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# Mississippi Advisory Commission on Marine Resources

May 21, 2024



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# Employment, Contracts and Procurement Updates May 21, 2024

# Employment Updates

## Promotions:

- Bryan Drieling – Promoted May 1, 2024 – LEO II, Corporal - Office of Marine Patrol

## New Hires:

- Roger Moore – May 1, 2024 – LEO II, Corporal - Office of Marine Patrol
- Dawn Thompson – May 1, 2024 – ENRS I – Office of Marine Fisheries, Shrimp & Crab Bureau
- Lindsey Hoye – May 13, 2024 – ENRTech II – Office of Marine Fisheries, Lyman Hatchery
- James Klein – May 20, 2024 – ENRS III – Office of Marine Fisheries, Finfish Bureau
- Katherine Wright – Starting June 1, 2024 - ENRS II – Office of Marine Fisheries, Finfish Bureau

## Interns:

We have 9 Interns for our Summer 2024 Internship Program that will start on June 3<sup>rd</sup> and work until July 31<sup>st</sup>

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# Actions Update for May 21, 2024 Commission Meeting



## Discussed at the April 2024 meeting:

- The Commission recommended and the Director approved the following motions:
- Motion to recommend the following changes to Title 22 Part 3 Chapter 7 to be sent to the Secretary of State's Office for Notice of Intent:

G. The recreational fishing season, bag limit, and size limit for Red Snapper shall be set by the Executive Director. The recreational opening order for Red Snapper shall include language establishing the size limit, bag limit, and season structure for the corresponding season. In the event that the size and bag limit is not listed in the opening order, the established limits listed above in Chapter 07 will apply.



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# Mississippi Department of Marine Resources

Agency Financial Results  
as of April 30, 2024

Key Metrics:

- State Revenue of \$5.8M
- Agency Revenue of \$72.8M
- State Net Income of (\$589K)
- Agency Net Income of \$36.3M

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES**  
**Income Statement - Fiscal Year 2024**  
**As of April 30, 2024**

	<b>Federal :</b>				
	<b>GOMESA</b>				
	<b>PHII:</b>				
	<b>NFWF:</b>	<b>Operating</b>			
	<b>State</b>	<b>Non-Federal:</b>	<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>Tidelands</b>	
				<b>Total DMR</b>	
<b>Revenue:</b>					
Off-road Fuel Tax	3,050,000	-	3,050,000	-	3,050,000
Federal/NonFederal Grants	21,130	8,375,421	8,396,550	-	8,396,550
Sales Revenue	1,164,176	-	1,164,176	679	1,164,855
Indirect Cost Recovery	984,668	-	984,668	-	984,668
Other Revenue	668,788	46,233,137	46,901,925	12,313,649	59,215,574
<b>Current Budget Year Revenue:</b>	<b>5,888,762</b>	<b>54,608,557</b>	<b>60,497,320</b>	<b>12,314,328</b>	<b>72,811,648</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>					
Salaries, Wages, Fringe	5,075,401	3,137,105	8,212,505	968,583	9,181,088
Travel	36,058	44,755	80,813	39,524	120,337
Contractual Services	814,568	2,921,128	3,735,696	710,317	4,446,013
Commodities	297,535	2,113,420	2,410,955	257,299	2,668,254
Other than Equipment	-	4,850	4,850	-	4,850
Equipment	252,938	151,294	404,233	122,909	527,142
Vehicles	-	305,920	305,920	160,395	466,315
Subsidies, Loans, and Grants	1,465	15,245,725	15,247,190	3,802,025	19,049,215
<b>Current Budget Year Expenditures:</b>	<b>6,477,965</b>	<b>23,924,197</b>	<b>30,402,163</b>	<b>6,061,053</b>	<b>36,463,215</b>
<b>Current Budget Year Net Income/(Loss):</b>	<b>\$ (589,203)</b>	<b>\$ 30,684,360</b>	<b>\$ 30,095,157</b>	<b>\$ 6,253,275</b>	<b>\$ 36,348,432</b>



# Financial Budget Comparison

- After ten months of Fiscal Year 2024:

**MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES**  
**2024 Budget Comparison**  
**As of April 30, 2024**

	<i>Actual Year to Date Expenditures</i>			<i>Budget Year Totals</i>			<i>Percent Remaining</i>		
	<b>Operating</b>	<b>Tidelands</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Operating</b>	<b>Tidelands</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>Operating</b>	<b>Tidelands</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>									
Salaries, Wages, Fringe	\$ 8,212,505	\$ 968,583	\$ 9,181,088	\$ 15,093,165	\$ 1,304,662	\$ 16,397,827	45.6%	25.8%	44.0%
Travel	80,813	39,524	120,337	213,093	40,000	253,093	62.1%	1.2%	52.5%
Contractual Services	3,735,696	710,317	4,446,013	13,643,311	1,651,000	15,294,311	72.6%	57.0%	70.9%
Commodities	2,410,955	257,299	2,668,254	4,423,349	360,000	4,783,349	45.5%	28.5%	44.2%
Other than Equipment	4,850	-	4,850	100,000	20,000	120,000	95.2%	100.0%	96.0%
Equipment	404,233	122,909	527,142	788,317	335,000	1,123,317	48.7%	63.3%	53.1%
Vehicles	305,920	160,395	466,315	400,000	195,000	595,000	23.5%	17.7%	21.6%
Wireless Devices	-	-	-	6,250	-	6,250	100.0%	-	100.0%
Subsidies, Loans, and Grants	15,247,190	3,802,025	19,049,215	164,990,342	8,549,585	173,539,927	90.8%	55.5%	89.0%
<b>Total Expenditures:</b>	<b>\$ 30,402,163</b>	<b>\$ 6,061,053</b>	<b>\$ 36,463,215</b>	<b>\$ 199,657,827</b>	<b>\$ 12,455,247</b>	<b>\$ 212,113,074</b>	<b>84.8%</b>	<b>51.3%</b>	<b>82.8%</b>

- Operating Funds have 84.8% of Budget remaining
- Tidelands Trust Fund has 51.3% of Budget remaining





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# 2024 Mississippi Shrimp Season Update

Jason Saucier

May 21, 2024

# Overall fishery landings and value



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# Species Composition



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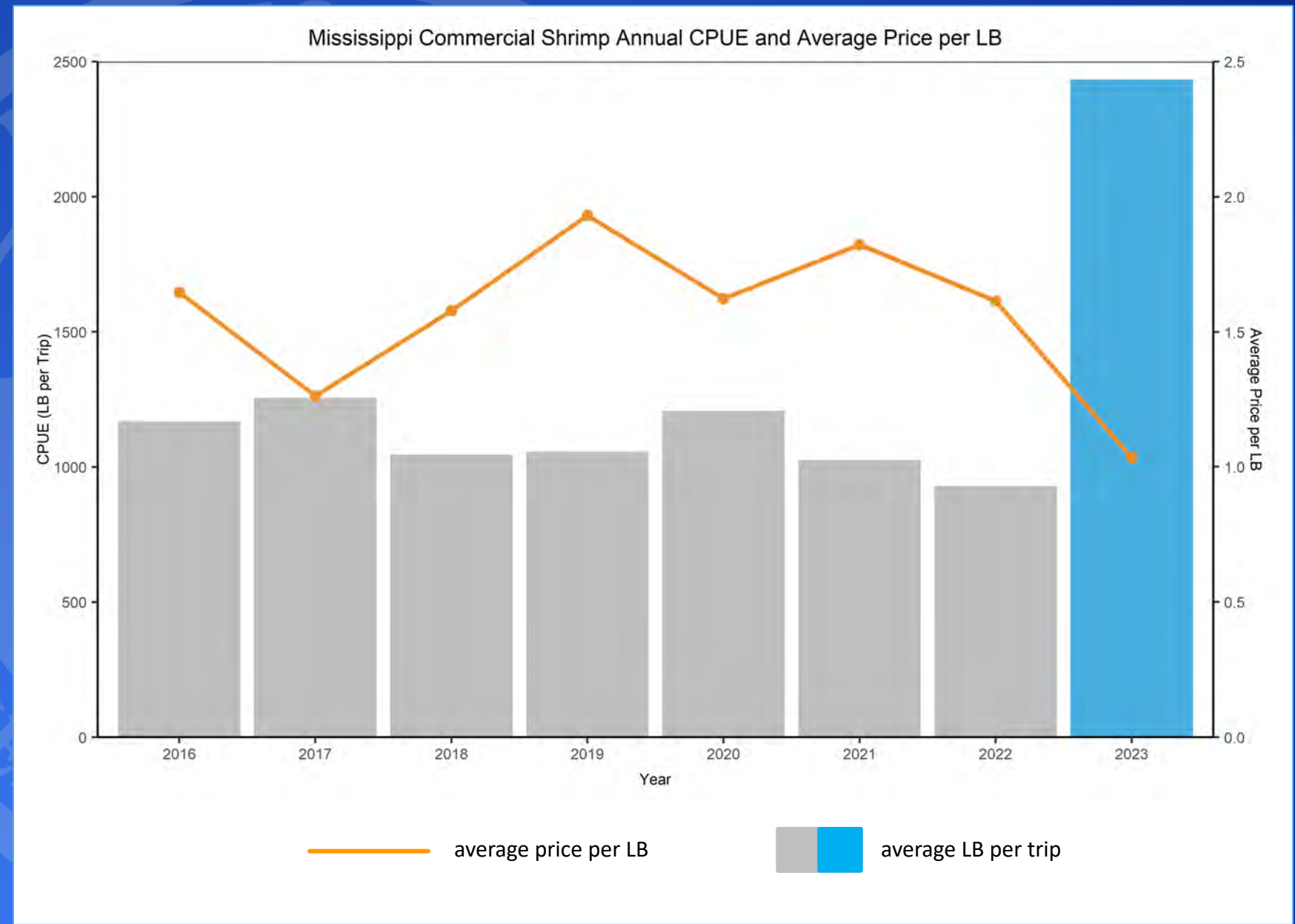
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## Parameters:

- Stat Area 11.3 - MS Sound
- All shrimp species

## Considerations:

- Fishing behavior based on economic drivers
- Market size disparities
- Total trips

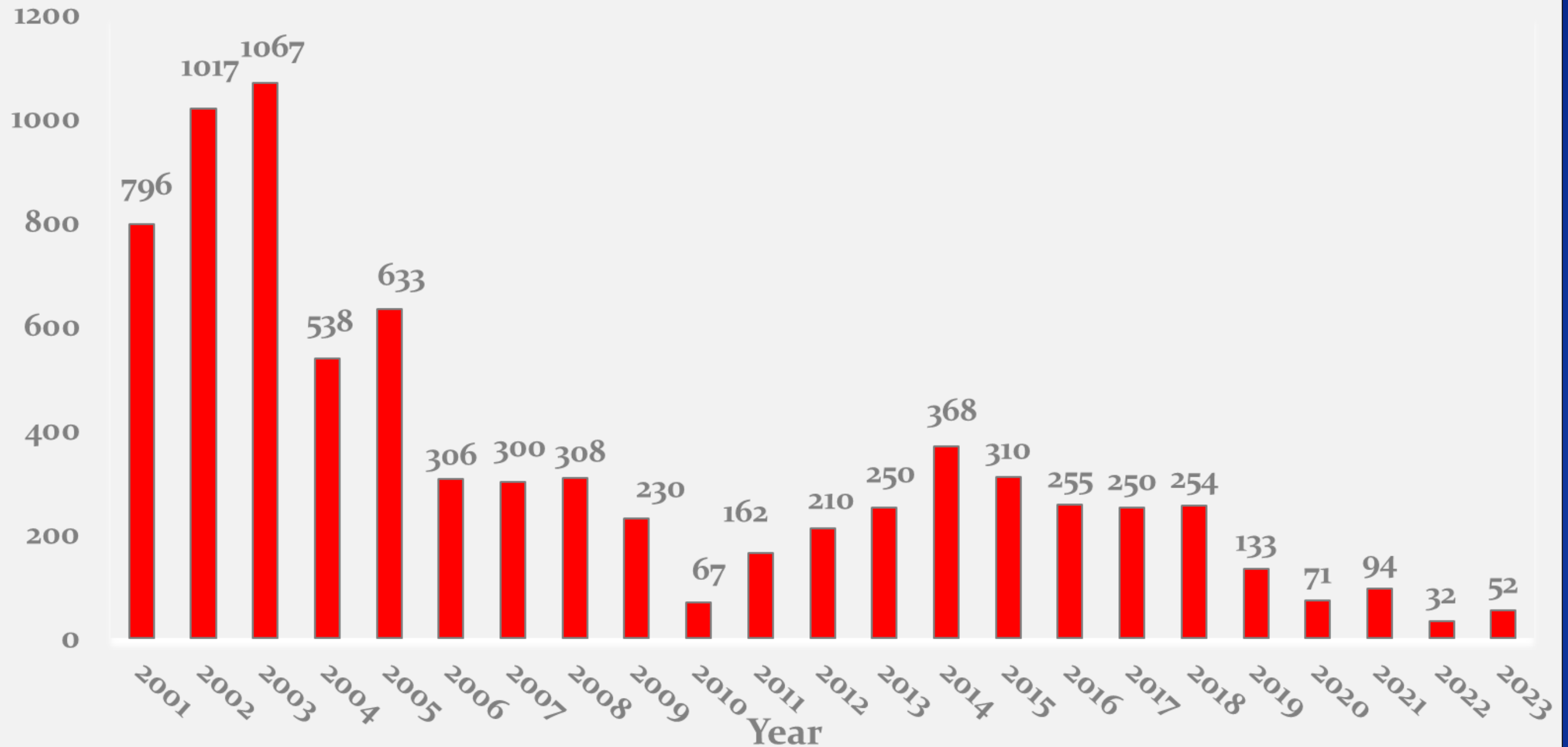






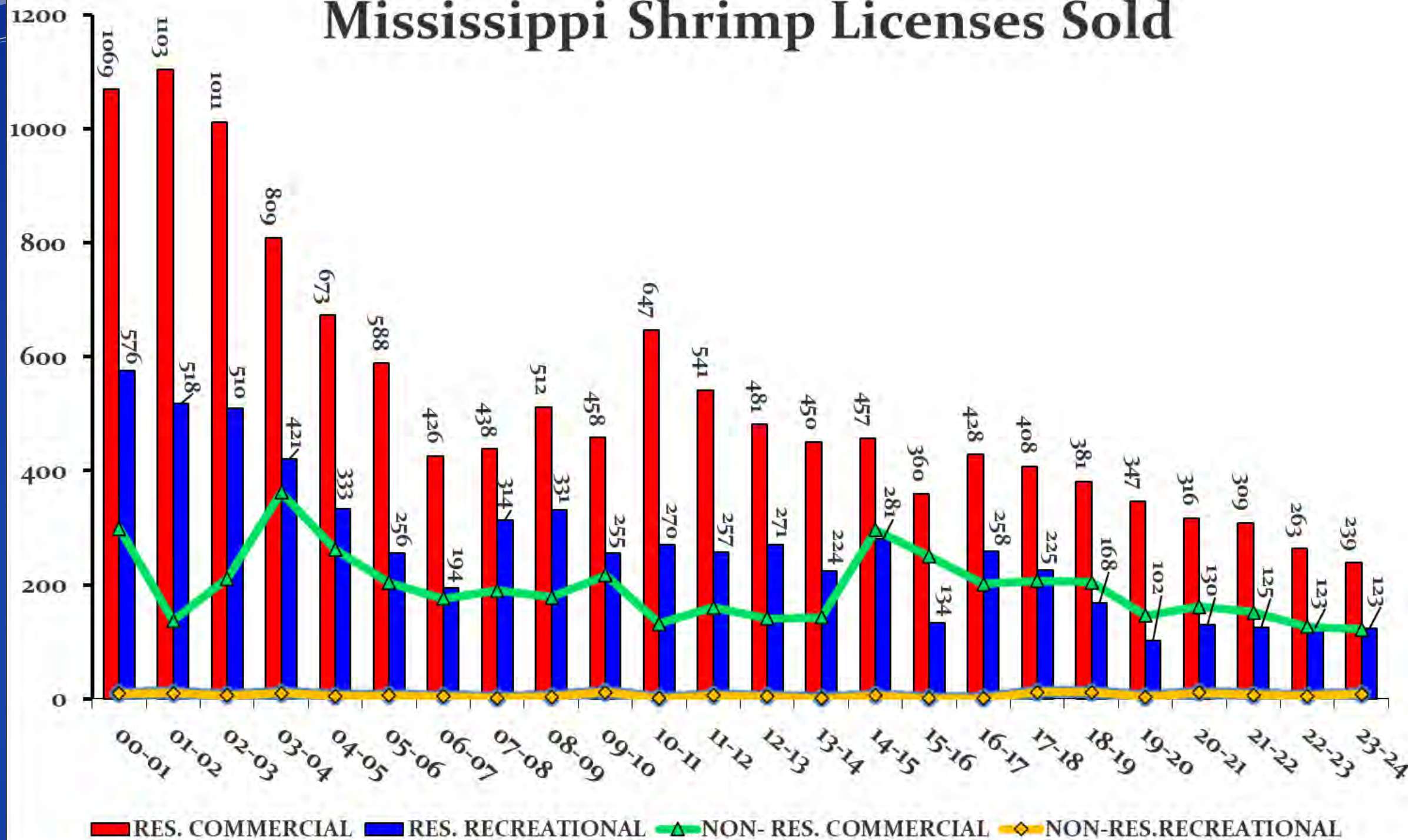
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# Mississippi Shrimp Season Opening Day Shrimp Vessel Count



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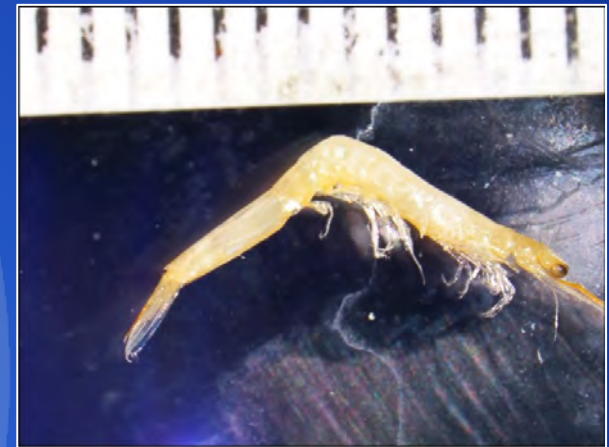
# Mississippi Shrimp Licenses Sold





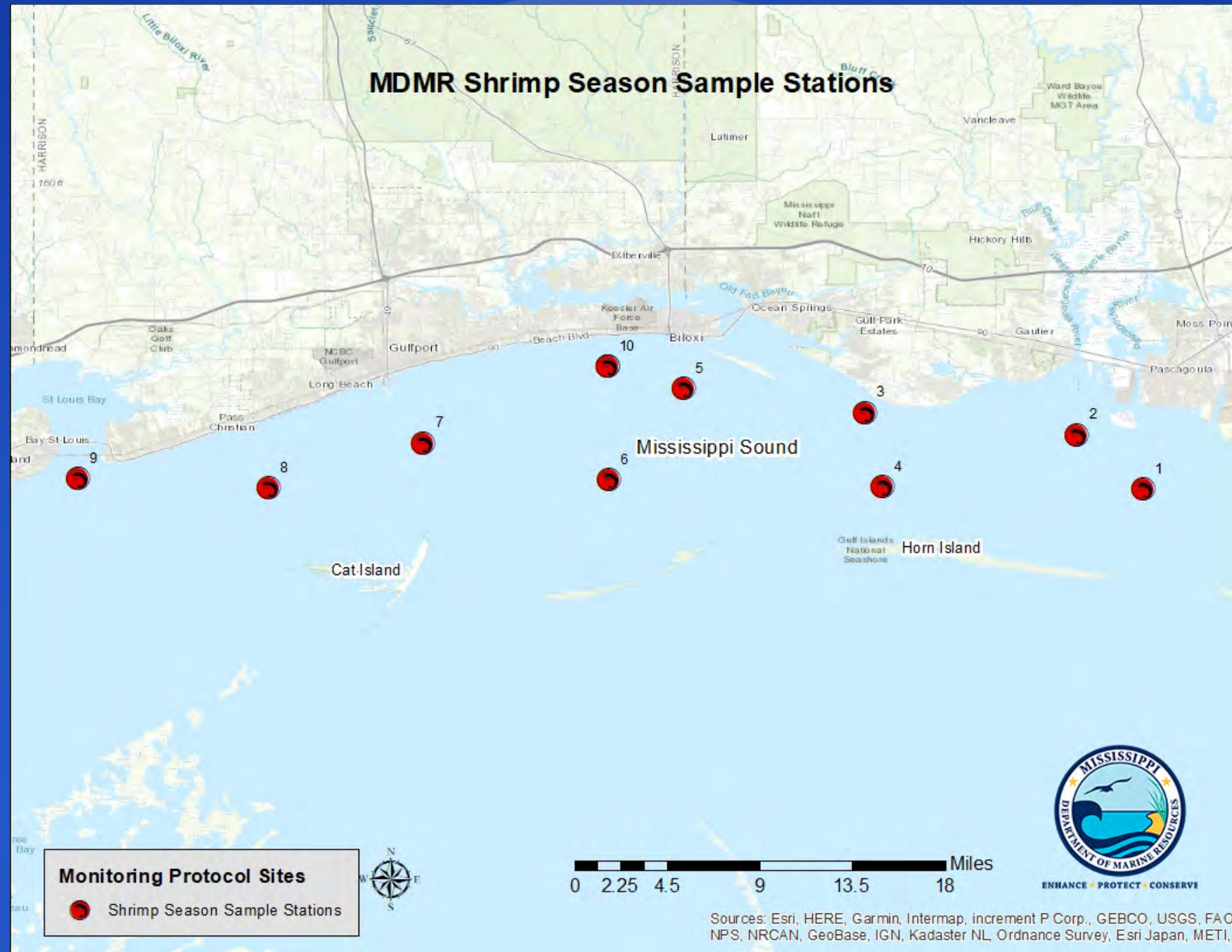
# Mississippi Shrimp Season Opening Sampling

- **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





# MS Shrimp Monitoring Program



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# Shrimp Monitoring Program CPUE



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# May 20, 2024 sample representatives





# MS Skimmer Trawl TED Reimbursement Program

- Program began April 1, 2021 and will end July 31, 2024
- Eligibility requirements: 2018-2019 or 2019-2020 and a current 2020-2021 Mississippi resident commercial shrimp license for a skimmer trawl vessel 40 feet and over
- A maximum of two NOAA-approved TEDs and installation will be reimbursed per qualified licensed vessel not to exceed \$700 (\$350 per TED).
- Apply online via MDMR website at <https://arcg.is/1uamKqo>



# Questions?



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# **K 2. Updates to Title 22 Part 1 Rules and Regulations for Molluscan Shellfish Related Activities to Conform with the Requirements of Senate Bill 2648 and HB 1007**

Jason Rider

May 21, 2024



# Changes to Title 22 Part 1

- Amended the requirements for tagging of shellfish according to House Bill 1007
- Added/adjusted language in Chapter 10 pertaining to Senate Bill 2648
- Added definitions pertaining to Senate Bill 2648
- Amended the requirements for On-Bottom Molluscan Shellfish Leases according to Senate Bill 2648

# Substantive Changes

## Chapter 2

### Definitions

- C. ADVERSE POLLUTION CONDITION – A state or situation caused by meteorological, hydrological or seasonal events or point source discharges that has historically resulted in elevated fecal coliform levels in a particular growing area.
- L. CERTIFICATION OR CERTIFY - The issuance of a numbered certificate to a person for a particular activity or group of activities that indicates: (a) Permission from the MDMR Authority to conduct the activity; and (b) Compliance with the requirements of the NSSP Model Ordinance.



# Substantive Changes

## Chapter 2 Definitions

- o. COMMERCIAL MOLLUSCAN SHELLFISH AQUACULTURE PERMIT – A permit issued by the MDMR Shellfish Bureau to a Mississippi aquaculture harvester. The harvester must have an active commercial aquaculture harvesters license. The permit includes endorsements allowable for the harvester including grow-out and seed purchases, seed nursery, wet storage, intermediate shellstock grow-out, off-site cultivation, bulk tagging, and transport of shellstock across state lines. ~~The permit must be renewed annually at the start of the calendar year.~~ Renewal of this permit is required on an annual basis, with expiration occurring on April 30th each year.
- p. COMMERCIAL MOLLUSCAN SHELLFISH LEASE PERMIT – A permit issued by the MDMR Shellfish Bureau to an active, on-bottom, private lease holder. The permit includes endorsements allowable for the harvester including harvest of molluscan shellfish and cultch material deployment on the lease. ~~The permit must be renewed annually at the start of the calendar year.~~ Renewal of this permit is required on an annual basis, with expiration occurring on April 30th each year.
- q. COMMERCIAL MOLLUSCAN SHELLSTOCK TRANSPORT PERMIT – A permit issued by the MDMR Shellfish Bureau to a Mississippi Certified Dealer and/or Processor for the transportation of shellstock by a marine vessel from waters outside of the state of Mississippi into the state of Mississippi. ~~The permit must be renewed annually at the start of the calendar year.~~ Renewal of this permit is required on an annual basis, with expiration occurring on April 30th each year.

# Substantive Changes

## Chapter 2 Definitions

- S. CONTAINER - Any bag, sack, tote, conveyance or other receptacle used for containing shellfish for holding or transporting.
- T. CULTIVATION -The deliberate actions taken by the lessee to improve conditions for the growth, reproduction, and overall well-being of oyster populations within the designated lease area. This involves activities such as bagless dredging and other forms of substrate maintenance. Leaseholders may submit additional or alternative activities to the Executive Director for approval to adhere to the requirements of this Part.
- EE. MOST PROBABLE NUMBER (MPN) - a statistical estimate of the number of bacteria per unit volume and is determined from the number of positive results in a series of fermentation tubes.



# Substantive Changes

## Chapter 2 Definitions

LL. PROPAGATION - The deliberate actions taken by the lessee to increase the population of oysters within the designated lease area. This includes cultch deployment and stocking oyster seed or spat. Leaseholders may submit additional or alternative activities to the Executive Director for approval to adhere to the requirements of this Part.

NN. RELAY - To transfer shellstock from a growing area classified as restricted or conditionally restricted to a growing area classified as approved or conditionally approved for the purpose of reducing pathogens as measured by the coliform indicator group or poisonous or deleterious substances that may be present in the shellstock by using the ambient environment as the treatment process.

CCC. TRIP TICKET – A form of written documentation that includes the date time and each lot of shellfish harvested.

# Substantive Changes

## Chapter 3

# Management and Classification of Molluscan Shellfish Growing Waters

### Rule 3.4 Shellfish Growing Waters Openings and Closings for State-Owned Reefs and Private Leases

A. The MDMR will set the opening date of oyster season on state-owned reefs in an opening order in accordance with the most current version of the NSSP Model Ordinance. The opening order will include:

1. Opening date
2. Open molluscan shellfish growing areas
3. Check station location(s), if applicable.
4. Oyster hotline number or other means of notification
5. Sack limits and/or quotas
6. Allowable gear type
7. Reference to the rules and regulations of molluscan shellfish related activities



# Substantive Changes

## Chapter 4

# Harvesting, Landing and Transfer of Molluscan Shellfish

### Rule 4.2 Harvesting Molluscan Shellfish from State-Owned Reefs

- F. Molluscan shellstock harvested from state-owned reefs must be culled according to MS Code 49-15-38.
- G. It is unlawful to transfer molluscan shellfish from one vessel to another vessel, until ~~the vessels have been checked out at the appropriate check station.~~ both vessels have been checked out at the designated landing location.

# Substantive Changes

## Chapter 5

### Labeling and Tagging of Molluscan Shellfish

#### Rule 5.5 Tagging Shellstock from Private Leases and State-Owned Reefs

- A. All on-bottom and off-bottom molluscan shellfish reef lessees must adhere to the labeling and tagging rules and regulations outlined in the ~~lease contract~~ Lease Agreement for Oyster Production, or lease permit, Molluscan Shellfish Commercial On-Bottom Lease Permit, and the most current version of the NSSP Model Ordinance.
- B. Harvest tags not originating directly from the MDMR Authority for Commercial On-Bottom Lease Harvest and Commercial Aquaculture Harvest must receive approval from the MDMR Authority in accordance with the most current version of the NSSP Model Ordinance before use. All tags not originating directly from the MDMR Authority must abide by the guidelines in this Part.
- C. All harvest tags for state-owned reefs must originate from the MDMR Authority in accordance with the most current version of the NSSP Model Ordinance.
- D. Harvest tags must meet the following requirements:
  - 1. Shall be durable and waterproof.
  - 2. Shall be at least 5 ½ x 2 ¾ inches in size.
  - 3. Shall stay affixed to the container until the container is in the possession of an individual or business who is licensed, and certified to sell shellfish.
  - 4. Shall not be reused.



# Substantive Changes

## Chapter 5

### Labeling and Tagging of Molluscan Shellfish

#### Rule 5.5 Tagging Shellstock from Private Leases and State-Owned Reefs

5. Harvesters must complete all information on the tag, including:

- i. The harvester's identification number as assigned by the Authority.
- ii. Harvest Date.
- iii. Harvest Area.
- iv. Type of molluscan shellfish.
- v. Quantity of molluscan shellfish.
- vi. The statement “THIS TAG IS REQUIRED TO BE ATTACHED UNTIL CONTAINER IS EMPTY OR IS RETAGGED AND THEREAFTER KEPT ON FILE FOR 90 DAYS” in bold capitalized type.

E. Shellstock must be ~~tagged at the time of landing~~ landed at an approved dock, with tags attached, prior to shipment. Tags shall be filled out with indelible, legible information in accordance with the most current version of the NSSP Model Ordinance.

G. All shellstock tags must be affixed to the outside of the sack or container. ~~with the fastener provided by the MDMR.~~

# Substantive Changes

## Chapter 8

### Molluscan Shellfish Aquaculture Operations

#### Rule 8.2 On-Bottom Molluscan Shellfish Aquaculture

- A. Any cultch materials used for molluscan shellfish aquaculture must be approved by the MDMR before use. All material must be Approved Cultch Material as defined in Chapter 02 of this Part.
  
3. Exceptions to this list of ~~generally accepted cultch materials~~ Approved Cultch Material must be specifically approved by the MDMR Authority.



# Substantive Changes

## Chapter 10

### Molluscan Shellfish Leases

Rule 10.1 All Molluscan Shellfish Leases must adhere to the following boundary markings:

- B. Each leaseholder must mark ~~at least the four (4)~~ corners of each lease with an appropriate marker and must maintain all markers. If the lease configuration does not have definitive corners, the boundaries must be marked in a manner that clearly identifies the lease area.
- ~~D. Each off-bottom lessee must file a "Private Aids to Navigation" application with and receive permit approval from the U.S. Coast Guard, for the lease markers, and provide a copy of the permit approval to the MDMR Director of Marine Fisheries prior to final granting of the lease and placement of the markers.~~

# Substantive Changes

## Chapter 10

### Molluscan Shellfish Leases

- Rule 10.2 All-Off-bottom Molluscan Shellfish Leases
  - A. All off-bottom molluscan shellfish aquaculture harvesters must adhere to the rules and regulations outlined in the applicable Public Trust Tidelands Sublease, Commercial Aquaculture Permit, this Part, and the most current version of the NSSP Model Ordinance.
  - B. Each off-bottom lessee must file a "Private Aids to Navigation" application with and receive permit approval from the U.S. Coast Guard, for the lease markers, and provide a copy of the permit approval to the MDMR Authority prior to final granting of the lease and placement of the markers.



# Substantive Changes

## Chapter 10

### Molluscan Shellfish Leases

- Rule 10.3 On-Bottom Molluscan Shellfish Leases

#### A. Lease Application

1. Any person wanting to lease bottoms must complete an on-bottom shellfish lease application in writing and submit it to the MDMR Authority. ~~Applications are available at the MDMR office.~~
2. Applications will be available at the MDMR office and on it's website.
4. Applicants must be a resident of the State of Mississippi or if a firm or corporation, such firm or corporation shall be organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi, registered with the Secretary of State's Office, and owned by a resident of the State of Mississippi.
6. Each application must be accompanied by a plat showing the proposed lease area using decimal degrees coordinates, ~~a map taken from NOAA nautical charts, 11371, 11372, 11373, or 11374,~~ depicting the area to be leased and a description of cultch material and amount to be deployed.

# Substantive Changes

## Chapter 10

### Molluscan Shellfish Leases

7. ~~Upon initial leasing of new areas, pursuant to Senate Bill 2544-2648, 2023 of the 2024 Regular Legislative Session, The MDMR will issue a “Request for Proposals,” the response to which must include the following information in addition to the application:~~ a Public Notice that applications will be accepted, and such applications will be prioritized based on qualifications established in MS Code 49-15-27. ~~must include the following information:~~
- ~~a. Identification of the classification of property for lease~~
  - ~~b. Evidence of the applicant's financial stability~~
  - ~~c. Proposed acreage to be leased~~
  - ~~d. Amount of proposed acreage to be culched/seeded~~
  - ~~e. Timeframe for cultivation on the proposed lease~~
  - ~~f. Experience in reef development.~~



# Substantive Changes

## Chapter 10

### Molluscan Shellfish Leases

#### B. Lease Application Review

1. The MDMR Authority will review and evaluate each lease application based on the information provided in the application and ~~in the response to the “Request for Proposals”~~; determine ~~whether~~ the qualifications of each applicant.
2. Approval of lease applications will be based on ~~the criteria established by the “Request for Proposals” and an evaluation of~~ the information provided in the response application. Applicants will be prioritized based upon ~~their level of experience in oyster cultivation and their financial stability~~ the qualifications established in MS Code 49-15-27.
3. The MDMR Authority may request additional information from the applicant or conduct site visits as part of the ~~evaluation~~ application process.

# Substantive Changes

## Chapter 10

### Molluscan Shellfish Leases

#### B. Lease Application Review

7. In the event that applications are received for overlapping areas, the area will be assigned to the applicant with the highest priority based upon the qualifications established in MS Code 49-15-27. In the event that the areas applied for are the exact same area and the applicants are deemed to possess the exact same experience and financial stability, the MDMR will award that particular lease to the first applicant. ~~The applications must be processed in order of the earliest receipt and so noted by the MDMR Authority, prior to consideration of each lease application; however, the MDMR is authorized to exercise its discretion as to which bid is the highest responsible bid, and such~~ leases must be awarded to promote the maximum cultivation and propagation of molluscan shellfish.
8. ~~The MDMR will either grant or deny the lease application and the applicant will be notified in writing of the action on their lease application no less than 30 days after the action proposal.~~

# Substantive Changes

## Chapter 10

### Molluscan Shellfish Leases

#### C. Lease Conditions

4. All leases issued ~~before or after July 1 of each year~~ must be prorated from the date of lease to the following expiration of fifteen (15) years from the date of the lease.
7. Each application for an on-bottom lease must be for a minimum of one (1) acre but must not exceed 2,500 acres.
- ~~9. The proposed lease area must be configured as a square or rectangle with the lease area boundaries meeting at right angles. However, the lease rent may be adjusted pro rata to conform to non-rectangular shapes within the lease area.~~
- ~~10. The length of the proposed lease area cannot be greater than twice the distance of the width of the lease area.~~
11. No proposed lease areas will be approved that are within ~~100 feet yards~~ 50 yards of an existing lease area or lease area that is pending final approval, unless the same person holds both leases.



# Substantive Changes

## Chapter 10

### Molluscan Shellfish Leases

#### D. Cultivation and Propagation Requirements

~~5. Planting, harvest, and cultivation activities shall be reported to the MDMR annually by December 31st.~~

~~7. Failure to meet the above requirements may be deemed an “Event of Default”.~~

# Substantive Changes

## Chapter 10

### Molluscan Shellfish Leases

#### E. Reporting

2. All on-bottom molluscan shellfish reef lessees must submit an annual written summary with supporting documentation of lease activity, to include planting, harvesting and cultivation, to the MDMR Shellfish Bureau for the previous lease period no later than December 31<sup>st</sup> of each year. ~~within 30 days on or before January 30<sup>th</sup> of each year.~~

#### F. Termination and Waivers

2. Non-compliance with lease terms, laws, and regulations after an opportunity to remedy the non-compliance may result in termination of the lease and forfeits to the MDMR all the works, improvements, betterments, and oysters on the leased water bottom.

#### G. Subleases and Transfers ~~Failure of the lessee to meet the cultivation and propagation requirements of the agency will be deemed an “Event of Default”~~

5. The lease transferee must be a ~~Mississippi resident or corporation.~~ resident of the State of Mississippi, or if a firm or corporation, such firm or corporation shall be organized under the laws of the State of Mississippi and owned by a resident of the State of Mississippi.
6. The new lease combined with other leases held by the lease transferee must not amount to more than 2,500 acres.

# Notice of Intent

Recommendation to the Executive Director that the proposed changes to Title 22, Part 1 be sent to the Secretary of State's Office for Notice of Intent.

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# Background

- Current management regime
  - 16 inch minimum size limit
  - 2 fish per person bag limit
- Primary goal
  - Allow the Executive Director the flexibility to alter the bag/size limit for Red Snapper on an annual basis
- States given authority under Amendment 50 for this action



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# Final Adoption

## Regulatory Changes to Title 22 Part 03 – Red Snapper Bag and Size Limits

Trevor Moncrief  
May 21, 2024

K.3.

# Title 22 Part 3 Chapter 7 Recreational Bag, Possession, and Size

G. The recreational fishing season, bag limit, and size limit for Red Snapper shall be set by the Executive Director. The recreational opening order for Red Snapper shall include language establishing the size limit, bag limit, and season structure for the corresponding season. In the event that the size and bag limit is not listed in the opening order, the established limits listed above in Chapter 7 will apply.



# Procedural Information

- Proposed rule submitted to Secretary of State Administrative Bulletin 4/18/2024
- MDMR Website updated with notice 4/19/2024
- Ad displayed in Sun Herald 5/8/2024
- Public Comments – To date no public comments have been received.



## Title 22 Part 3 – Proposed Changes

Public Notices / April 22, 2024

The Mississippi Department of Marine Resources (MDMR) does hereby give public notice that on April 22, 2024, at the regularly scheduled meeting of the Mississippi Advisory Commission on Marine Resources (MACMR), the Commission recommended approval of and the Executive Director approved a Notice of Intent to update, modify and change below listed sections of Title 22 Part 3 Pertaining to recreational size and bag limits, addition of language giving the Executive Director the authority to determine the bag and size limit for Red Snapper. Said Notice of Intent was filed with the Mississippi Secretary of State's office on April 18, 2024. A complete copy of Title 22 Part 3 and the proposed changes are available at [www.dmr.ms.gov](http://www.dmr.ms.gov). Public comments on the proposed regulation changes will be accepted through Monday May 20, 2024. All comments should be mailed to the MDMR, Attn: Trevor Moncrief, 1141 Bayview Avenue, Biloxi, MS 39530 or emailed to: [Trevor.Moncrief@dmr.ms.gov](mailto:Trevor.Moncrief@dmr.ms.gov) and delivered by 5:00 PM on May 20, 2024.

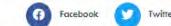
Short explanation of rule/amendment/peal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/peal:

TITLE 22 – MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES PART 3

Size and Bag Limits, addition of language giving the Executive Director the authority to determine the bag and size limit for Red Snapper. Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: Mississippi Code Ann. § 49-15-15, APA, § 25-43-1.101 et seq.

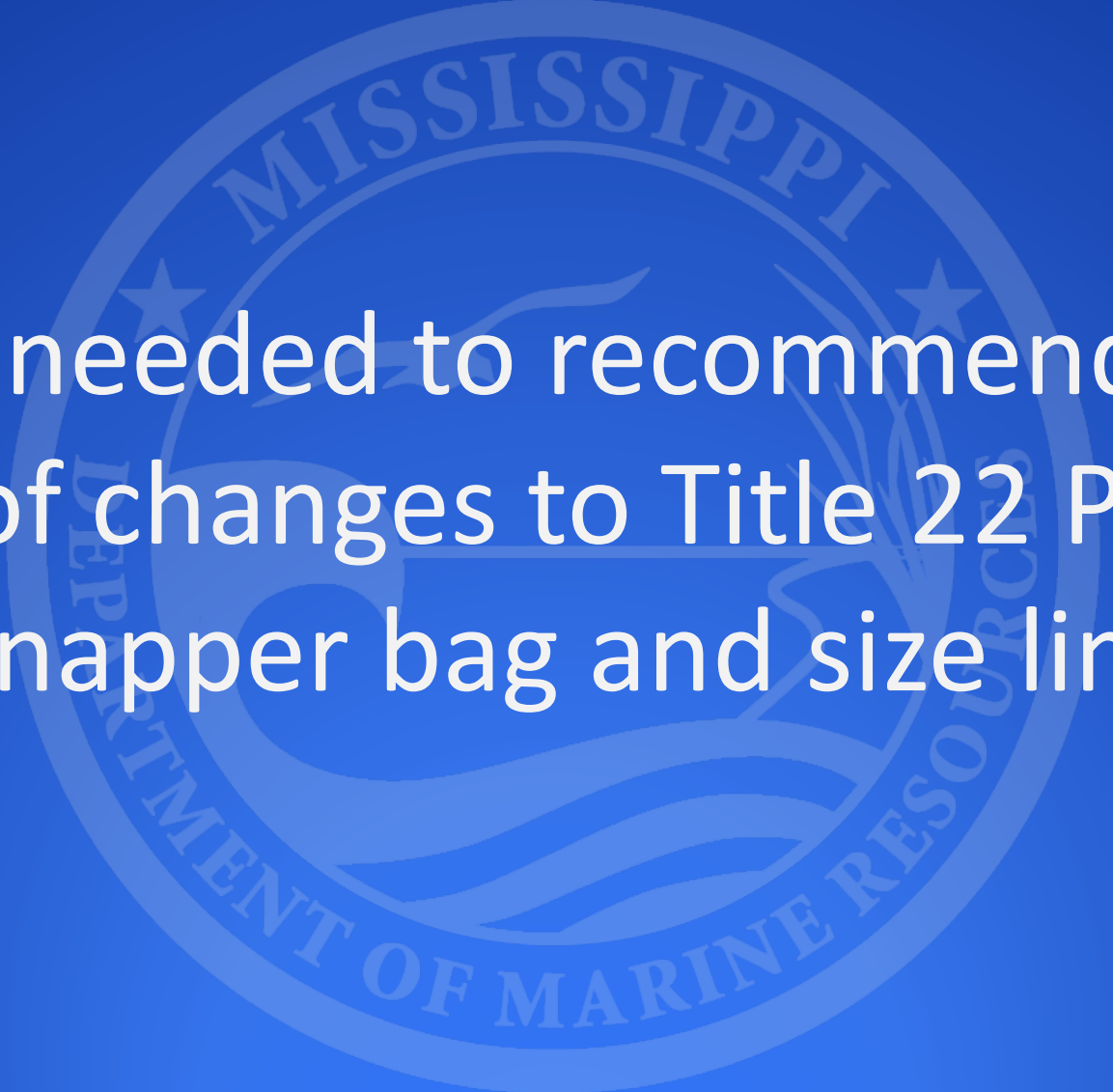
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<p>Short explanation of rule/amendment/peal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/peal: TITLE 22 – MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES PART 3 size and bag limits for certain species and regulation for gear. Establishment of Executive Director authority to set season, bag and size limits for Red Snapper.</p> <p>Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: Mississippi Code Ann. § 49-15-15, APA, § 25-43-1.101 et seq.</p> <p>List all rules repealed, amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: <a href="#">Title 22, Part 3: see above summary description, complete description attached.</a></p> <p>ORAL PROCEEDING:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> An oral proceeding is scheduled for this rule on Date: _____ Time: _____ Place: _____</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Presently, an oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule.</p> <p>If an oral proceeding is not scheduled, an oral proceeding must be held if a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a political subdivision, an agency or unit (EE) or more persons. The written request should be submitted to the agency contact person at the above address within twenty (20) days after the filing of this notice of proposed rule adoption and should include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the person(s) making the request; and, if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the party or parties you represent. At any time within the twenty-five (25) day public comment period, written submissions including arguments, data, and views on the proposed rule/amendment/peal may be submitted to the filing agency.</p> <p>ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Economic impact statement not required for this rule. <input type="checkbox"/> Concise summary of economic impact statement attached.</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>TEMPORARY RULES</th> <th>PROPOSED ACTION ON RULES</th> <th>FINAL ACTION ON RULES</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Original filing _____</td> <td>Action proposed: New rule(s) _____</td> <td>Date Proposed Rule Filed: _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Renewal of effectiveness To be in effect in _____ days</td> <td>Amendment to existing rule(s) _____</td> <td>Adopted with no changes in text _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Effective date: _____</td> <td>Repeal of existing rule(s) _____</td> <td>Adopted by reference _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Immediately upon filing _____</td> <td>Adoption by reference _____</td> <td>Withdrawn _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Other (specify): _____</td> <td>Proposed final effective date: _____</td> <td>Repeal adopted as proposed _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>30 days after filing _____</td> <td>Effective date: _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>Other (specify): _____</td> <td>30 days after filing _____</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td>Other (specify): 2/1/2024</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Printed name and Title of person authorized to file rules: Joe Spraggins Executive Director Signature of person authorized to file rules: /s/ Joe Spraggins</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>OFFICIAL FILING STAMP</th> <th>DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE OFFICIAL FILING STAMP</th> <th>OFFICIAL FILING STAMP</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td></td> <td style="text-align: center;"> </td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Accepted for filing by _____</td> <td>Accepted for filing by <i>[Signature]</i></td> <td>Accepted for filing by _____</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.</p>			TEMPORARY RULES	PROPOSED ACTION ON RULES	FINAL ACTION ON RULES	Original filing _____	Action proposed: New rule(s) _____	Date Proposed Rule Filed: _____	Renewal of effectiveness To be in effect in _____ days	Amendment to existing rule(s) _____	Adopted with no changes in text _____	Effective date: _____	Repeal of existing rule(s) _____	Adopted by reference _____	Immediately upon filing _____	Adoption by reference _____	Withdrawn _____	Other (specify): _____	Proposed final effective date: _____	Repeal adopted as proposed _____		30 days after filing _____	Effective date: _____		Other (specify): _____	30 days after filing _____			Other (specify): 2/1/2024	OFFICIAL FILING STAMP	DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE OFFICIAL FILING STAMP	OFFICIAL FILING STAMP				Accepted for filing by _____	Accepted for filing by <i>[Signature]</i>	Accepted for filing by _____
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The logo of the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is a circular seal. It features a central figure of a fish, likely a red snapper, with its mouth open. The fish is set against a background of wavy lines representing water. The seal is surrounded by a circular border containing the text "MISSISSIPPI" at the top and "DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES" at the bottom. Two stars are positioned on either side of the fish.

Motion needed to recommend final  
adoption of changes to Title 22 Part 3 for  
Red Snapper bag and size limits

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# State Saltwater Finfish Records

Trevor Moncrief

May 21, 2024

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# All Tackle

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# All Tackle Fishing Record

Red Grouper  
*Epinephelus morio*

Old Record: 22 lbs. 12 oz.

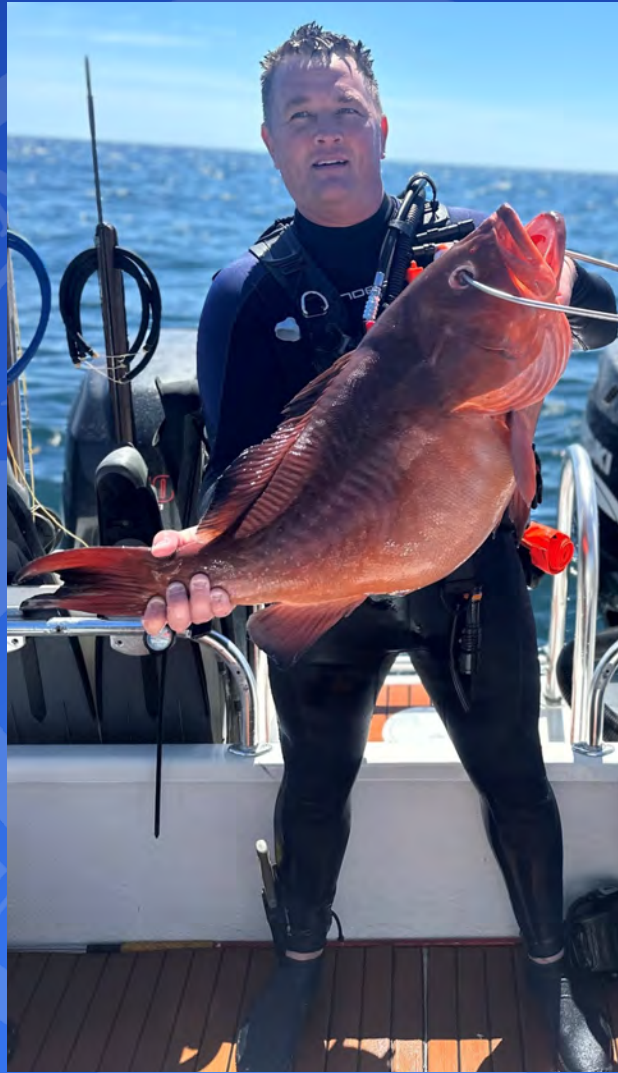
New Record: 27 lbs. 0.32 oz.

Angler: Darin Grant



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The seal of the Mississippi Department of Marine Resources is centered in the background. It features a circular border with the text "MISSISSIPPI" at the top and "DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES" at the bottom, separated by two stars. The central image depicts a fish leaping from the water, with a stylized sun or moon in the background.

Required:  
Motion to Adopt New State Records

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