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DIRECTOR

July 17, 2019

Benjamin Lewis

Kingsland, GA 31548

Dear Mr. Lewis:

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I wish to personally congratulate you on your new men's state record catch of a Mutton Snapper (*Lutjanus analis*), caught June 30, 2019, about eight miles east of Navy tower R4. The Saltwater Gamefish Record Committee approved your new record today. Enclosed is a certificate that serves not only to recognize the size of the catch, but also your skill as an angler and the sportsmanship displayed in the landing of a record-setting game fish.

Again, congratulations on your achievement, and thank you for your participation in Georgia's Saltwater Gamefish Record program.

Sincerely,

Doug Haymans
Director
Coastal Resources Division
Georgia Department of Natural Resources

Enclosures

Cc: Records Review Committee, Georgia Saltwater Gamefish Record certificate

APPLICATION FORM

**STATE OF GEORGIA
SALTWATER GAMEFISH RECORDS ENTRY FORM**

Read all angling rules Georgia Saltwater Gamefish Record requirements before completing and signing this application. This application must be accompanied by photographs as specified in the State record requirements.

1. **DIVISION** _____ Women's Men's
2. **SPECIES** (Common name): MUTTON SNAPPER - Lutjanus analis
3. **MEASUREMENTS**
Weight 18 lbs. 656 oz.
Fork Length ¹: 33 inches Total length ²: 34 inches Girth ³: 24 7/16 inches
¹ Tip of snout to the inner fork of the tail. ² Tip of snout to end of tail - maximum length. ³ Distance around thickest part of body.
4. **DATE OF CATCH:** 30 Jun 2019
5. **PLACE OF CATCH** (Be specific as possible):
8 MILES EAST OF R4 TOWER
6. **METHOD OF CATCH** (trolling, casting, fly fishing, etc.):
BOTTOM FISHING
7. **ANGLER** (print name as you wish it to appear on certificate): BENJAMIN LEWIS
Permanent address (include Zip code):

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- Fishing Club Affiliation (not required): N/A
- Angler's Age (not required): 29
8. **EQUIPMENT**
Rod: SHIMANO TREVALA 6' Reel: FIN-NOIR
(make & length) (make)
Line (make & test): POWER PRO 65# Name of lure or bait: CUT SQUID

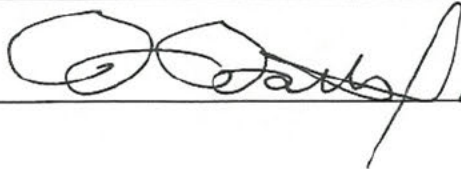
Terminal rig description (include hook number, types, & arrangement):

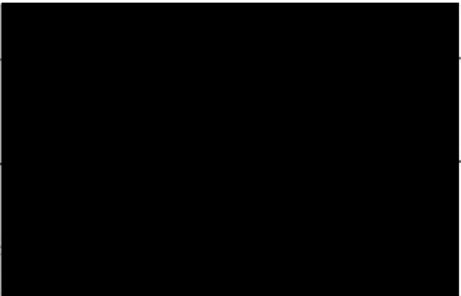
60# YOZURI FLORECARBON LEADER, 6/0 EAGLE CLAW OCTOPUS, DROP
SHOT RIG 100% WEIGHT.

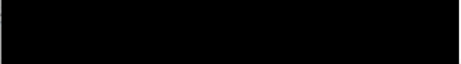
9. BOAT (if used)

Name: Fishslay Deuce

Captain's Name: BRUCE BARTLETT

Signature: ~~FISHSLAY DEUCE~~  Bruce Bartlett

Address: 

Phone: ()

10. SCALES

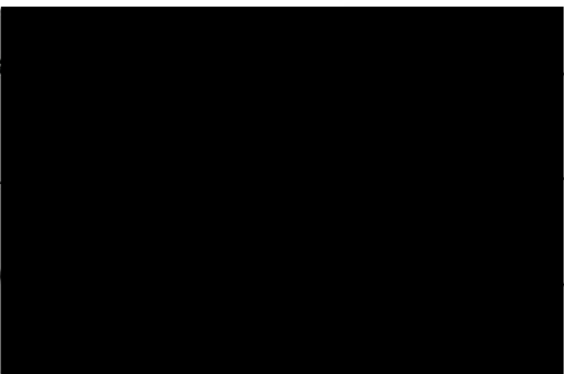
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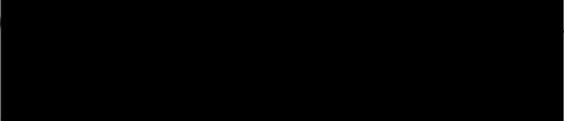
Date last certified: NOVEMBER 2018

Certifying Agency: GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Weighmaster Name: Chris Conway

Signature: 

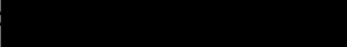
Address: 

Phone: 

11. WITNESSES


Witness to catch (other than angler or captain):

SYLAW SCHAEFER

Phone: 

Witnesses to weighing (other than angler, captain, or weighmaster):

WHITNEY JOHNSON

Phone: 

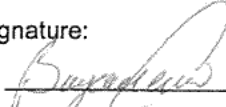
12. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS (fighting time, equipment used, additional witnesses, etc.):

3-5 MIN FIGHT TIME.

13. AFFIDAVIT

I, the undersigned, hereby take oath and attest that the fish described in this application was hooked, fought, and brought to gaff by me without assistance from anyone, except as specifically provided in the regulations, and that it was caught in accordance with Georgia Saltwater Gamefish Records angling rules. I further declare that all information in this application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature:



Date: 31 JUNE

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When completely filled out and signed, mail this application with photos by quickest means to:

Saltwater Gamefish Records Program
Coastal Resources Division
Georgia Department of Natural Resources
One Conservation Way
Brunswick, Georgia 31520
(912) 264 - 7218

Or email a scanned copy to Paul.Medders@dnr.ga.gov

**GEORGIA SALTWATER GAMEFISH RECORDS PROGRAM
REVIEW COMMITTEE**

DATE: 7/15/19

Name: Benjamin Lewis

SPECIES: Mutton snapper (*Lutjanus analis*)

DIVISION: WOMEN'S MEN'S X

CURRENT RECORD: N/A

WEIGHT NEEDED: LBS. OZ.


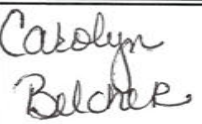



ENTRY WEIGHT: 18 LBS. 6.56 OZ.

DATE ENTRY RECEIVED: 7/15/2019

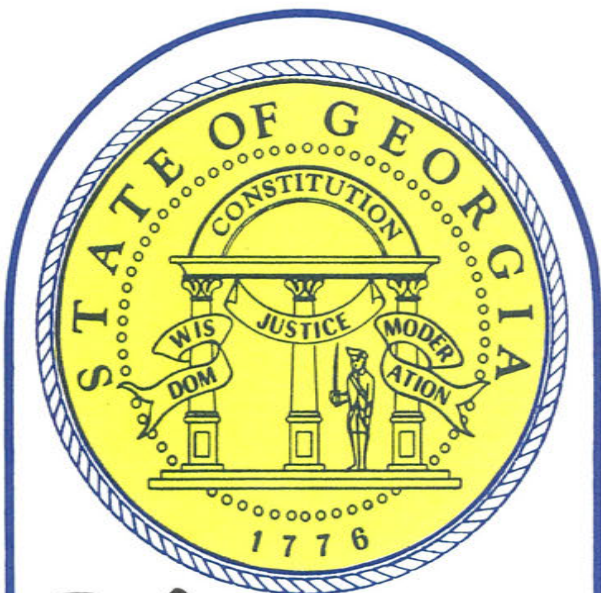
notes

There is currently no record for mutton snapper in Georgia. - THJ

confirmation of species ID came from UFL museum of natural history. George Burgess; David Snyder ^{CMB}

REVIEW COMMITTEE	APPROVED <u>NEW</u> RECORD	APPROVED <u>TIE</u> RECORD	DISAPPROVED RECORD <i>(explain below & back)</i>	APPROVED Outstanding Catch	DISAPPROVED Outstanding Catch <i>(explain below & back)</i>
Doug Haymans, Director Coastal Resources Division					
Carolyn Belcher					
Jared Flowers					
Paul Medders					
Tyler Jones					

State of Georgia Saltwater Gamefish Record



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GOVERNOR State of Georgia

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COMMISSIONER Department of Natural Resources

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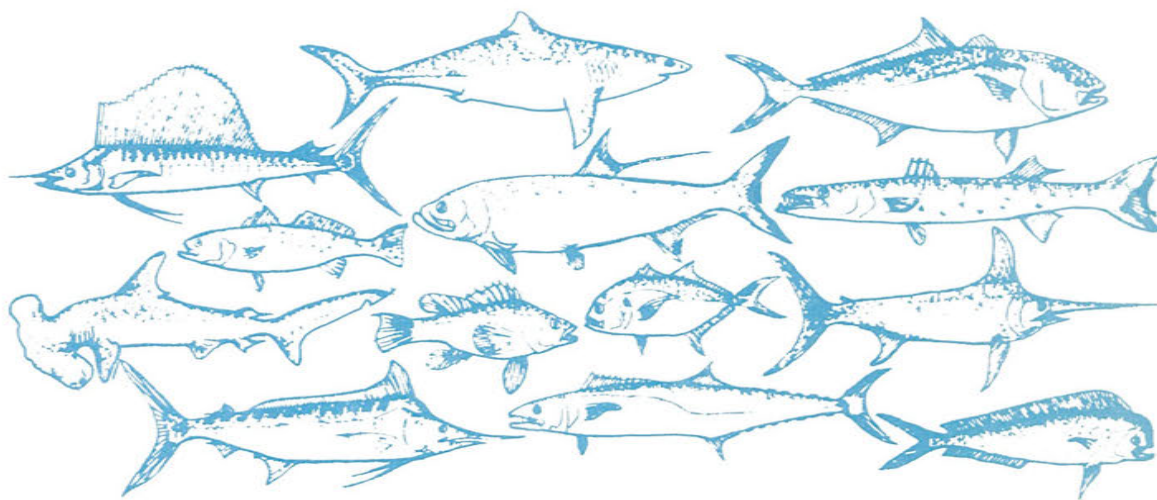
Benjamin Lewis

holds the
Men's State Record

for a
Mutton Snapper

Lutjanus analis

Lbs. 18 Oz. 6.56 Kg. _____ Date: June 30, 2019

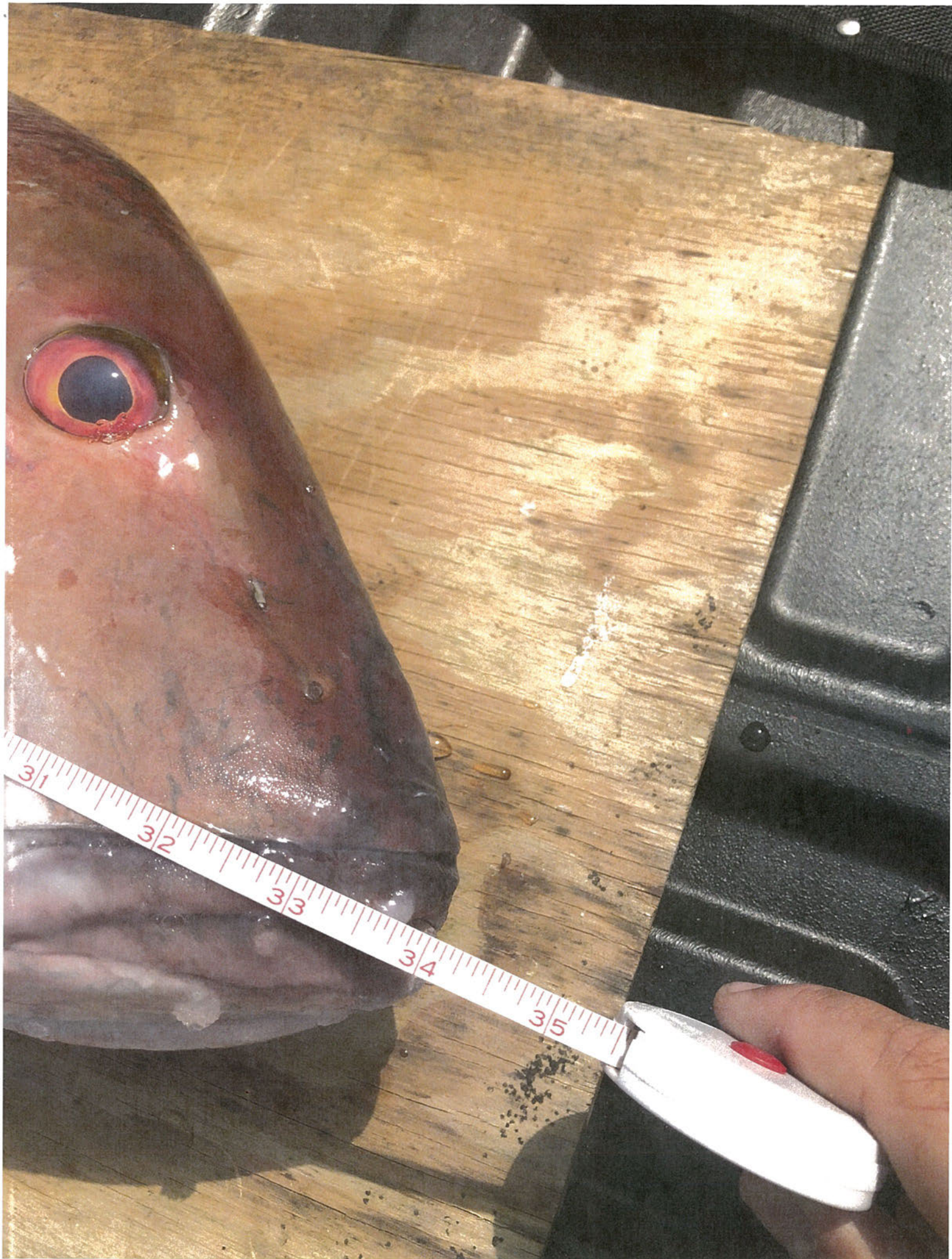


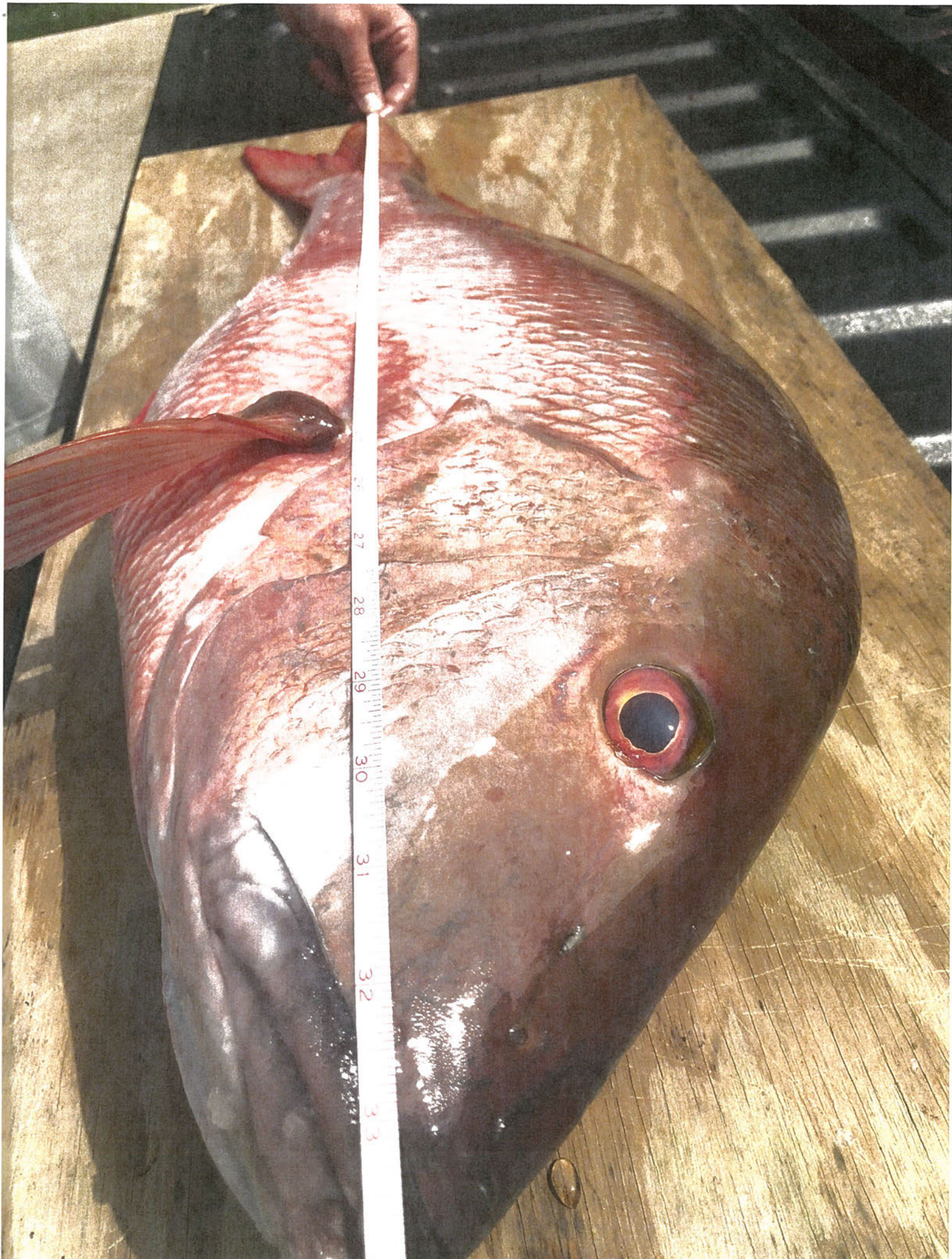




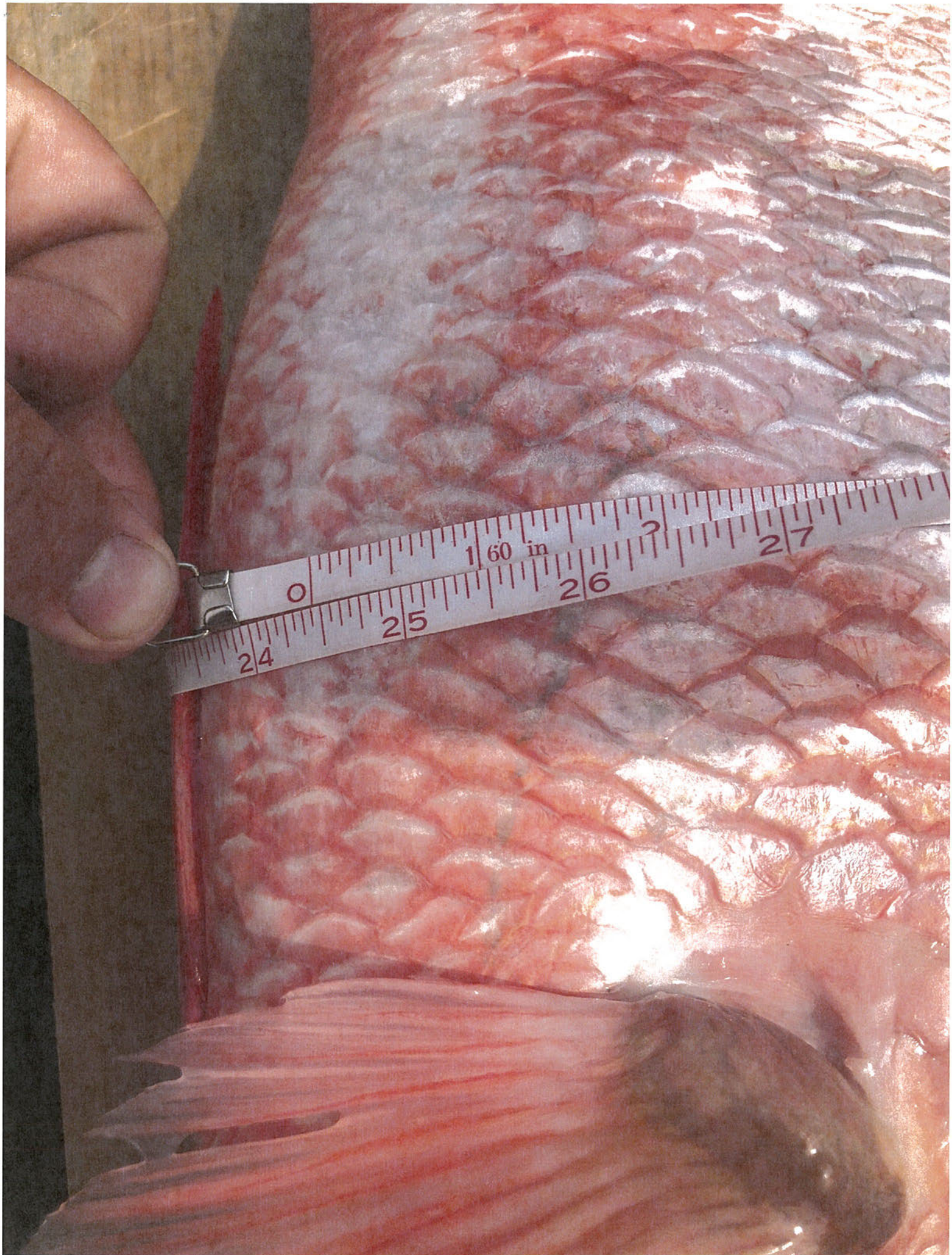


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FOOD SAFETY DIVISION



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GARY W. BLACK, COMMISSIONER

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