WEEKLY UPDATE: 11/30/2014 NORTH CAROLINA FISHERIES ASSOCIATION

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VESSEL INCIDENTAL DISCHARGE PERMIT EXEMPTION:

Next month incidental vessel discharge rule exemptions for commercial and charter vessels expire. Last week two bills were introduced in the U.S. Senate to extend the exemption. Commercial and charter groups are urging the Senate to act. You can find more information here.

MARINE FISHERIES COMMISSION SUMMARY:

The Marine Fisheries Commission met Nov. 19-21 at the Hilton Garden Inn in Kitty Hawk for its quarterly business meeting. You can read a summary of the meeting here.

MEETINGS:

If you are aware of ANY meetings that should be of interest to commercial fishing that is not on this list, please contact us so we can include it here.

Dec. 1-5 - South Atlantic Fishery Management Council Meeting, Doubletree, New Bern

Dec. 3 - ASMFC/MAFMC Summer Flounder, Scup, Black Sea Bass Advisory Panel Webinar, 1:30-4:30 p.m.

Dec. 8 - Oyster and Hard Clam Fishery Management Plan Advisory Committee Meeting, Washington, 6 p.m.

Dec. 9-11 - Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council Meeting, Baltimore, MD

MFC/DMF Meeting Schedule

PROCLAMATIONS:

STRIPED BASS SEASON - BEACH SEINES: ATLANTIC OCEAN

ARTIFICIAL REEF COMMERCIAL FISHING EQUIPMENT

TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF RULE, HARVEST RESTRICTIONS - AMERICAN EEL

FLOUNDER-COMMERCIAL HARVEST INTERNAL COASTAL WATERS

TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF PARTIAL RULE - ATLANTIC OCEAN STRIPED BASS COMMERCIAL GEAR PERMIT DATE OF ACQUISITION

CHI	NETS	ALREMARIE SOUND	AREA- MANAGEMENT UNIT A
CTILL.	INELIS -	- ALBEMAKLE SUUND	JAKEA- MANAGEMENT UNIT A

FLOUNDER - COMMERCIAL FISHING OPERATIONS - ATLANTIC OCEAN

RULE SUSPENSION-GILL NET RESTRICTIONS: INTERNAL COASTAL WATERS

<u>BLACK SEA BASS - COMMERCIAL FISHING OPERATIONS - ATLANTIC OCEAN-NORTH OF CAPE HATTERAS</u>

RED DRUM-COMMERCIAL FISHING OPERATIONS

COMMERCIAL SHARK CLOSURE: LARGE COASTAL SHARKS