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Via Email: comments@wildlife.nh.gov

To Whom it May Concern;

CCA New Hampshire has over 300 members who fish in the coastal waters of New Hampshire. As a Board, we are very concerned with implemented cuts to the funding of NHF&G's Marine Division. Only because of this serious situation, we recommend that the price of a Resident and Nonresident NH Saltwater Fishing License be increased by $6.00. Here is our justification for that recommendation:

The funds needed to maintain the function of the Marine Division.
License fee has not increased in 15 years.
Legislature has cut funding for the Department by approximately 2 million dollars.
NH cannot utilize all potential federal funds due to a lack of the 25% matching dollars.
Massachusetts will be raising their license to $20.

Without an effective Marine Division, New Hampshire risks losing the effectiveness of it's voice on the boards and commissions that engage in the complex management of marine species. Other projects and programs, would also be hugely impacted. Given what could be lost, we feel it is important to raise this fee by $6.00.

Sincerely,



Zakary Robinson, President CCA NH

Cc: Renee Zobel

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