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## Shallow Water Grouper, Red Porgy, Vermilion Snapper, and Black Sea Bass Fisheries to Reopen in the South Atlantic

A four-month spawning season closure for shallow water grouper in the South Atlantic will end at 12:01am local time May 1, 2010. The prohibition on recreational and commercial harvest of gag, black grouper, red grouper, scamp, rock hind, red hind, coney, graysby, yellowfin grouper, yellowmouth grouper, and tiger grouper is effective January 1, through April 30, each year. The commercial fishery for red porgy will also open May 1, 2010.

### Other Fisheries Opening Soon

The following fisheries will open at 12:01am local time on the respective opening dates.

- The vermilion snapper commercial fishery will open July 1, 2010. The recreational fishery for vermilion snapper opened on April 1, 2010.
- The commercial fishery for black sea bass opens June 1, 2010.

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