

**Summary of Public Comment
August 17, 2022**

**Framework Action: Modification of Catch Limits for
Gulf of Mexico Red Snapper**

Summary of Written Public Comment

1,057 Public Hearing Video Views

18 comments were received.

- Support for Alternative 1: No Action
 - The inshore snapper fishery is not productive
 - The stock has been locally depleted in the last few years
 - The quota should be decreased slightly
 - The stock is healthy and doesn't need to be overfished
 - An increase will harm the fishery more than it will help it
- Support for Alternative 2
 - Red snapper are abundant
 - It's impossible to catch anything but snapper
 - Raise catch limits so the recreational season can be lengthened
 - The states are managing well and should be given more quota to work with
 - Snapper are everywhere and management resulting from incorporation of the Great Red Snapper Count doesn't raise catch limits enough

Other Comments

- The Council should consider regional management based on biomass
- It's too expensive to go offshore only to bring home two red snapper
- The snapper bag limit should be raised to 3-per person
- The snapper bag limit should be raised to 4-per person
- The minimum size limit should be raised to 18-inches
- Consider a slot limit for red snapper to allow larger breeders to survive
- The season should be set on weekends May-November
- The season should also be open in the fall
- A fall mini-season should be created