

HOW FAR ARE YOU WILLING TO GO TO PROTECT YOUR RIGHT TO FISH?

On August 27, 2014, join the army of 1,000 recreational fishermen in Biloxi, Mississippi & help stop the red snapper takeover in the Gulf of Mexico!!!

HELP STOP SECTOR SEPARATION – KEEP TRADITIONAL RECREATIONAL FISHING ALIVE FOR THE FUTURE!!!

On August 27th at a meeting of the Gulf of Mexico Regional Fishery Management Council, a vote is expected which will forever divide the recreational fishing community into bits and pieces. Your right to fish is at stake!

Amendment 40 is a proposal to divide the recreational red snapper fishery into private boat anglers and charter/for-hire, thereby creating three sectors overall – commercial, charter/for-hire and private angler. To do this, the Council members - with support of NOAA Fisheries - plan to take red snapper quota away from private anglers.

Because of a bad federal fisheries law and flawed recreational data, this proposal has the potential to end recreational fishing as we know it.

It's time to unite and stop this red snapper takeover!

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Catch shares are expressly designed by anti-fishing interests to reduce fishing fleets. First they came for the commercial fishermen, implementing a system that led to a 75% reduction in the number of boats. Now they're coming for us!

The sector separation scheme is being used to do the same thing to the recreational fishing community, and would eventually lead to a similar collapse of the charter/for-hire fleet in the Gulf of Mexico. Once that is accomplished, those same anti-fishing interests will be able to march against what remains of the private, individual saltwater anglers.

On August 27th, 2014, an army of 1,000 saltwater anglers will march to Biloxi to stop this attack on our community.



**** BILOXI OR BUST ****

By boat, by bus, by plane or by train, join your fellow saltwater anglers on Wednesday, August 27, 2014 from 5:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. United We Fish!!!

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STAND UNITED WITH 1,000 GULF ANGLERS IN BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI & STOP EFFORTS TO DIVIDE OUR SECTOR