Records.

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