

Bluefish Supplemental Public Comments

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Albert Richards richardsx4@yahoo.com	Tab 10: Bluefish 2020 Recreational Specifications	Taking bluefish to 3 per day is ridiculous, and it shouldn't be a minimum size, if anything go to maximum size of 18" and let the breeders spawn!!
Bruce Whitley BWHITLEY001@HOTMAIL.COM	Tab 10: Bluefish 2020 Recreational Specifications	<p>I am blessed to have the ability and time to frequent the Kure Beach fishing pier every October for a week of relaxation and fishing with a group from my church (20 +/- people). The fish that we catch is used for a community fish and chicken stew that our church holds for the local community. This year the majority of the fish cooked and served were Bluefish. By limiting the number of Bluefish we can keep would limit our ability to continue this tradition. It appears you are considering restrains on other fish that we also catch.</p> <p>I understand the need to increase the stocks, but would it not be better served and produce quicker recovery by limiting or reducing the amounts allowed for the commercial fisheries? The commercial guys have other fish to harvest should they do so responsibly.</p> <p>the closure or reductions you are proposing could/would shutter many of the recreational piers and lodging facilities along the coast. The monetary impact would be huge. I for one and our church group would refrain from spending a week at the coast. That's roughly a \$2000.00 impact per person.</p> <p>I urge you to consider a size increase rather than a number decrease.</p>
Steve Bernardo getbig2@aol.com	Tab 10: Bluefish 2020 Recreational Specifications, Tab 11: Bluefish Allocation and Rebuilding Amendment	Your info is not correct and the fish are not over fished in NC recresarionally . I may catch over 500 in a season and keep 15 most of my brethren fisherman do the same. We know there is much more tastier fish in the water than Bluefish
Terry Rose terrywrose69@gmail.com	Tab 10: Bluefish 2020 Recreational Specifications, Tab 11: Bluefish Allocation and Rebuilding Amendment	How can bluefish be overfished but overfishing is not occurring? This statement makes no sense. The recreational angler is the one paying for these measures the most. Prohibit inshore netting and ypu will see a stock increase. Wake up and look at the real issues affecting fish stocks, not just bluefish. Inshore netting has a higher net affect than the recreational impact. Vote no to recreational limits.

<p>Brett Bissett brettbissett85@gmail.com</p>	<p>Tab 10: Bluefish 2020 Recreational Specifications, Tab 11: Bluefish Allocation and Rebuilding Amendment</p>	<p>Hello my name is Brett Bissett. I have been charter fishing for my only source of income for going on 16 years in the chesapeake bay. When I am working I am on the water. I also work with other people on the water. Its also my job to observe what's going on around me while I am out there. What other people are trying to catch what they are catching and etcetera. I see alot of recreational fishing boats throughout the season. Through my observations in my career I strongly believe that blue fish are absolutely not overfished. They are for the most part treated as a lower tier fish and are thrown back by most private recreational anglers when caught and they are definitely plentiful and enjoyed by some. I believe if the commity decides in implimenting a reduction in harvest in the the state Virginia for Blue Fish it would be a very poorly informed decision. There are some groups of clients that we do take that want to go bluefishing. Too make such a drastic reduction on the Blue fish harvest limit for charter boats would decrease our clientel. On top of what has happened with our other fisheries. Please review your information carefully as it effects more families than you know, Your decisions not only effect fish, they effect families which depend on these fisheries to survive right now as me and my family do.</p>
<p>John Anderson jlanders423@gmail.com</p>	<p>Tab 10: Bluefish 2020 Recreational Specifications, Tab 11: Bluefish Allocation and Rebuilding Amendment</p>	<p>This is the STUPIDEST thing I've ever heard of, you people need to find something to do!!!</p>
<p>Eric Bregman ericbregman1@gmail.com</p>	<p>Tab 10: Bluefish 2020 Recreational Specifications, Tab 11: Bluefish Allocation and Rebuilding Amendment</p>	<p>The bluefish are too valuable in North Carolina to the piers and for hire community. A small reduction in bag limits seems reasonable but 3 fish is just outright insane.</p>
<p>Corbett Jonson reelaxcharters@outlook.com</p>	<p>Tab 11: Bluefish Allocation and Rebuilding Amendment</p>	<p>That is absolutely ridiculous they are bluefish everywhere all spring summer and fall most people don't even want to keep them but it is nice to be able to keep more than three when you have pain customers come on a charter and that's all you catch because we are overrun with them</p>
<p>Johnnie King jking26@nc.rr.com</p>	<p>Tab 11: Bluefish Allocation and Rebuilding Amendment</p>	<p>The pier/recreational fisherman is not harvesting enough to cause damage to the bluefish or any other species. Instead of putting more restrictions on them consider the idea of putting commercial fishing trawlers and shrimp trawlers further away from the coast They kill more fish in their nets than a hook and line can catch in a life time. Continuing putting restrictions against pier fishing and sports fishing is going g to harm and possibly shutdown the piers in NC but also cause damage to the state's tourism along the coast.</p>