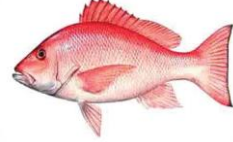
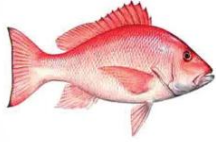


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(Subject line: Amendment 35 Scoping comments)**

Re: Snapper Grouper Amendment 35

Mr. Mahood,

The Southeastern Fisheries Association (SFA), East Coast Fisheries Section (ECFS) wishes to submit this written comment about the Snapper Grouper (SG) Amendment 35 to the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council (SAFMC) about the Action to remove four SG species from the fishery management unit (FMU). SFA ECFS supports the following actions to remove these four species from the SG FMU.

The Council is considering the following actions in Amendment 35:

Remove the following 4 species from the Snapper Grouper FMU:

- Black Snapper (*Apsilus dentatus*)
- Dog Snapper (*Lutjanus jocu*)
- Mahogany Snapper (*Lutjanus mahogoni*)
- Schoolmaster (*Lutjanus apodus*)

Jimmy Hull, Chairman
SFA ECFS