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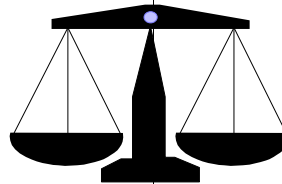
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INJUNCTION CONCERNING TARP SEINE FISHERY ISSUED...THEN QUASHED

OCTOBER 8, 1997

TRANS-GLOBAL SEAFOOD INC., represented by the former general counsel for the Department of Environmental Protection, Kenneth J. Plante, filed a complaint against the Department of Environmental Protection



contending that the use of tarp nets to catch ladyfish and other fish was in violation of Florida's purse seine prohibition (Florida statute 370.08). An Emergency Hearing was held by Judge Reynolds late afternoon of October 8, but only plaintiffs and officials of the DEP were in attendance for the defendant (State of Florida). None of the affected fishermen or their representatives were notified, (probably not required by law) so no arguments on behalf of the industry were made by their counsel at that time. Judge Reynolds granted the Temporary Injunction.

representing the Florida Department of Environmental Protection tried to deny Destin STANDING even though Destin Bait was an intervening party on behalf of Mr. Adelson's agency. (You would think that M.B would

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ARGUMENTS SLATED FOR SUPREME COURT ON UNIFICATION

Granger, Santry, Mitchell & Heath, on behalf of Southeastern Fisheries Association and all its members, has filed both an Initial Brief and Answer Brief in opposition to the proposed Constitutional Amendment that combines the Game and Freshwater Fish Commission with the MFC and also transfers the Marine Patrol and other elements of DEP to the new "Super Agency". The proposal is fatally flawed, in the opinion of SFA, as it is not limited to one subject and it does things far beyond what the average voter or citizen can determine from the ballot summary. Oral arguments will be at 9:00 am on November 3rd in the Supreme Court building in Tallahassee.

This newsletter is published by Southeastern Fisheries Association. Please pass it along and encourage others to be added to our mailing list. If you want to be removed from the list, please contact us.

SFA is a non-profit association founded in 1952, charged with maintaining a viable seafood industry in the Southeast.

Robert P. Jones, Editor

OCTOBER 15, 1997

DESTIN BAIT et al, represented by J. Patrick Floyd, was granted an Emergency Hearing by Circuit Judge George Reynolds of Tallahassee. M.B. Adelson,



INVEST IN THE SEAFOOD INDUSTRY

Southeastern Fisheries Association has been publishing their "Hotlines" newsletter monthly for 32 years. We are expanding the format of the newsletter to include photos, guest editorials, technical information, marketing trends, member information and many articles each month pertinent to the seafood industry both in the southeast and around the world. Our readership consists of members, government agencies, elected officials, prospective members and anyone who requests such publication.

Complete the form below and return to the SFA office with your black and white business card and a check for \$200 and we will give you an ad spot in 4 issues of the "Hotlines"



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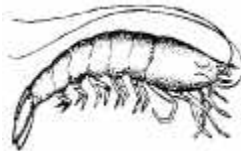
COUNT ME IN AS A SUPPORTER OF THE SEAFOOD INDUSTRY IN FLORIDA

Enclosed is our check for \$200 payable to Southeastern Fisheries Association

Enclosed is our business card - to be duplicated in the next 4 issues of "Hotlines".

TWO SOFT ANDREW TEDS PASS TURTLE EXCLUSION TESTS

Two Andrew soft Teds will be re-certified as official turtle excluder devices by the National Marine Fisheries Service, based on extensive testing recently done in Panama City, Florida. The soft teds had been scheduled for de-certification on December 31, 1997. The Andrew Ted has already been certified as a by-catch reduction device (BRD) by the Department of Commerce in its approval of Amendment 9 of the Gulf of Mexico Shrimp Management Plan. The 2 re-certified Andrew Teds will now be tested as BRD's. If these tests are successful, then those shrimpers who are pulling the Andrew soft Ted will also be pulling a certified BRD at the same



time. This makes a great deal of sense to the fishermen and should have been allowed by the Florida Marine Fisheries Commission in their proposed BRD rule.

LOUISIANA LEGISLATION PROHIBITS FEDERAL BYCATCH REDUCTION DEVICES

Louisiana Senate Bill 524, prohibits the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries from enforcing any federal laws or making any state rules and regulations requiring the use of fish excluder devices by commercial fishermen, unless authorized to do so by the Legislature. Louisiana produces more pounds of shrimp than any other state in the nation.

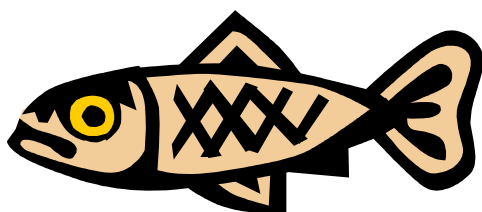
CALLING ALL FISHERMEN

THE MAGNUSON-STEVENSON FISHERY CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT ACT has mandated that fishery management plans include information on **essential fish habitat** by October 1998. To make certain that industry has a chance to participate in the process, MIT Sea Grant is looking for fishermen with traditional knowledge about fisheries habitat and gear impacts who are willing to share their information with Fishery Management councils, National Marine Fisheries Service and the public. Documentation of your knowledge such as logs, photographs, plot charts, etc., would be particularly helpful to this effort. If you would be willing to partici-

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 pate in a focus group and/or to respond in writing to questions as part of an interim study on this topic, please contact *The Habitat Study*, MIT Sea Grant College Program 292 Main Street, E-38-300, Cambridge, Mass 02139 or call 617/252-1675.



PAPER TRAIL ON IMPORTED SEAFOOD PRODUCTS BECOMING BURDENSOME

HOW FAR DOES THE PAPER HAVE TO TRAVEL WITH IMPORTED FISHERY PRODUCTS? Many importers receive fresh and frozen fishery products daily from a variety of foreign countries. For instance, the products, including invoices, bills of lading or other similar instruments are received at a Miami plant. The seafood is stored and then shipped to other customers or to satellite distributors for further distribution. These fishery products

are ultimately delivered to the trade i.e. restaurants, hotels, chain stores etc. How far down the chain of distribution must the paperwork travel? Do copies of the actual documents have to go all the way to the retail market? Must the retail market maintain this paperwork? Can a rubber stamp on an invoice be used in lieu of actual bills of lading or similar instruments? This and other pertinent fishery problems will be discussed at the semi-annual meeting of the Board in early December, probably in the South Florida area. Comments from affected members are encouraged at this time.

HACCP TRAINING GAINING MOMENTUM

The following industry people have received HACCP Certification through SFA's Training program. People and firms trained under SFA's program have an added benefit of becoming part of the SFA family and are included on the SFA database where they will be notified concerning any new regulations or announcements by the regulators. Executive Director Bob Jones was the instructor for all classes.

Class 10, Apalachicola, FL., Apalachicola Community Center, September 2, 1997

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| Donald W. Wilson | Wilson's Seafresh Seafood |
| Pete Wilson | Wilson's Seafresh Seafood |
| Walter M. Ward | Buddy Ward & Sons |
| Thomas L. Ward | Buddy Ward & Sons |
| Gwinell Wilson | Buddy Ward & Sons |
| Stephen Bryant | Buddy Ward & Sons |
| Joseph Parrish | Buddy Ward & Sons |
| Alice Leavins | Leavins Seafood |
| Sandra Pendleton | Leavins Seafood |
| Gene Bryant | Wilson's Seafresh Seafood |
| Bill Ellis | Wilson's Seafresh Seafood |

Class 11, Tallahassee, FL - Blue Pelican September 13, 1997

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| Danny Juskowski | Oyster Co-op |
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| Marci Juskowski | Oyster Co-op |
| James Dewitt | Jax Hotel Supply |
| Karen Pierce | Homosassa Seafood |
| A.C. Yarborough | Discount Seafood |
| Robert Dyekman | Dykeman Seafood |
| Steve Mc Quaig | St. John's Food Service |
| John Weeks | Seafood Shoppe |
| Mary Lee Weeks | Seafood Shoppe |
| Wayne Williams | Atlantic Seafood |
| John Easley | FLADACS |
| Harold Dybdal Jr. | 77 Seafood |
| Jim Mahoney | Mahoney Seafood |

Class 12, Miami, FL, Marriott Hotel, September 23-24, 1997

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| Julio Sardinas | J. Sardinas Inc. |
| Simon Espinosa | Ambassador Seafoods |

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| Marcela Vitola | Ambassador Seafoods |
| Horacio Garcia | Ambassador Seafoods |
| Peter Jarvis | Triar Seafood Co. |
| Gaspar Arteaga | Rompemar C.A. |
| Maria Del C Arteaga | Rompemar C.A. |
| Patricia A. Kirk | Capt. Kirk's Stone Crabs |
| Howell Grimm Jr. | Everglades Fish |
| Pauline A. Francis | E & R Seafood |
| Richard A. Francis | E & R Seafood |
| Sydney A. Francis | E & R Seafood |
| Robert Young | Kalamar Seafood |
| Marzo Diaz | E & R Seafood |

**Class 13, St. Petersburg, FL.,
American Freezers, September 20, 1997**

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| William Winans | Bob Combs Fish Co. |
| Ken Moss | Kirk Fish Co. |
| Gary Jerman | Perfect Seafood |
| Mark Whitney | Whitney & Sons |
| Joanne Semmer | Bonita Fish Company |
| Bill Semmer | Bonita Fish Company |

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| Robert P. Bell | Harry H. Bell & Sons |
| Gerry Dephoure | Perfect Seafood |
| Kenneth McCann | Capri Fisheries |
| Frank Conley | Lee Co. Fish Coop |
| John Patrick | Lee Co. Fish Coop |
| Henry Torres | Empire Seafood |
| Peter Torres | Empire Seafood |
| Bernardo Ruiz | Empire Seafood |

**Class 14, Pensacola, FL., Patti Seafoods,
October 6, 1997**

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| Frank Patti | Joe Patti Seafood |
| Larry Covas | Rollo Seafood |
| Duke Harris | Maria's Seafood |
| Joy French | Escambia Seafood |
| Alice G. Guy | Joe Patti Seafood |
| Allen C. Williams Jr. | Williams Seafood |
| Pete Nichols | Nichols Seafood Restaurant |
| Helen Nichols | Nichols Seafood Restaurant |
| Ronald Ward | Nichols Seafood Restaurant |

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**Have you seen our
PLANET-WIDE Presence?**

We are very interested in your feedback about our website. Currently the site is averaging between 90 -130 "hits" per day; quite a few of which are from educational and government institutions. We have many interesting areas on the site, including a little bit of SFA history. We almost have the Past President section completed (still need some photos).

Also we have a "What's New" section where you can find up-to-date goings on. The "What's New" section is where we will keep

members informed of pending or passed legislation and rule changes and soon will be available for members only.



If you desire information on HACCP, go to our homepage and click on the "surfer" button (*to the left*) and you can find out about future classes, where they will be held and when.

In order for us to serve you best with this web site, we really would appreciate your comments and or suggestions for improvement or change. So surf on over and give us a looksee. You may be surprised at what you find!

www.southeasternfish.org



Welcome to SFA New Members: SFA is proud to welcome the following new members into its growing family of successful seafood companies. We encourage each member to support one another for the overall good of maintaining an economic and cultural presence for commercial fishing in America as well as providing marine protein to the people.

All Seas Seafood of Fla., Inc., Coral Springs, FL., **Associate Member**
Oyster Co-op, Inc., Jacksonville, FL., *Retail Market Member*
Perfect Seafood, St. Petersburg, FL., *Retail Market Member*
77 Seafood, Inc., Panama City, FL., *Retail Market Member*
Triar Seafood Co., Hollywood, FL., *Retail Market Member*
Homosassa Seafood, Inc., Homosassa, FL., *Retail Market Member*
Jacksonville Hotel Supply, Jacksonville, FL., *Retail Market Mmbr*
St. Johns Food Service, Inc., St. Augustine, FL., *Retail Market Member*
SeaCoast Seafood, Inc., Jacksonville, FL., *Retail Market Member*

Ocean Fresh Seafood, Orlando, FL., *Retail Market Member*
Discount Seafood, Inc., Jacksonville, FL., *Retail Market Member*
Seafood Shoppe, Inc., St. Augustine, FL., *Retail Market Member*
L & M Seafood, Inc., Destin, FL., *Retail Market Member*
E & R Seafood, Inc., Miramar, FL., *Retail Market Member*
Everglades Fish Co., Everglades City, FL., *Retail Market Member*
Capt. Kirk’s Stone Crabs, Inc., Naples, FL., *Retail Market Member*
Bonita Fish Co., Ft. Myers Beach, FL., *Retail Market Member*
Kirk Fish Co., Goodland, FL., *Retail Market Member*

Combs Fish Co., Naples, FL., *Retail Market Member*
Whitney & Son, Hudson, FL., *Retail Market Member*
Maria’s Seafood, Pensacola, FL., *Retail Market Member*
Rollo’s Seafood, Milton, FL., *Retail Market Member*
A. C. Williams Seafood Co., Pensacola, FL., *Retail Market Member*
Joe Patti’s Seafood, Pensacola, FL., *Retail Market Member*
Phil Rollo’s Wholesale, Milton, FL., *Retail Market Member*
Escambia Seafood, Pensacola, FL., *Retail Market Member*
Two J’s Trading Co., Apalachicola, FL., *Retail Market Member*

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- ☞ HACCP Training Schedules
- ☞ SFA Challenges BRD Rule
- ☞ Tarp Seine Injunction Quashed

