STATE OF FLORIDA
FLORIDA FISH AND WILDLIFE CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Order No. EO 17-14

Recreational Harvest Closure of Greater Amberjack in State Waters of the Gulf of Mexico

The Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission of the State of Florida, acting under the authority of Article IV, Section 9, of the Florida Constitution, through its Executive Director under Delegations of Authority Paragraph 17 and Paragraph 22, and due to the closure of federal waters of the Gulf of Mexico effective March 24, 2017, hereby closes the recreational season for greater amberjack in state waters of the Gulf of Mexico. This closure is consistent with the current closure in federal waters of the Gulf of Mexico by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration’s National Marine Fisheries Service.

1. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in Chapter 68B-14, Florida Administrative Code (F.A.C.), the recreational season of greater amberjack in state waters of the Gulf of Mexico shall close effective 12:01 A.M. local time on April 22, 2017, and remain closed through December 31, 2017. All recreational harvest of greater amberjack shall be prohibited in state waters of the Gulf of Mexico during this time.

2. All other requirements of 68B-14, F.A.C., shall remain in effect during the closure.

3. This order shall take effect at 12:01 a.m. on April 22, 2017.

Specific Authority: Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution
Law Implemented: Article IV, Section 9, Florida Constitution and 120.81(5), Florida Statutes

Given under my hand and seal of the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission
On this 20th day of April 2017

Nick Wiley, Executive Director

Attest: [Signature]
Agency Clerk