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Commercial Fluke Fishery to Reopen on October 12, 2015

The commercial fluke fishery is being reopened by the Division of Marine Fisheries effective October 12, 2015 to allow commercial fishermen to harvest and land the remaining 16,000 pounds of the 2015 quota (legal notice). The fishery was previously closed on September 17, 2015 based on projections of landings from dealer reports, but a balance of 16,000 pounds remains uncaught. The 2015 commercial fluke fishery will reopen with open fishing days on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, and a 150 pound possession and landing limit. The possession and landing fluke on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays are prohibited. The fishery will close again when 100% of the commercial fluke quota is projected to be taken.

To learn more about the commercial fluke fishery, please visit our website: www.mass.gov/marinefisheries