THE DNR MISSION



The Department of Natural Resources preserves, protects, enhances and restores Maryland's natural resources for the wise use and enjoyment of all citizens.

THE NRP MISSION

Protecting Maryland's natural resources, public lands, waterways, and people through proactive and responsive law enforcement services with courtesy, integrity, dedication and professionalism.



Maryland Natural Resources Police SFAC/TFAC Meeting Tawes State Office Building July 2014

Report Period: April 17, 2014 through July 16, 2014

General Tidal Fish

Recreational:

Area 3—Anne Arundel County:

1 Individual was cited for possession of 2 undersized yellow perch at Belle Grove Ponds 1 Citation for undersized white perch harvested with a net—Sandy Point

Area 2—Upper Eastern Shore

1 person at Ferry Bridge Hooper Island had 48 Croakers over limit. A Must Appear citation was issued.

Area 4—Southern Maryland

5 citations were issued for possession of undersized croaker

Commercial:

Nothing to report

Striped Bass

Recreational:

Area 3-- Anne Arundel County

1 citation was issued for possession of 3 undersized striped bass at Bay Bridge 1 citation was issued for possession of undersized striped bass at Sandy Point

Area 4—Southern Maryland

4 citations were issued for possession of undersized striped bass

Area 2—Upper Eastern Shore

Officers responded to the Kent Narrows Bridge at the request of the bridge tender for people tied to the bridge and attempting to climb up the pilings. He issued 2 citations for undersized striped bass and two warnings for trespassing. 14 undersized striped bass were seized.

5 fishermen were caught with 191 Striped Bass Fishing Creek, Dorchester County, 190 were undersized. Court date for July 16th: 20 must appear citations 4 undersized, 4 over limit, 4 time, 4 prohibited area and 1 payable for litter.

June 6th Fishing Creek Bridge 2 POB hid 22 Striped Bass under the front hood of a pickup. All were undersized. Both subjects received Must Appear citations for undersized and over the limit. Court date: Aug 20th, Dorchester County

June 11th 1 person was caught with 13 undersized Striped Bass at Farm Creek boat ramp. 2 must appear citations were issued.

25 other people were charged with Striped Bass violations, some with multiple charges during this time frame.

Commercial:

Area 5—Central Maryland:

Follow up information from a case made in January 2014: Subjects were caught exceeding their catch limit of Striped Bass. They were confronted as they were selling their catch and the result was that both subjects were found guilty, placed on unsupervised probation for one year and fines \$1,700.00. This fine was suspended. In addition the seized illegal catch was sold at market for \$2,261.00. That amount was forfeited to the State.

Oysters & Clams

Nothing to Report

Crabs

Commercial:

Area 3: Anne Arundel County—

1 citation for crab pots in a restricted area—Patapsco River

1 citation for commercially crabbing without a license in the Bodkin Creek area

Area 4: Southern Maryland

7 commercial crabbers were issued citations for violations such as commercial pots in a restricted area, crabbing before legal hours, Line, pots not properly marked.

<u>Recreational:</u> Area 3, Anne Arundel County

1 citation for recreational crabber harvesting crabs on a Wednesday

Non Tidal

Nothing to report