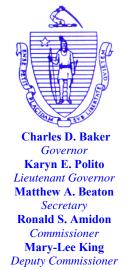


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DIRECTOR'S DECLARATION: RESCISSION OF SEASONAL TRAP GEAR CLOSURE AND SPEED LIMIT RESTRICTION EXTENSIONS

Pursuant to the requirements set forth at G.L. c.30A, §3 and under the authority of G.L. c.130, §17(10) and 80, and 322 CMR §§ 12.04(3), 12.05(5) and 7.01(7), the Director of the Division of Marine Fisheries hereby rescinds the extension of the seasonal trap gear closure and speed limit restrictions to protect North Atlantic right whales:

- 1. Effective May 10, 2019 commercial and recreational fishermen may lawfully fish, set and store trap gear within those waters under the jurisdiction of the Commonwealth in Cape Cod Bay south of 42° 08.42' north latitude and east of Cape Cod north of 41° 51.50' north latitude. The fishing, setting and storage of this gear shall comply with all commercial and recreational fishing regulations set forth at G.L. c. 130 and 322 CMR.
- 2. Effective May 10, 2019 vessels measuring less than 65' overall length and operating within the waters of Cape Cod Bay south of 42° 08' north latitude and north and east of Cape Cod west of 70° 10' west longitude may travel at a speed of greater than 10 knots.

Dated: May 9, 2019 By:	Diene
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