My name is Jim Benvegna. I live in Stuart, FL and primarily now fish out of st. lucie inlet. I have fished offshore for the last 22 years from port canaveral to Key Largo. I wish to make the following comments:

Amendment 28

Action 1. Red Snapper: ACLs, AMs, and Fishing Seasons

Alternative 1 – No Action
This alternative is unacceptable in that it perpetuates the past errors made in the data calculations.

Sub-alternative 2c. Two previous year's ratio.
I support this alternative

Alternative 3. Establish commercial fishing seasons.
I oppose this alternative in that there should not be commercial exploitation of the resource until there is a sustainable recreational year round fishery

Alternative 4. Establish recreational fishing seasons.
I support Sub-alternative 4a. The recreational season will begin at 12:01 A.M. on the second Friday in July.

Alternative 5. Eliminate the red snapper commercial and recreational 20-inch TL minimum size limit.
I oppose this alternative

Alternative 6. Establish a red snapper commercial trip limit.
I oppose this alternative in that there should not be commercial exploitation of the resource until there is a sustainable recreational year round fishery, however if there is to be a commercial trip limit it should be 6a 25 lb. gutted weight.

Alternative 7. Establish a red snapper recreational bag limit of one fish per person per day.
I agree with this alternative

Thank you

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