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Subject: Red snapper..

John,

Red snapper clearly are exceeding habitat carrying capacity across the south Atlantic coastal region..

I fish out of Ponce inlet, St augustine and Port Canaveral and the numbers of ARS are almost beyond comprehension . It's not atypical to catch 20 -30 a day while bottom fishing. Fish of all sizes.."12 to "34.... It's ridiculous that we have to release (all of) these fish 363 days a year (+/-) given the population.

There is nothing that would benefit them more than a 90 day season of one ARS per angler "18-"30 across the Atlantic coastal region..They currently eat everything on the reefs..

I'd like any real science to prove otherwise as to my proposal to a 90 day season - one fish a day per manBoat limit of perhaps 6 or 8...

Clearly this is a case where science isn't doing justice to a species of fish as to managing their numbers..

My advice..Take a few days and GO FISHING for them yourself .. You'll quickly see why I'm spot on as to them being overpopulated... It's obvious that managing this resource correctly isn't a priority of the agency..Let's change that!!!...

Your time in reading this is greatly appreciated.. And any reply as to this would be hugely appreciated as well....

Sincerely..

Lenny M. Lee..