



Modification of Gray Triggerfish Commercial Trip Limits

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Background

In 2020, the Council initiated actions to modify the vermilion snapper bag limit, and the gray triggerfish commercial trip limit and recreational fixed closed season.

August 2022: Council will address the Gray Triggerfish commercial trip limit in its own document.

Remaining actions will be addressed at a later date.

Current Commercial Gray Triggerfish Regulations

Sector allocation: 79% recreational, 21% commercial

- Closed during peak spawning in June and July
- Vessel trip limit: 16 fish
- 14-inch fork length minimum size limit
- Trip limit is in number of fish for enforcement purposes



Draft Alternatives: Commercial Trip Limits

- Alternative 1: No Action – Vessel trip limit is 16 fish
- Alternative 2: Increase vessel trip limit to 20 fish
- Alternative 3: Increase vessel trip limit to 25 fish
- Alternative 4: Increase vessel trip limit to 30 fish
- Alternative 5: Increase vessel trip limit to 40 fish

