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Commission on Marine Resources

May 19, 2020



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Employment, Contracts and Procurement Updates May 19, 2020

Employment Updates

- 04.01.2020 – Jennifer Green – Finfish Scientist V
- 04.16.2020 – Melody Chaplin – Shrimp & Crab Scientist, III



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Mississippi Department of Marine Resources

Agency Financial Results

as of April 30, 2020

Commission on Marine Resources

May 19, 2020

Key Metrics:

- State Revenue of \$4.5M
- Agency Revenue of \$63.9M
- State Net Income of (\$1M)
- Agency Net Income of \$40.6M

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES
Income Statement - Fiscal Year 2020
As of April 30, 2020

| | Federal : | | | | |
|---|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| | GOMESA PHIL: | Operating | | | |
| | State | NFWF: | Subtotal | Tidelands | Total DMR |
| Revenue: | | | | | |
| Transfer in from Other Governments | 0 | 50,590 | 50,590 | - | 50,590 |
| Off-road Fuel Tax | 3,050,000 | - | 3,050,000 | - | 3,050,000 |
| Federal/NonFederal Grants | - | 46,308,946 | 46,308,946 | - | 46,308,946 |
| Sales Revenue | 613,588 | 1,632 | 615,220 | 3,579 | 618,799 |
| Indirect Cost Recovery | 753,443 | - | 753,443 | - | 753,443 |
| Other Revenue | 159,739 | 809,179 | 968,918 | 12,218,886 | 13,187,804 |
| Current Budget Year Revenue: | 4,576,770 | 47,170,346 | 51,747,116 | 12,222,465 | 63,969,582 |
| Expenditures: | | | | | |
| Salaries, Wages, Fringe | 4,536,560 | 2,378,250 | 6,914,810 | 721,434 | 7,636,244 |
| Travel | 28,244 | 34,209 | 62,453 | 24,570 | 87,023 |
| Contractual Services | 671,260 | 3,407,511 | 4,078,771 | 864,482 | 4,943,253 |
| Commodities | 321,229 | 1,620,235 | 1,941,464 | 174,438 | 2,115,901 |
| Other than Equipment | - | - | - | - | - |
| Equipment | 47,856 | 269,967 | 317,823 | 99,325 | 417,147 |
| Vehicles | - | - | - | 207,613 | 207,613 |
| Wireless Devices | 331 | - | 331 | - | 331 |
| Subsidies, Loans, and Grants | 11,456 | 5,004,842 | 5,016,298 | 2,868,375 | 7,884,673 |
| Current Budget Year Expenditures: | 5,616,935 | 12,715,014 | 18,331,949 | 4,960,237 | 23,292,186 |
| Current Budget Year Net Income/(Loss): | \$(1,040,165) | \$ 34,455,333 | \$33,415,168 | \$ 7,262,228 | \$ 40,677,396 |

Financial Budget Comparison

- After ten months of Fiscal Year 2020:

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES
2020 Budget Comparison
As of April 30, 2020

| | <i>Actual Year to Date Expenditures</i> | | | <i>Budget Year Totals</i> | | | <i>Percent Remaining</i> | | |
|------------------------------|---|---------------------|----------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------|
| | Operating | Tidelands | Total | Operating | Tidelands | Total | Operating | Tidelands | Total |
| Expenditures: | | | | | | | | | |
| Salaries, Wages, Fringe | \$ 6,914,810 | \$ 721,434 | \$ 7,636,244 | \$ 4,285,926 | \$ 466,412 | \$ 4,752,338 | -61.3% | -54.7% | -60.7% |
| Travel | 62,453 | 24,570 | 87,023 | 108,103 | 10,430 | 118,533 | 42.2% | -135.6% | 26.6% |
| Contractual Services | 4,078,771 | 864,482 | 4,943,253 | 4,437,893 | 441,767 | 4,879,661 | 8.1% | -95.7% | -1.3% |
| Commodities | 1,941,464 | 174,438 | 2,115,901 | 2,943,138 | 241,380 | 3,184,517 | 34.0% | 27.7% | 33.6% |
| Equipment | 317,823 | 99,325 | 417,147 | 727,821 | 227,788 | 955,609 | 56.3% | 56.4% | 56.3% |
| Vehicles | - | 207,613 | 207,613 | 7,220 | 12,387 | 19,607 | 100.0% | 0.0% | 0.0% |
| Wireless Devices | 331 | - | 331 | 5,860 | - | 5,860 | 94.4% | 0.0% | 94.4% |
| Subsidies, Loans, and Grants | 5,016,298 | 2,868,375 | 7,884,673 | 27,113,525 | 4,076,801 | 31,190,327 | 81.5% | 29.6% | 74.7% |
| Total Expenditures: | \$ 18,331,949 | \$ 4,960,237 | \$ 23,292,186 | \$ 39,629,487 | \$ 5,476,965 | \$ 45,106,452 | 53.7% | 9.4% | 48.4% |

- Operating Funds have 53.7% of Budget remaining
- Tidelands Trust Fund has 9.4% of Budget remaining



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Title 22 Part 9: Regulatory language changes to the Charter For-hire reporting requirements. Final Adoption

Matt Hill
May 19, 2020

K.1.

Background

At the March 31, 2020 CMR meeting, the following motion was passed:

- E.1. Title 22 Part 9 Charter For-Hire Reporting Requirements
- **Motion 3:** To table this until the April meeting without any changes to how we currently operate the program.

Motion: Daniels, Second: Bosarge - Passed 3-0; Havard absent from vote due to tornado warning

At the April 21, 2020 CMR meeting, the following motion was passed:

- K.1. Title 22 Part 9: Regulatory language changes to the Charter For-Hire Reporting Requirements Update
- **Motion 6:** To adopt staff's recommendation Option 1 as presented by staff

Motion: Daniels, Second: Havard - Passed 3-2; Bosarge and Gollott opposed

CMR Passed Notice of Intent on April 21, 2020

Notice of Intent filed with the SOS on April 21, 2020

MDMR Web Page Notice Appeared on April 22, 2020

Legal Notice Appeared in the Sun Herald on April 23, 2020

The screenshot shows the MDMR website with a notice titled "Title 22 Part 9 - Charter Reporting Requirements - Proposed Changes". The notice is dated April 22, 2020. It includes a "DOWNLOAD PDF" button and a "SHARE THIS:" section with social media icons. The notice text discusses the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (MDMR) and the proposed changes to Title 22 Part 9.

MDMR Web Notice

The screenshot shows the Mississippi Secretary of State's Administrative Procedures Notice Filing form. The form is titled "Administrative Procedures Notice Filing" and includes fields for "Notice Title", "Notice Number", "Effective Date", and "Expiration Date". It also includes a section for "Proposed Action on Rules" and a "FILED" stamp dated APR 21 2020.

SOS NOI Notice

The screenshot shows the Sun Herald newspaper's Order Confirmation page. It includes a table with columns for "No. of Copies", "Total Amount", "Payment Amount", "Total Amount", "Payment Amount", and "Amount Due". The table shows that the total amount due is \$30.00.

Sun Herald Notice

Public Comments on Title 22 Part 9 NOI: Regulatory Changes to the Charter For-hire Reporting Requirement

- Public comment period: April 22, 2020 through May 18, 2020 – 27 Days.
- To date, no public comments were received.

TITLE 22 –PART 9 RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR STATISTICAL REPORTING AND CONFIDENTIALITY OF STATISTICAL DATA FOR MARINE FISHERIES IN THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Chapter 11 Recreational Fishing Landings Reporting Requirements

101 **Charter and Head Boat Reporting.** Charter Boat and Head Boat captains operating in Mississippi waters ~~shall be required to~~ may complete questionnaires furnished by the MDMR ~~for each trip~~. Completed questionnaires shall be furnished to an information confidentiality officer upon request. In addition to the reporting required pursuant to this paragraph, the following reporting is also required.

Required:

A motion to proceed with Final Adoption of regulatory changes to Title 22 Part 9 Chapter 11: Recreational Fishing Landings Reporting Requirements



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Title 22 Part 7: Charter For-hire Captain and Crew Spotted Seatrout Limits

Final Adoption

Matt Hill
May 19, 2020

K.2.

Background

At the March 31, 2020 CMR meeting, the CMR was presented three motions passed by the Charter For-hire Task Force at its March 5, 2020 meeting.

- The CMR addressed the first two motions but did not consider the motion by the task force to move Red Snapper and Amberjack to disallow captain and crew from keeping their limit and correct Spotted Seatrout placement.

At the April 21, 2020 CMR the CMR passed the following motion:

- **Motion 7:** A motion to proceed with a Notice of Intent for regulatory changes to Title 22 Part 7 Chapter 7 regarding changes to captain and crew limits for Spotted Seatrout, Red Snapper and Greater Amberjack

Motion: Guess, Second: Daniels, Passed 4-1; Gollott opposed

CMR Passed Notice of Intent on April 21, 2020

Notice of Intent filed with the SOS on April 21, 2020

MDMR Web Page Notice Appeared on April 22, 2020

Legal Notice Appeared in the Sun Herald on April 23, 2020

The screenshot shows the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (MDMR) website. The main heading is "Title 22 Part 7 - Captain & Crew Limits - Proposed Changes" with a sub-heading "Public Notice - April 22, 2020". The text explains that the MDMR has a public notice regarding proposed changes to Title 22 Part 7, which relate to captain and crew limits on certain fish species and to prevent size of seafood by recreational fishermen. It mentions that the notice was filed with the Mississippi Secretary of State on April 21, 2020, and that a complete copy of the notice is available at www.dmr.ms.gov. A "DOWNLOAD PDF" button is visible at the bottom of the notice content.

MDMR Web Notice

This is a screenshot of the "Administrative Procedures Notice Filing" form from the Mississippi Secretary of State. The form includes fields for "ACTING CLERK" (Mississippi Department of Marine Resources), "AGENCY" (Mississippi Department of Marine Resources), and "TITLE" (Title 22 Part 7). It contains sections for "ORAL PROCEEDING" and "TEMPORARY RULES". A large "FILED" stamp is visible in the center, dated "APR 21 2020" and signed by the "MISSISSIPPI SECRETARY OF STATE".

SOS NOI Notice

This is a screenshot of a "Sun Herald Order Confirmation" form. It includes fields for "Customer" (DEPT OF MARINE RESOURCES), "Customer Address" (1141 BAYVIEW AVENUE, BILBO ME 39208 USA), and "Customer Phone" (228-374-6000). It also includes a table with columns for "ISSUANCE", "PAYMENT METHOD", "TOTAL DUE", "DATE DUE", "CHECK", and "AMOUNT". The table shows a total amount of \$25.00. The form is dated "APR 23 2020".

Sun Herald Notice

Public Comments on Title 22 Part 7 NOI: Charter For-hire Captain and Crew Limits

- Public comment period: April 22, 2020 through May 18, 2020 – 27 Days.
- To date, no public comments were received.

- **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 Fishermen**

Chapter 07 Charter Boat Exemption from Certain Bag Limits

100 Persons on a licensed charter boat or headboat may possess a two-day (2) bag limit only when complying with the following conditions and only for the species listed in 100.06 of this chapter.

~~100.07 Charter vessel captain and crew are prohibited from keeping a recreational bag limit of Red Snapper, Greater Amberjack, and Spotted Seatrout.~~

104 Charter vessel captain and crew are prohibited from keeping a recreational bag limit of Red Snapper, Greater Amberjack, and Spotted Seatrout.

~~104~~ 105 This Chapter shall renew automatically on an annual basis for a one-year period unless the Commission initiates a review of this section.

Required:

A motion to proceed with Final Adoption of Regulatory changes to Title 22 Part 7 Chapter 7: Charter Boat Exemption from Certain Bag Limits



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Title 22 Part 7 Chapters 8 and 9: Regulatory Compliance with Federal Rule Changes for Cobia

Final Adoption

Trevor Moncrief
May 19, 2020

K.3.

Background

At the April 21, 2020 meeting the CMR passed the following motion:

- **Motion 8:** A motion to proceed with a Notice of Intent for regulatory changes to Title 22 Part 7 Chapters 8 and 9 regarding changes to the minimum size limit of Cobia for federal compliance

Motion: Gollott, Second: Bosarge, Unanimously Passed 5-0

Public Comments on Title 22 Part 7 Chapters 8 and 9 NOI: Compliance with Federal Rule Changes for Cobia

- Public comment period: April 22, 2020 through May 18, 2020 – 27 Days.
- To date, no public comments were received.

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 Fishermen

Chapter 08 Recreational Bag, Possession and Size Limits

102 It shall be unlawful for recreational fishermen to possess any of the following named species of fish under the lengths prescribed:

102.03 Cobia – ~~thirty-three (33)~~ thirty-six (36) inches (fork length).

Chapter 09 Commercial Size, Possession and Catch Limits

102 It shall be unlawful for any commercial fishermen to possess any Cobia smaller than ~~thirty-three (33)~~ thirty-six (36) inches fork length or to possess more than a daily bag limit of two (2) Cobia per person.

Required:

A motion to proceed with Final Adoption of Regulatory changes to Title 22 Part 7 Chapters 8 and 9: Compliance with Federal Rule Changes for Cobia – increasing the total length from 33 inches to 36 inches fork length for both commercial and recreational.

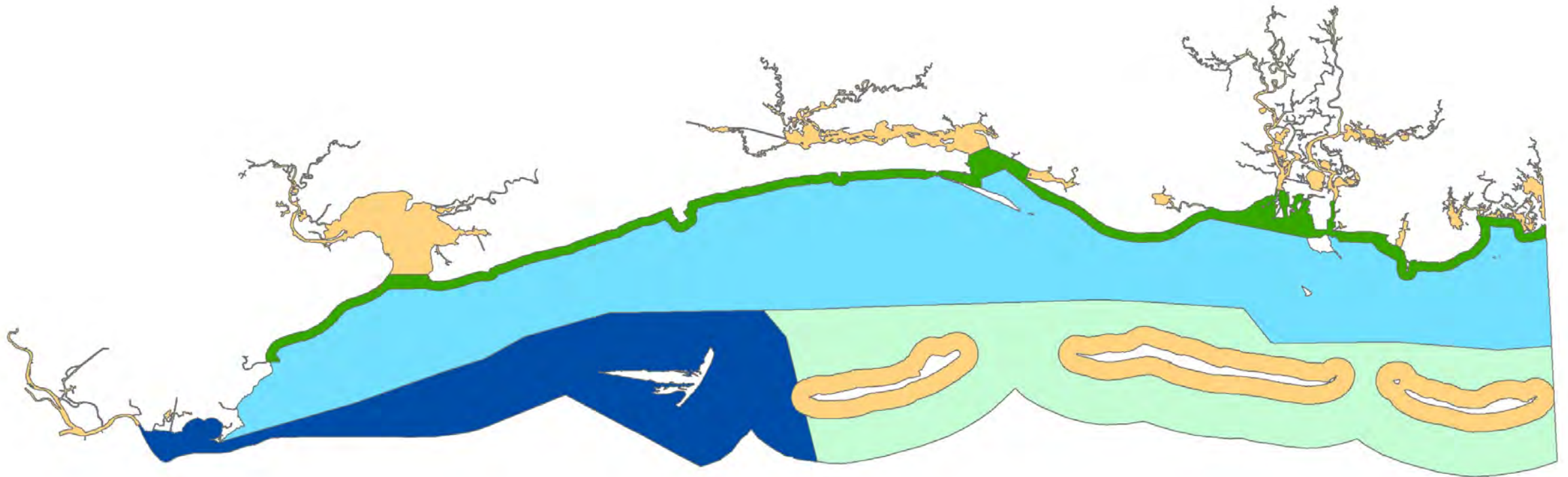


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2020 Mississippi Shrimp Season Update

Jason Saucier

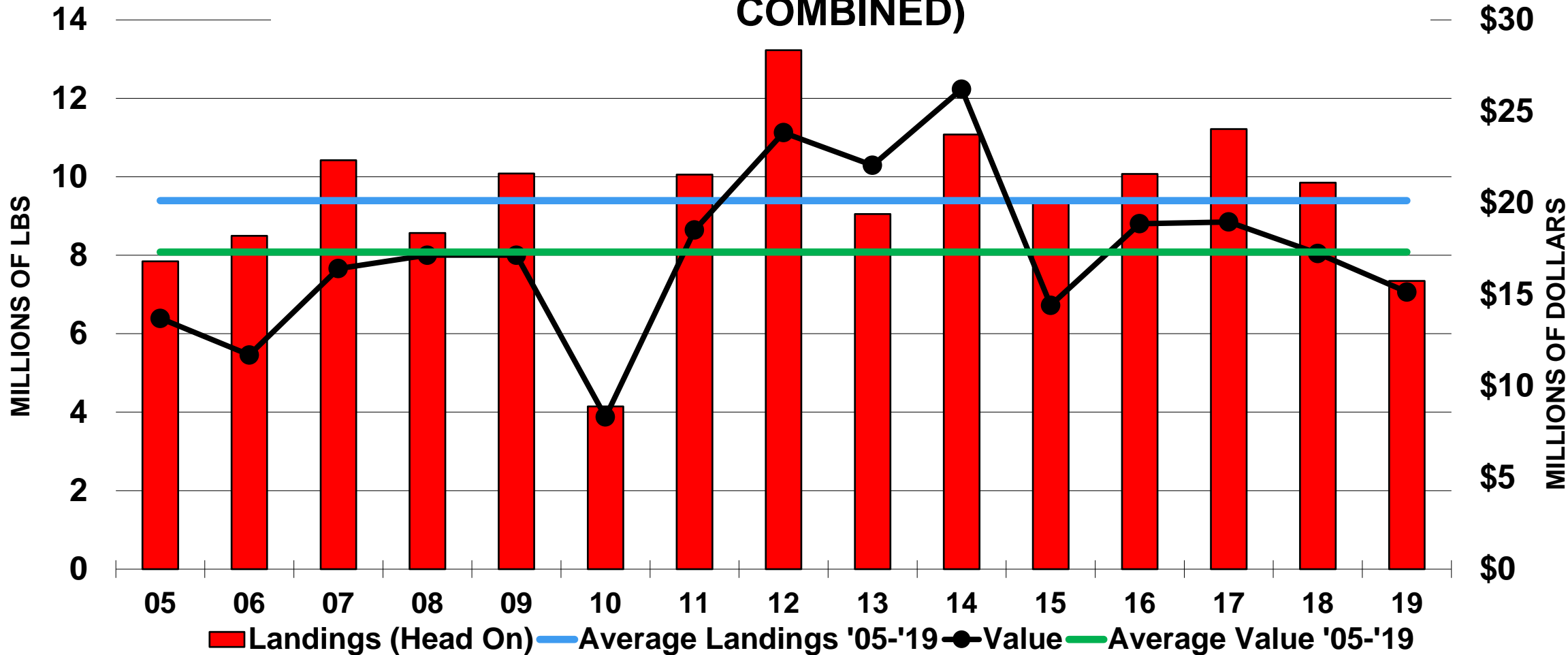
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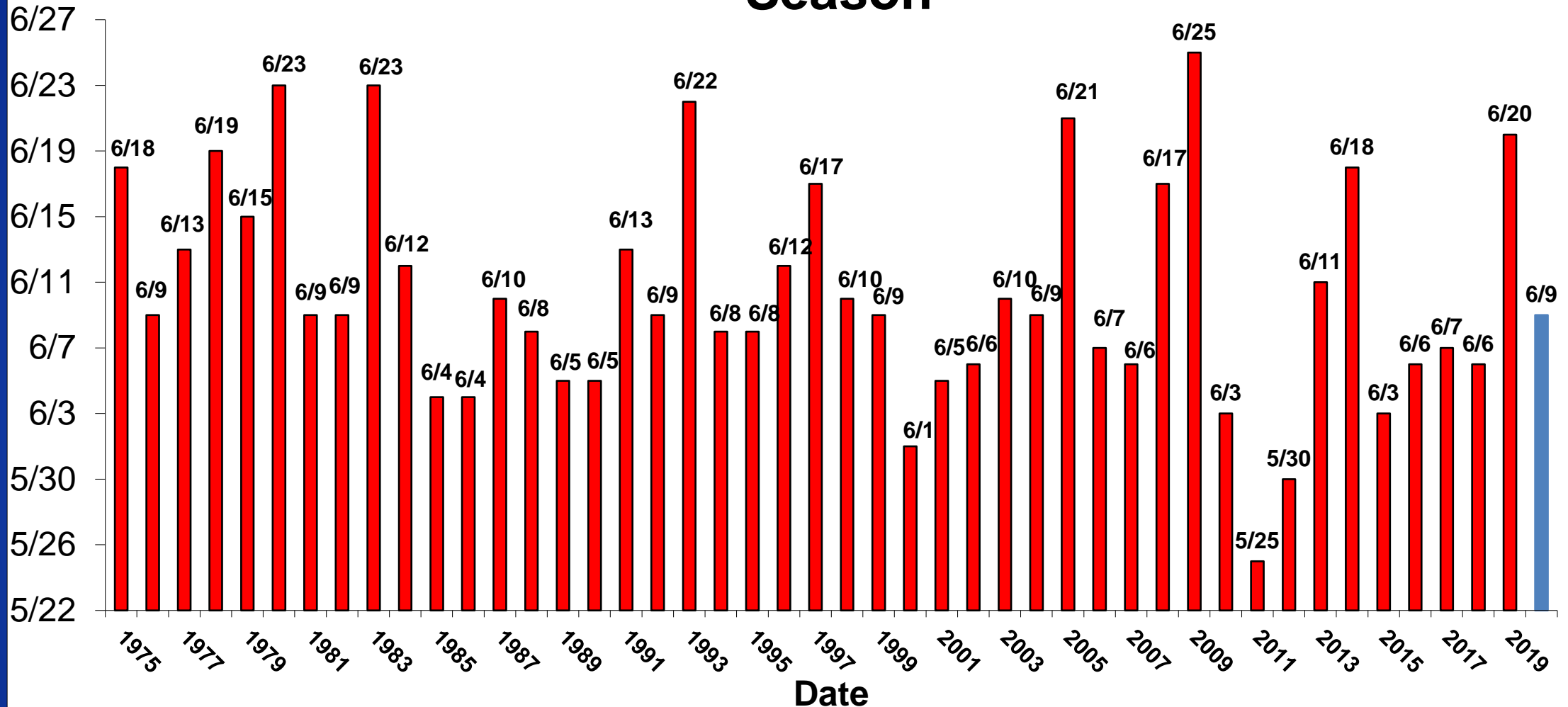
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- Closed to all shrimping, inland and within 1 mile of the Gulf Islands National Seashore Shoreline
- Open to commercial & recreational shrimping on a seasonal basis until April 30
- Open to commercial & recreational shrimping on a seasonal basis until December 31
- Open to live bait shrimping ONLY, within 1/2 mile of the shoreline
- Open to commercial & recreational shrimping year round

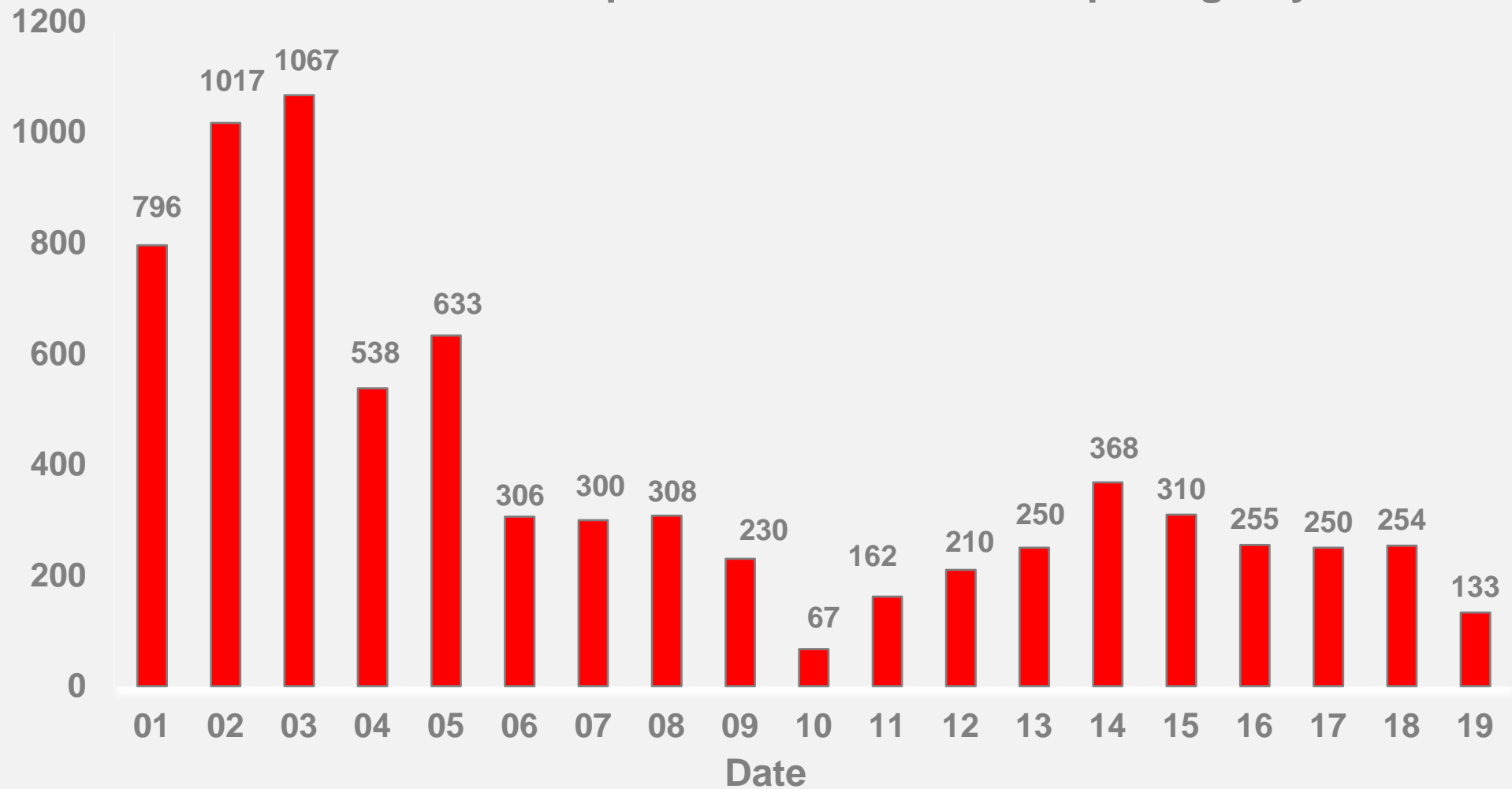
MISSISSIPPI SHRIMP LANDINGS AND VALUE (ALL SPECIES COMBINED)



Historic Opening Dates of Mississippi Shrimp Season

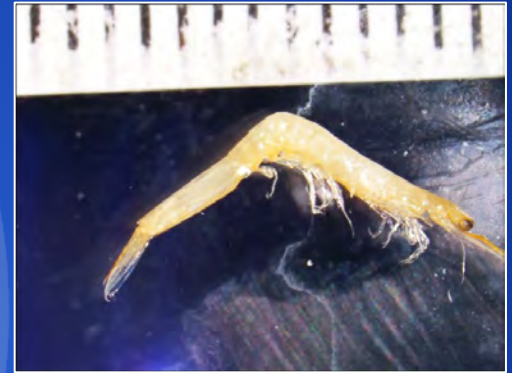


Number of Shrimp Vessels Counted on Opening Day

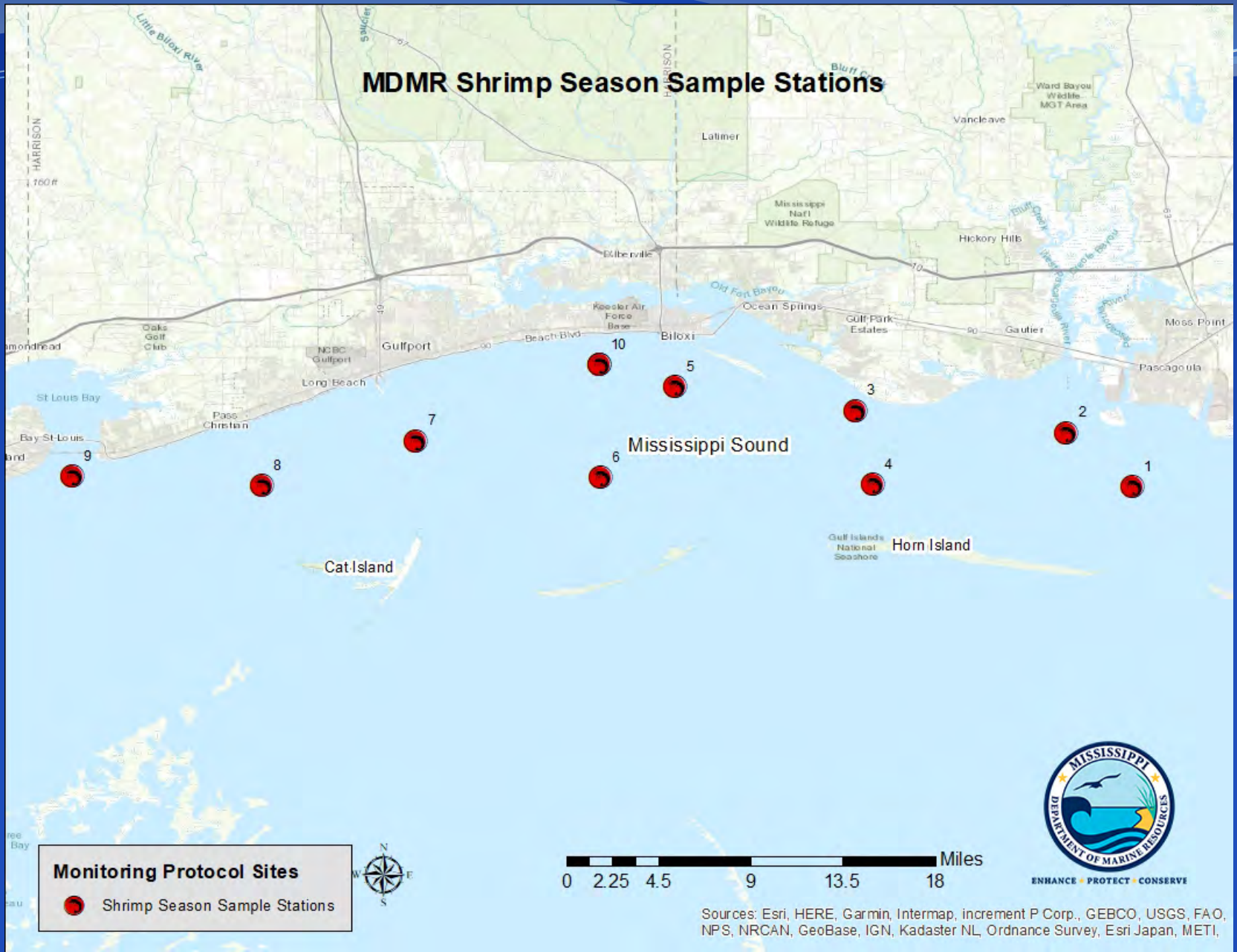


Mississippi Shrimp Season Opening Sampling

- **Post larval sampling (begins February)**
 - Standardized beam plankton trawl sampling at historical stations
- **April – June juvenile/adult sampling**
 - Standardized 16 foot trawl sampling at historical stations
 - Chart the growth of Brown Shrimp from juveniles to adults
 - Season opens when Brown Shrimp reach legal size of 68 count



MDMR Shrimp Season Sample Stations



Sources: Esri, HERE, Garmin, Intermap, increment P Corp., GEBCO, USGS, FAO, NPS, NRCAN, GeoBase, IGN, Kadaster NL, Ordnance Survey, Esri Japan, METI,

Shrimp Samples – April 30, 2020



Station 3 – Biloxi Bay



Station 7 – Gulfport Ship Channel

2020-2021 Mississippi Shrimp Season Opening

Required: Motion to give authority to the Executive Director to open the 2020-2021 shrimp season when sampling shows Brown Shrimp have reached the average of 68 count per pound, as required by state statute (§49-15-64.1).



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State Saltwater Finfish Records

Matt Hill
May 19, 2020

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All Tackle – Spear
Saltwater Fishing Record

Ocean Triggerfish
Canthidermis sufflamen

New Record: 5 lb. 9.6 oz.

Angler: Harley J. Havard



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All Tackle – Spear
Saltwater Fishing Record

Spanish Hogfish
Bodianus rufus

New Record: 1 lb. 14.08 oz.

Angler: Harley J. Havard



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All Tackle – Spear
Saltwater Fishing Record

African Pompano

Alectis Pompano

New Record: 37 lb. 1.44 oz.

Angler: Harley J. Havard



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All Tackle – Castnet
Saltwater Fishing Record

Highfin Goby
Gobinnellus oceanicus

New Record: 0 lb. .78 oz.

Angler: Abigail Daniels



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Required:

Motion to Adopt New State Saltwater Finfish
Records.

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