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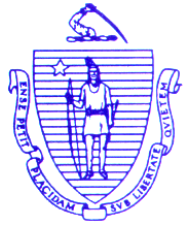
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FISHERY CLOSURE

COMMERCIAL STRIPED BASS FISHERY

Pursuant to the notice and public comment requirements of G.L. c.30A, §3 and under the authority of G.L. c.130, §17A and 322 CMR §§ 6.41(3) and 7.01(7) the Commonwealth's 2014 commercial striped bass quota, as established by 322 CMR §6.07 (2) is projected to have been taken on Monday, September 1, 2014. Therefore, in accordance with 322 CMR §§ 6.07(4)(b) and (7)(m), the commercial striped bass fishery in Massachusetts is closed from Tuesday, September 2, 2014 until the 2015 commercial fishery is opened. . During this period, it shall be unlawful for any person to possess more than the recreational limit of 2 striped bass and for primary buyers to purchase striped bass from any Massachusetts commercial striped bass fisherman, permitted in accordance with 322 CMR §§ 6.07(3) and 7.01(2) and 7.01(4). Primary buyers may import, possess and offer for sale striped bass in accordance with 322 CMR § 6.07(5)(g).

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