

- this is Scott buff - I'm on the AP advisory panel - I had made a recommendation at the last meeting about reinstating some of the pot endorsements that were lost due to required weights. After a lot of thought about this I think that is the wrong way to determine who actually gets them back - because some people that have been in the fishery for a long time do not meet the requirements and that would not be fair.

The best way to go about this would be to give the endorsement back to the ORIGINAL permit holder as long as the permit had not been sold or transferred. Do not make this an endorsement - attach it TO the permit so that it cannot be sold or leased separately but would have to stay attached to the permit.

In the end we would probably give back the same amount of sea bass pot entries and I think this would be more fair than trying to determine a past weight requirement with the same effects.

Thank you!!

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