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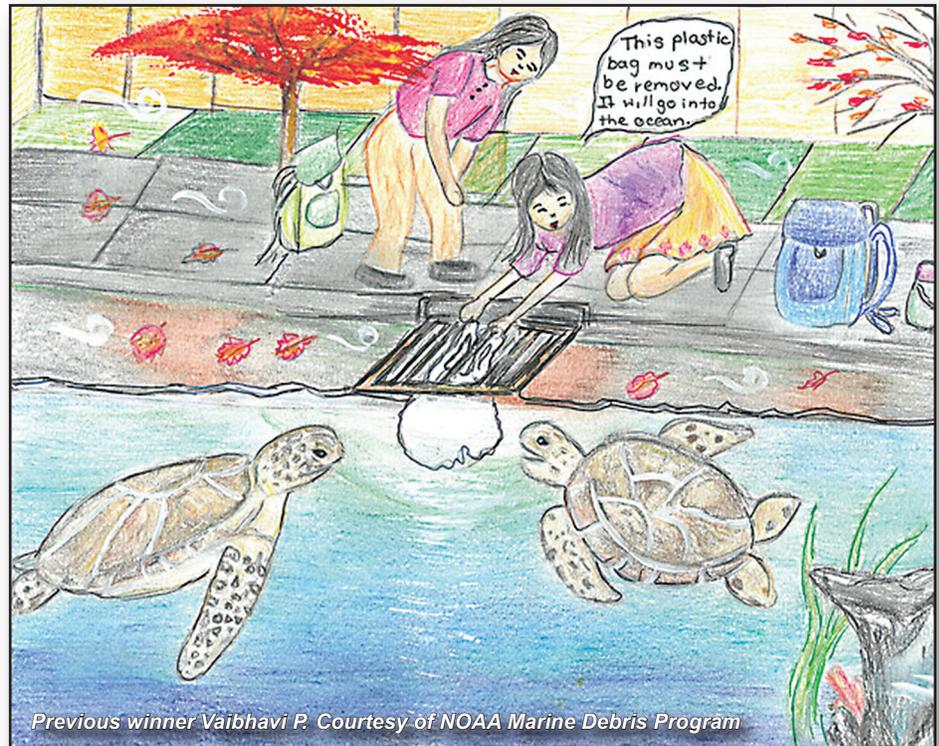
The NOAA Marine Debris Program's annual art contest for grades K-8 is around the corner. Students can submit artwork from Oct 20 through Nov. 30.

This year, show the NOAA Marine Debris Program:

- How marine debris impacts the oceans and the Great Lakes.
- What you are doing to help prevent marine debris.

To help raise marine debris awareness year-round, contest winners will be featured in the 2017 Marine Debris Calendar to remind everyone that we can solve the marine debris problem every day!

For a complete list of contest rules and to download the student entry form and art contest flyer visit <http://marinedebris.noaa.gov/outreach/artcontest.html>.



Previous winner Vaibhavi P. Courtesy of NOAA Marine Debris Program

## LOUISIANA REGULATIONS

### Calcasieu Lake Oyster Season

The West Cove portion of the Calcasieu Lake Public Oyster Area opened for harvest on Sunday, Nov. 1 at one half-hour before sunrise. The sack limit of oysters is seven per day per person, per licensed vessel for the 2015-16 season.

Those participating in commercial oyster harvest in this area are also reminded that a 25-acre area in West Cove where oyster cultch material was deposited in June of this year will be closed to harvest. The coordinates of the four corners of this closed area are as follows:

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| A. 29 degrees 52 minutes 39.66 seconds N<br>93 degrees 23 minutes 42.14 seconds W | C. 29 degrees 52 minutes 39.60 seconds N<br>93 degrees 23 minutes 31.92 seconds W |
| B. 29 degrees 52 minutes 28.94 seconds N<br>93 degrees 23 minutes 42.20 seconds W | D. 29 degrees 52 minutes 29.01 seconds N<br>93 degrees 23 minutes 31.92 seconds W |

The east side of Calcasieu Lake remains closed to oyster harvest during the 2015-16 oyster season.

For further information about the Calcasieu Lake oyster harvest season, contact George Melancon, biologist manager, at (337) 491-2575.

# GULF OF MEXICO REGULATIONS

## NOAA Fisheries Seeks Comments on a Proposed Rule to Withhold Red Snapper Commercial Quota in the Gulf of Mexico in 2016

NOAA Fisheries is seeking comments on a proposed rule that would withhold a percentage of the 2016 red snapper commercial quota in the Gulf of Mexico.

This action would withhold 4.9 percent (352,000 pounds) of the 2016 red snapper commercial quota in the Gulf of Mexico in anticipation of Amendment 28's approval.

During their August 2015 meeting, the Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council voted to submit Amendment 28 to the Reef Fish Fishery Management Plan for review, approval, and implementation by the Secretary of Commerce.

Amendment 28 would relocate red snapper harvest between the commercial and recreational sectors from 51/49 percent to 48.5/51.5 percent, respectively. If that quota is not held back and Amendment 28 is approved then the commercial sector would have more quota than is supported by Amendment 28.

The distribution of commercial individual fishing quota allocations occurs on Jan. 1, 2016. If the 352,000 pounds is not held back NOAA Fisheries has no way to get it back it for re-distribution to the recreational sectors quota.

### How to Submit Comments:

NOAA Fisheries must receive comments on this proposed rulemaking no later than Nov. 3, 2015. You may submit comments on the amendment or the proposed rule, identified by "NOAA-NMFS-2015-0121", by one of the following methods:

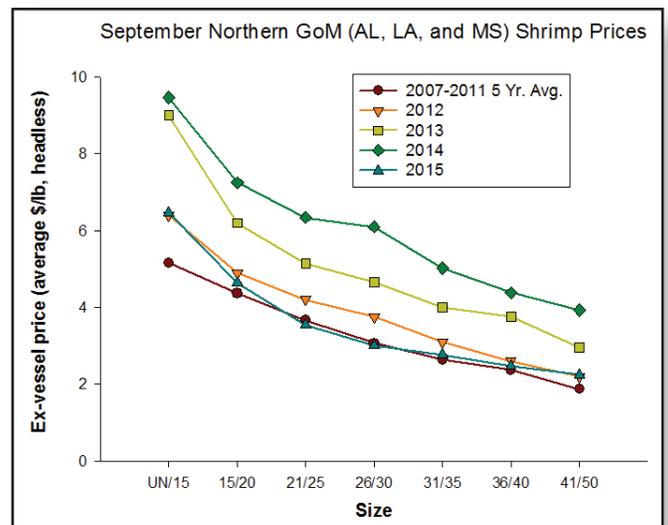
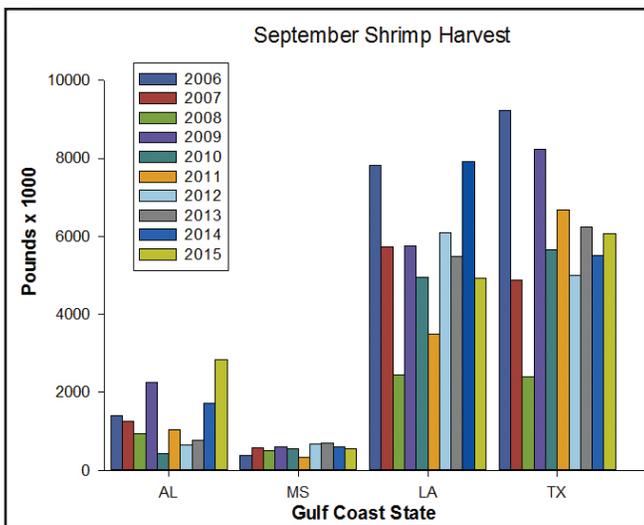
Electronic Submission: Go to the federal e-Rulemaking Portal at [www.regulations.gov/#/docketDetail;D=NOAA-NMFS-2015-0121](http://www.regulations.gov/#/docketDetail;D=NOAA-NMFS-2015-0121), complete the required fields, and enter or attach your comments. NOAA Fisheries will accept anonymous comments.

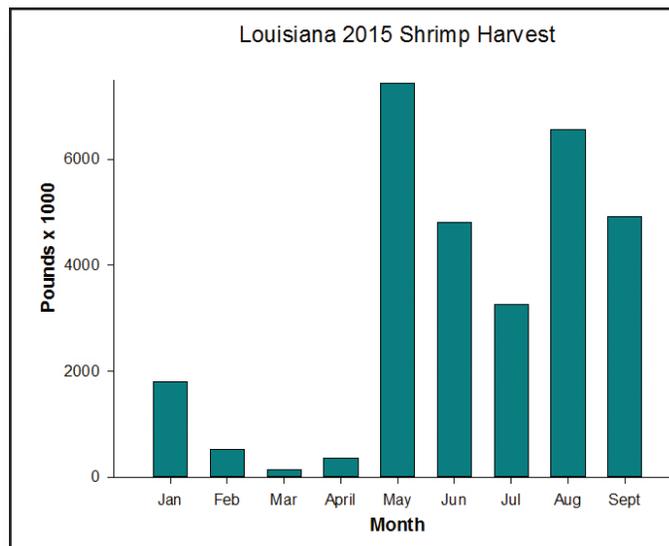
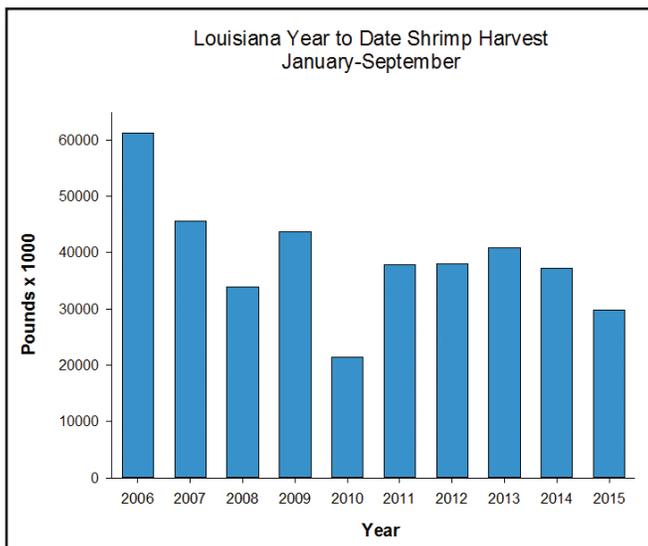
Mail: NOAA Fisheries  
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 Sustainable Fisheries Division  
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All comments received are a part of the public record and will generally be posted for public viewing on the [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) website without change. All personal identifying information (e.g., name, address, etc.), confidential business information, or otherwise sensitive information submitted voluntarily by the sender will be publicly accessible.

## Louisiana Shrimp Watch

Louisiana specific data portrayed in the graphics are selected from preliminary data posted by NOAA on its website. All data portrayed are subject to final revision and approval by NOAA. Shrimp landings are ex-vessel prices, inclusive of all species harvested. Missing, inadequate or withheld reports are portrayed as "zero" in these graphics. Price graphics reflect central Gulf states only (Texas and Florida are reported independently). For more information, please refer to: [www.st.nmfs.noaa.gov/st1/market\\_news/index.html](http://www.st.nmfs.noaa.gov/st1/market_news/index.html)





## Fish Gear Coordinates

In accordance with the provisions of R.S. 56:700.1 et. seq., notice is given that 13 claims in the amount of \$50,638.72 were received for payment during the period September 1-30, 2015.

There were 12 paid and one denied.

Latitude/Longitude Coordinates, in Degree Decimal Minutes, of reported underwater obstructions are:

29 08.566	90 06.407	LAFOURCHE
29 11.581	90 51.397	TERREBONNE
29 12.600	89 55.254	JEFFERSON
29 18.290	89 47.038	PLAQUEMINES
29 20.190	89 59.100	JEFFERSON
29 20.516	89 52.388	PLAQUEMINES
29 25.192	90 01.492	LAFOURCHE
29 26.795	89 58.235	PLAQUEMINES
29 30.850	91 44.130	IBERIA
29 44.709	89 46.020	PLAQUEMINES
29 48.590	89 39.028	SAINT BERNARD
29 50.534	89 41.465	SAINT BERNARD
29 57.720	93 21.570	CAMERON

A list of claimants and amounts paid can be obtained from Gwendolyn Thomas, administrator, Fishermen's Gear Compensation Fund, P.O. Box 44277, Baton Rouge, LA 70804, or you can call (225) 342-9388.

## Events

**Oct. 8: Gulf of Mexico Red Grouper Recreational Fishing Season Closed**

## Upcoming Events

**Nov. 13: RESCHEDULED: Oyster Industry Workshop-Houma**

The workshop will be held at Dumas Auditorium, 301 West Tunnel Blvd., Houma, LA 70360 from 5:30 – 8:30 pm. For more information about the event, contact:

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**Nov. 20: Louisiana In-state Red Snapper Season Opens**

# THE GUMBO POT

## ARNAUD'S OYSTER SOUP

Recipe courtesy of *Louisiana Kitchen & Culture*.

For more recipes or to subscribe to their magazine or free newsletter, please visit <http://louisiana.kitchenandculture.com/>



### Ingredients:

3½ cups water	1/8 teaspoon ground red pepper
2 dozen freshly shucked oysters, drained	1 bay leaf
1/2 cup celery, chopped	3/4 cup heavy cream
1/2 cup green onions, chopped	2 cups milk
1/2 cup onion, chopped	1/4 cup butter
1 tablespoon butter, melted	1/2 cup all purpose flour
1/2 teaspoon garlic, finely chopped	1 teaspoon salt
1/8 teaspoon dried thyme	1/4 teaspoon ground white pepper

### Method:

Bring water to a boil in a medium saucepan. Add oysters and cook for 3 minutes. Remove oysters with a slotted spoon and reserve 3 cups of liquid. Set both aside. In a Dutch oven over medium heat, cook celery, green onions and onions in 1 tablespoon butter, stirring constantly until tender. Stir in 2½ cups reserved liquid, garlic, thyme, red pepper and bay leaf; bring to a boil. Stir in heavy cream, reduce heat and simmer for 5 minutes. Stir in milk and return to a simmer.

Melt 1/4 cup butter in a small saucepan over low heat. Add flour, stirring until smooth. Cook 1 minute, stirring constantly, about 3 minutes or until smooth (mixture should be very thick). Gradually add flour mixture to milk mixture, stirring with a wire whisk until blended. Add oysters, salt and white pepper. Cook until thoroughly heated.

Remove from heat, discard bay leaf and serve with toasted buttered French bread or crackers.

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We would like to hear from you! Please contact us regarding fishery questions, comments or concerns you would like to see covered in the Lagniappe. Anyone interested in submitting information, such as articles, editorials or photographs pertaining to fishing or fisheries management is encouraged to do so.

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