## **ATTENTION**

Greetings billfish anglers! Please complete the attached *Billfish Angler Survey* for 2014 and return as soon as possible. The results will be summarized for the next issue of the *Billfish Newsletter* which is currently being compiled.

Remember that one form should be filled out per angler. Additional copies can be photocopied or printed off our website and mailed to us: http://swfsc.noaa.gov/frd-billfish.aspx. If your name or address differs from what is on the mail label, please indicate the change in the space provided. When you are finished filling out the survey form, simply fold it in thirds so that the "NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE - NOAA" address is on the outside, tape it closed, and drop it in the mail. Postage is paid in the USA.

Thank you for your support. Fine fishing for now and forever!

Suzanne Kohin, Fisheries Biologist James Wraith, Fisheries Biologist

please check the	ceive the Billfish Newsletter by email, box below and provide your email
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PLEASE COMPLETE Captains, to avoid duplicate reports, please indicate only your individual fishing days and catch.

Do not report client's effort and catch.

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# PACIFIC-INDIAN OCEAN INTERNATIONAL BILLFISH ANGLING SURVEY FOR 2014 ONLY

BILLFISH ANGLERS: This survey to determine the trend in recreational fishing in the Pacific Ocean has been conducted annually since 1969. Your response will enable us to determine average catch rates of specific billfish in the areas indicated on the other side of this card. Accurate records are needed to determine the status of the stock, which will help ensure healthy populations in the future. Response is voluntary.

For each angler that fished for billfish in 2014 we request that you individually, and <u>as accurately as possible</u>, indicate the number of <u>days you fished for billfish during the calendar year of 2014 and the number of billfish caught by species</u>. **Fish tagged and/or released are counted as caught**. If you fished but were unsuccessful, it is still important to indicate the number of actual days fished.

The U.S. Government requires that all mailing lists be revised annually. If you did not fish but would like to remain on the mailing list, complete the address portion at the bottom of this card and return. Your cooperation is requested, and by completing the address portion you will be advised on the survey results. **Please return as soon as possible.** Postage is not required if mailed in the USA.

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