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Subject: Re: FW: Please Forward These Public Comments to EVERYONE You Know Including Y...

Bobby, seems only typical to me that the SAFMC is holding their council meeting in Raleigh this coming week (our states capital). After all, it seems about the only science they rely on is "political" in the management process.

Secondly, with the Chairman of the snapper grouper committee from there, it is only typical of the disconnect that this council has with the actual world we experience daily. I am sure they would be thrilled to know that 2011 was the first year in 35 years that i did not land one pound of snapper grouper species because as you know our primary commercial fisheries up here (Hatteras) are deep water (even sea bass caught primarily outside of 40 fathoms). In fact i doubt there was a commercial fisherman that landed a pound out of here as well....NO THANKS TO THE 40 FATHOM CLOSURE....which they now admit was misguided. Take a year out of a fishermens lives and not so much as and i'm sorry...

Even though you are hurting right now, at least in your case there is light at the end of the tunnel because this is all really about one thing , and that is the ultimate elimination of all but a token commercial fishery. The endorsement process which will take golden tile along with sea bass out of my toolbox is just the beginning, and of course the catch share craze will again be introduced at this council meeting by none other than Kate Quigley who used to be employed with the the council and now is and EDF puppet (which she probably was with the council since she reportedly vacationed with the EDF crowd south of the border while she was still employed by council.) Of course i am sure it was on her own dime. As for Miss Quigley, she was also the council minion that enlightened the fishermen as to their future under catch shares.....which is why over 90% of the fishermen came out against them. Now about the only ones for them (SAFA which employes her) are 39 out of the 800 permit holders who are primarily fish house operators with multiple permits.

As for the endorsement process, they profess to be doing it for the purpose of saving the fishermen involved in a respective fishery. Well before the endorsement process there were fishermen that were...well.....fishermen....who may have utilized 10 or more species to make a trip. As you know sometimes or in some years one would be biting...the next time or year it would be something else. So the endorsement process is about stealing our versatility and backing us into a little corner, and then shutting the door.....and in our case commercially a resurrection won't be allowed.

Some might question how i can feel this way since the charter industry is presently suffering equally with the 40 fathom closure as i am sure you can identify. Well i guess my answer to that would have to be that since 1996 when the 2/1 permit clause went into effect we have been reduced from around 3000 permit holders to around 800 of which i am told less that 300 are active (7 less counting those of us out of Hatteras this year) while at the same time the charter industry has been allowed to more than triple in this state alone. Futhermore, five years ago over 90 % of the commercial permit holders were over 50 and closing in on 60.... The continuance of a 2/1 will leave very shortly leave about 50 of us which was Roy's vision of the future a few years back when sked by those of us on the A.P.

Furthermore, a 100% commercial fishery (WHICH WAS RIDICLOUS TO BEGIN WITH) is going to be reduced by half and then the 6 (yes six) remaining wreckfish ITQ participants are going to be given the latent effort with the exception of the 5 % given to the recreational community . Meanwhile as proposed the remaining however many commercial participants left that interact in deepwater get nothing but potential bycatch.....just more of the bueaties of the catch shares as far as they are concerned since they get to use that against us down the line....or at least have in other fisheries.

Another further example of the erosion perpetuated by this council is the recent decision on mahi which took the non fishing consumers access of this important tablefare down from a paltry 12% to 7% on a species that is not overfished and overfishing is not taking place. As stated before....OUR resurrection won't be allowed....nor obviously will more than a token of the consumers access!

Anyway Bobby, it should start getting better for you in a year or two, provided you can seduce your customers back. Hopefully father time doesn't intercede. Good luck.....! jeff oden

P.S. Bobby i would be more than happy if you shared this with all the others cc'ed priorsince i am sending it onto the council as my public comment... I would go in person but i can no longer justify the gas!

jeff oden

Kim Iverson, please pass on to council as public comment.....