

## Kiley Dancy

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**From:** Moore, Christopher  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 2, 2018 2:27 PM  
**To:** Kiley Dancy; Beaty, Julia  
**Subject:** FW: Fuke Regulations Comments

**From:** tiderun1@aol.com <tiderun1@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 2, 2018 2:21 PM  
**To:** Moore, Christopher <cmoore@mafmc.org>  
**Subject:** Fuke Regulations Comments

Yoru scientific data seems to support the idea that killing only breeding size fluke is the way to improve fluke stocks. I wish some one could explain, terms that normal persons could under stand. It doesn't work for animals so what makes you think it will work for fish. Since you have started trying to improve fluke stocks by raising size limits and lowering bag limits year after year, we should have fluke all over the place. Instead, every year the fluke fishing seems to get worse and worse, to the point that many marinas are now only half filled as with no fluke and other species to catch, many are just selling their boats and giving up fishing. As a charter captain and guide I have seen the fishing decline year after year, to the point that I now do not even offer fluke fishing trips as an option. On the water I have observed less and less boats fishing for fluke. With all the increased size and lower bag limits and so few anglers still fishing for fluke, why aren't fluke all over the place. Something must be wrong with the model you are using and the data you are collecting. I can't for the life of me understand how killing adult breeding stock increased the bio mass. If they don't get to spawn how can there ever be a chance of producing more fish.

Thank You, Capt Ray Szulczewski Tide Runner Fly and Light Tackle Fishing, Cape May, New Jersey, 08204 609 410 7899 cell

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**From:** Moore, Christopher  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 2, 2018 9:37 AM  
**To:** Kiley Dancy; Beaty, Julia  
**Subject:** FW: 2019 NJ fluke regulations

-----Original Message-----

From: wilk@rcn.com <wilk@rcn.com>  
Sent: Thursday, August 2, 2018 8:38 AM  
To: Moore, Christopher <cmoore@mafmc.org>  
Subject: 2019 NJ fluke regulations

Dr. Moore,

I know you are receiving a lot of input from various directions. I as well believe that the female biomass is being over exploited, and that New Jersey is in a unique geographic location. The idea of splitting the state fluke regulations at about Barnegate Inlet, and changing the size and bag limit for the southern portion of the state to something like 1 fluke between 16" and 18", and 1 fluke over 18" may be a workable solution.

Thanks for your effort and time trying to solve this matter.

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**From:** Moore, Christopher  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 8, 2018 10:04 AM  
**To:** Kiley Dancy; Beaty, Julia  
**Subject:** FW: New Jersey flounder Regs

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**From:** Jeff Seagraves <jeff@thornbury.org>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 8, 2018 8:34 AM  
**To:** Moore, Christopher <cmoore@mafmc.org>  
**Subject:** New Jersey flounder Regs

Dr. Moore,

I wanted to take time to first thank you for the effort put forth by you and your staff. It is my understanding that a decision for New Jersey 2019 fluke regulations will be made at your August meeting. I would suggest that you consider a plan including a slot fish or two as part of the bag limit per angler. Please consider allowing anglers to keep a fish that may be under the current legal size limit but is "gut hooked". One suggestion may be to allow the three fish limit, but allow an "undersized" and gravely injured fish to count for two of the three fish limit. It seems to me that the mortality rate of 16 and 17 inch fish may be high enough to warrant allowing anglers too keep one of these fish if they are injured and are in imminent danger of dying.

Best of luck,  
Jeff Seagraves