



# Eighth District Enforcement Update

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# Overview

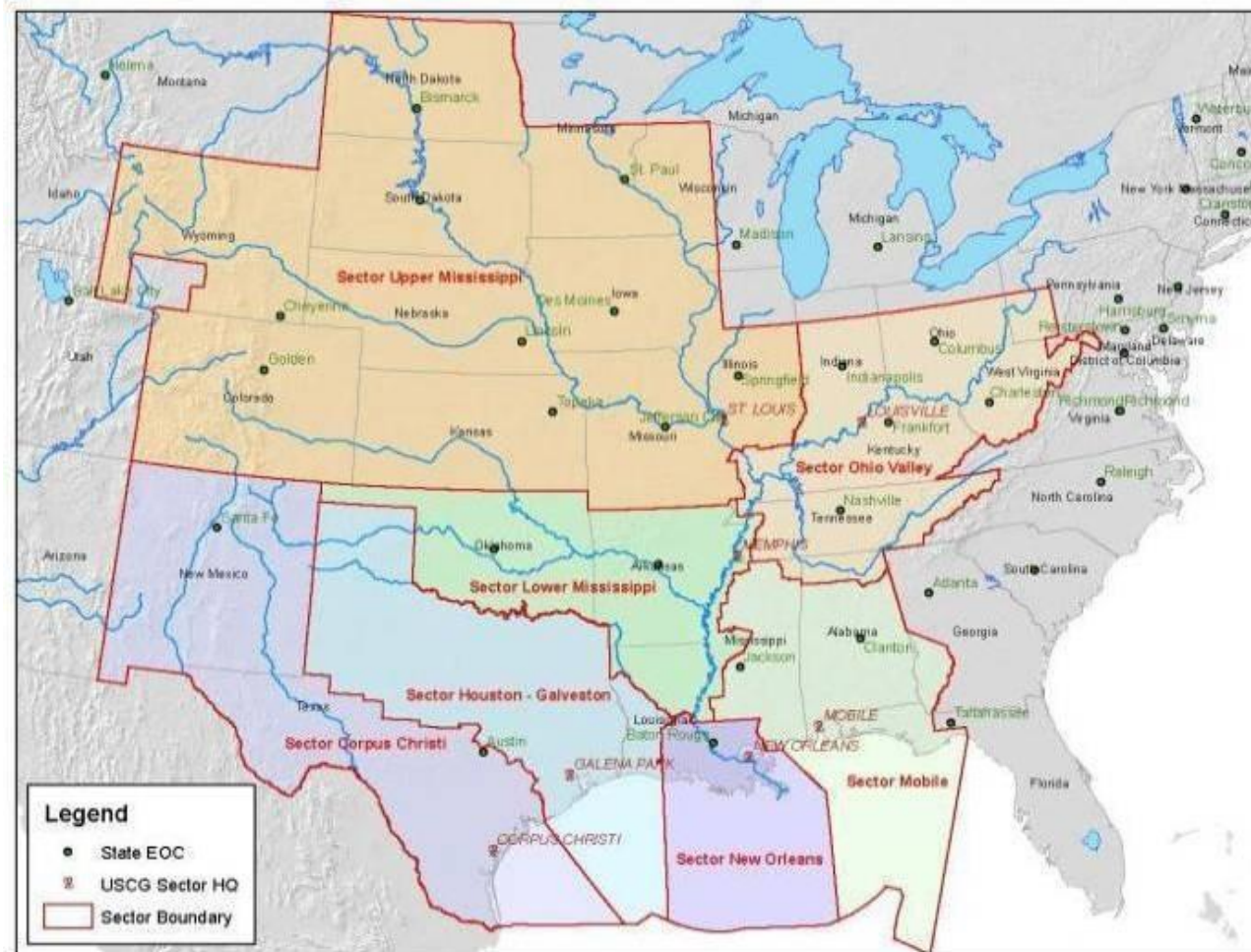


- Eighth District Area of Responsibility
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# Eighth District Area of Responsibility







# Exclusive Economic Zone Enforcement



Fiscal Year	2021	2022	2023	2024
Interdictions	78	87	53	12
Red Snapper (lbs)	14,640	12,524	5,895	1,360

- Comments:
  - Personnel shortages have limited patrol hours and does not mean that there are fewer lanchas within our EEZ
  - Assessing illegal Red Snapper catch is difficult
  - Cutters routinely recover miles of illegal longline each patrol
- 2024 Look Ahead
  - Increasing Cooperation with Mexico
  - Targeted Enforcement Operations





# Domestic Fisheries Enforcement



Fiscal Year	2023	2024
Boardings	609	205
Significant Violations	26	5

- Most Common Violations:
  - Turtle Excluder Devices (TEDs)
  - By-Catch Reduction Devices (BRDs)
- 2024 Look Ahead
  - Increase maritime domain awareness
  - Targeted Enforcement Operations
  - Continue to build partnerships with NOAA and State Law Enforcement agencies





# Marine Protected Resources



Fiscal Year	2023	2024
Requests for Assistance	2	2
Interactions	2	2

- Most Common Interactions:
  - Entangled turtles
  - Whale sightings
- 2024 Look Ahead
  - Conduct outreach to local communities
  - Continue to respond to and coordinate additional resources for MPR sightings/responses





# Questions?

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