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Mississippi Advisory Commission on Marine Resources

November 18, 2025



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Actions Update for the November 18, 2025 Commission Meeting

Discussed at the October 2025 meeting:
The Commission recommended and the Director approved:

- Motion to recommend the approval of the re-issuance of the pre-approved variance for projects that meet the parameters and limitations of the MDMR Waiver for Living Shorelines in Mississippi's Coastal Wetlands.

- Motion to recommend approval of the following State Saltwater Finfish Records:

- a. Conventional Tackle:

1. Gulf Flounder (*Paralichthys albigutta*) – 2 lbs. 1.60 oz.
– Trevor Moncrief
2. Anchor Tilefish (*Caulolatilus intermedius*) – 0 lbs. 14.40 oz.
– Marshall Slay Jr.
3. Silk Snapper (*Lutjanus vivanus*) – 2 lbs. 13.60 oz.
– Scott Thibodeaux

- b. All Tackle:

1. Spanish Flag (*Gonioplectrus hispanus*) – 0 lbs. 12.80 oz.
– Cooper Wrightson



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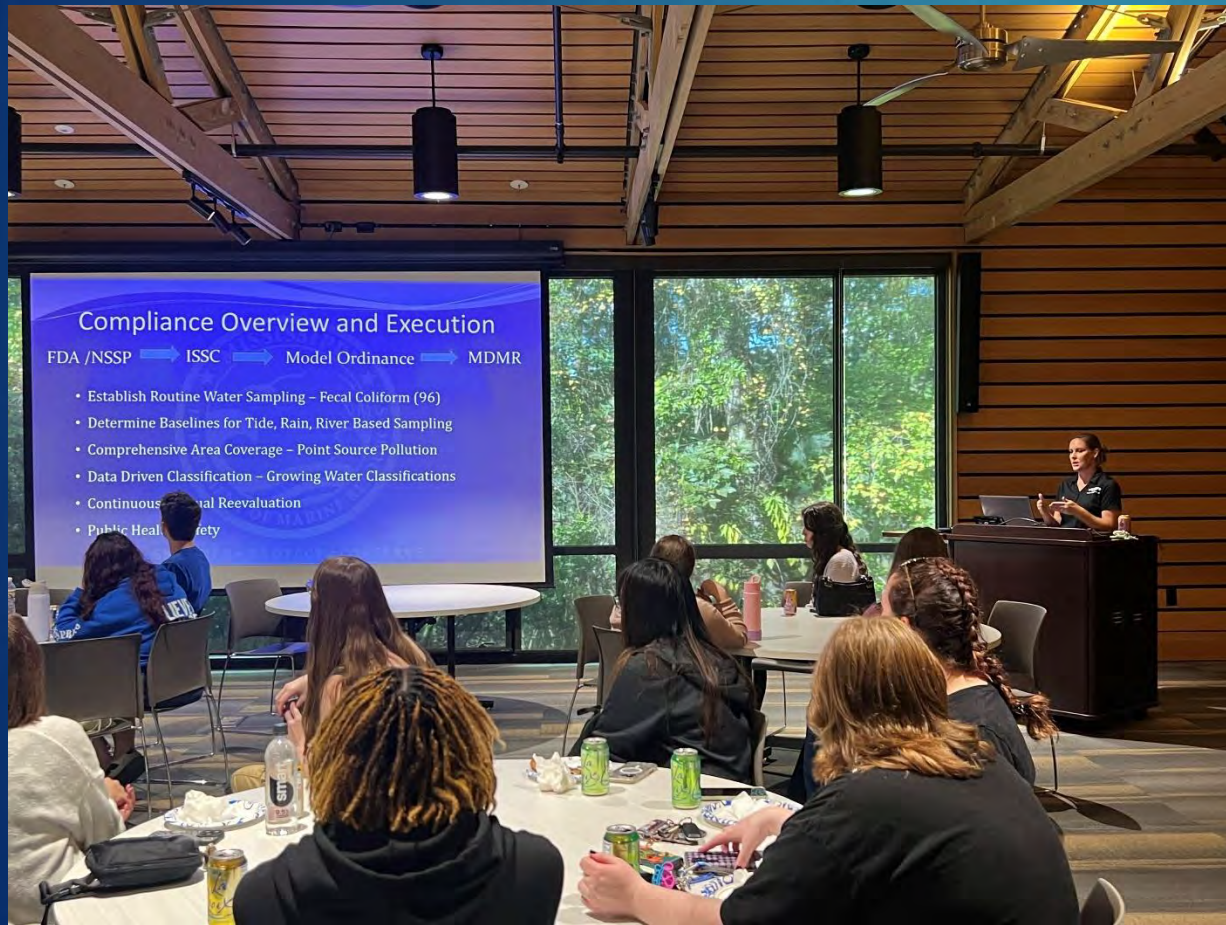
St. Martin North Elementary School Fall Festival



College and Career Fair at Lumberton High School



Freshmen Marine Aquaculture at GCRL



DeLisle Elementary School



Mississippi Aerospace and Defense Symposium



SEAFWA



Junior Jubilee Fishing Rodeo Banquet



Gulf Council Reception





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FY2026 Tidelands Trust Fund



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Tidelands FY2028 Schedule

Date	Description
May 31, 2026	Request for Proposals
July 1, 2026	Deadline for Proposals
July - Aug 2026	Compliance Review
September - October 2026	Merit Review
November 2026	Recommendations and CMR Approval of Ranked Proposals
December 2026	Legislative Forum
January 2027	Projects/Report to Legislature
April 2027	FY2028 Appropriations
November 2027	Check from SOS Office
November - December 2027	Projects Awarded

Tidelands Trust Fund

FY2027 Proposal Results

89 APPLICATIONS SUBMITTED

\$34,716,891

50 PUBLIC ACCESS

\$25,620,509.00

27 Submitted by Cities

\$15,555,000

13 Submitted by Counties

\$7,482,000

10 Miscellaneous

\$2,583,509

39 MDMR MANAGED PROJECTS

\$9,096,382

17 Submitted by MDMR

\$3,482,859

16 Submitted by USM and MSU

\$4,258,523

6 Miscellaneous

\$1,355,000

Appropriated for FY2026: \$6,390,440.00

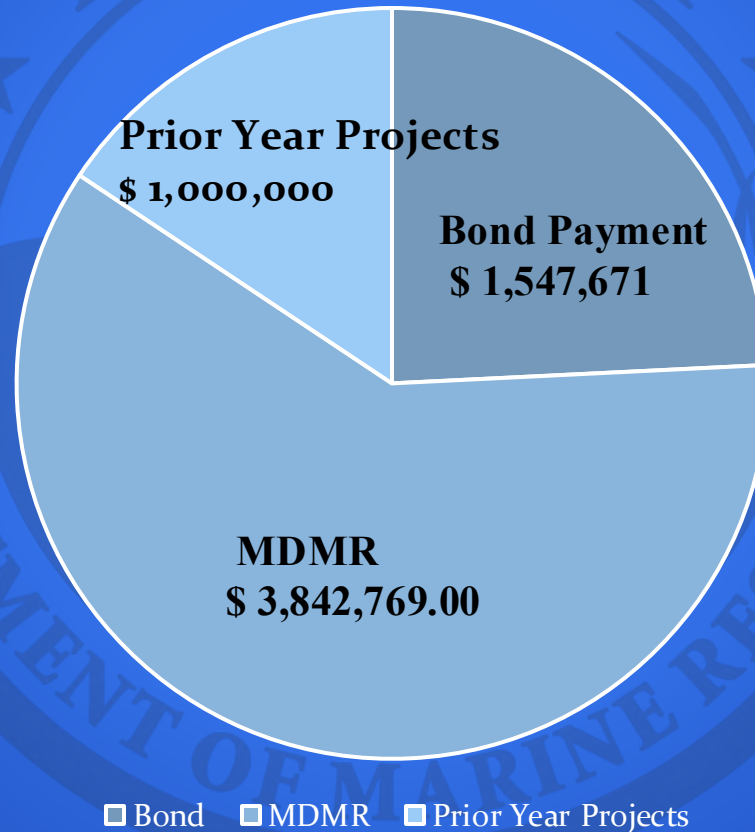
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Public Access Projects FY2026

The legislators choose not to award public access projects in the FY25 Legislative session

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Managed Projects, Prior Year and Bond Payment Awards FY2026



Tidelands FY2026 Managed Projects Allocated \$3,842,769.00



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State Saltwater Finfish Records

Trevor Moncrief
November 18, 2025

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Conventional Tackle

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Conventional Tackle

Rock Hind

Epinephelus adscensionis

Old Record: 3 lbs. 10.40 oz.

New Record: 4 lbs. 4.80 oz.

Angler: Nicholas Lewelling



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Youth Conventional Tackle

Silver Perch

Bairdiella chrysoura

Old Record: 0 lbs. 3.20 oz.

New Record: 0 lbs. 3.52 oz.

Angler: Cresson Vancleave

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Youth Conventional Tackle

Gulf Hake

Urophycis cirrata

New Record: 6 lbs. 0.00 oz.

Angler: James Williams

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Required Action:
Motion to recommend the approval of the
State Records



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Grand Bay NERR

Invitation to the Star Party!



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You are invited to join the Grand Bay NERR for our annual

Star Party

Saturday

December 13, 2025

5:00 pm – 9:00 pm



Free. Family. Fun!



Grand Bay
National Estuarine
Research Reserve



Witness one of the largest meteor showers of the year, the **Geminids Meteor Shower!** We will also have an amazing night of free family fun planned with a variety of soups and hot chocolate to enjoy. Some of the activities include:

- ❖ Hayride from the Coastal Resources Center to the boat launch
- ❖ Viewing the Geminids Meteor Shower
- ❖ Screech owl walk on our Savanna Trail
- ❖ Cookie decorating (and eating!)
- ❖ Pictures with Santa Claus
- ❖ Reindeer games
- ❖ Creative crafts



Check out our Facebook page to let us know you're coming!



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