

WEEKLY UPDATE: 2/27/2015
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MARINE FISHERIES COMMISSION MEETING:

Read a detailed meeting summary of the meeting [here](#).

HYDE COUNTY FISHERMAN'S FORUM



FISHERMAN'S FORUM
MARCH 13, 2015 4:00 pm
Phillip's Place 23145 Hwy 264 Swan Quarter, NC 27885
\$12 at the Door

GUEST SPEAKERS
Jerry Schill, NG Fisheries
Senator Bill Cook
Representative Paul Tine
Karen Amspacher, NG Catch
Barry Nash, Sea Grant

Greater Hyde County Chamber of Commerce
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Mark Hierholzer

MAFMC RECOMMENDS EMERGENCY ACTION FOR BLUELINE TILEFISH

During a webinar meeting on Feb. 27, the Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council voted to request that the National Marine Fisheries Service implement emergency rules to restrict commercial and recreational landings of blueline tilefish in the Mid-Atlantic. The council's recommendations include a 300 whole weight commercial trip limit and a seven fish per person recreational trip limit. These measures are intended to prevent depletion of the stock while the council develops long term management measures through the normal rulemaking process. For more information see the [news release](#).

UPCOMING SOUTH ATLANTIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL MEETING

The council will meet March 2-6 at the The King and Prince Resort in St. Simons Island, GA to address Amendment 35 (removal of species and golden tilefish endoresments), Regulatory Amendment 16 (black sea bass pot closure), Amendment 36 (spawning Special Management Zones), and blueline tilefish concerns. For more information see the [news release](#).

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.

March 2-6 - South Atlantic Fishery Management Council, The King and Prince Resort, 201 Arnold Rd., St. Simons Island, GA

March 9 at 2 p.m. - NCFA Board of Directors Meeting, The N.C. Estuarium, 223 E. Water St., Washington

March 9 at 6 p.m. - Oyster and Hard Clam Fishery Management Plan Advisory Committee Meeting, 943 Washington Square Mall, Washington

March 10-11 - N.C. Oyster Summit, N.C. Museum of Natural Sciences, 11W. Jones St., Raleigh

March 18 at 10 a.m. - Standard Commercial Fishing License Eligibility Board Meeting, Division of Marine Fisheries Central District Office, 5285 Hwy. 70 W., Morehead City

[MFC/DMF Meeting Schedule](#)

PROCLAMATIONS:

[BLACK SEA BASS – COMMERCIAL FISHING OPERATIONS –ATLANTIC OCEAN- NORTH OF CAPE HATTERAS](#)

[FLOUNDER – COMMERCIAL FISHING OPERATIONS - ATLANTIC OCEAN](#)

[STRIPED BASS SEASON - COMMERCIAL FISHING OPERATIONS - INTERNAL COASTAL WATERS OF CRAVEN, BEAUFORT, AND PAMLICO COUNTIES, PUNGO RIVER, WEST BAY, AND PAMLICO SOUND](#)

[GILL NETS – ALBEMARLE SOUND AREA- MANAGEMENT UNIT A](#)