

Scallop season opens June 15 east of the Fenholloway

RED SNAPPER

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Dec. 25-27 (Christmas weekend)
 Jan. 1-4 (Consecutively)
 Anyone fishing for red snapper from a private recreational vessel -- in state or federal waters -- must be registered as a State Reef Fish Angler (with annual renewal), even if exempt from fishing license requirements. Registration is available at GoOutdoorsFlorida.com.
 In addition to the recreational season, the 2026 red snapper fishing season for vessels with a federal for-hire reef fish permit is 147 days in federal waters of the Gulf, opening at 12:01 a.m., local time, on

June 1 and closing at 12:01 a.m., local time, October 26, 2026.
 Meanwhile, with approval of the EFP, Florida will implement a 39-day Atlantic red snapper season in 2026, a significant expansion from the two-day federal season allowed in 2025.
2026 Atlantic Red Snapper Season
 • Summer Season: May 22 through June 20.
 • Fall Season: Three-day weekends in October (Oct. 2-4, 9-11, and 16-18)
 The expanded Atlantic and Gulf seasons are expected to generate significant economic activity across Florida's coastal communities, supporting charter operators, bait and tackle

shops, restaurants, hotels and Florida's broader recreational fishing industry.
 "These exempted fishing permits will give Florida anglers and their families greater access to harvest red snapper, reduce reliance on a limited two-day season and provide more flexibility for a better experience on the water," said Coastal Conservation Association (CCA) Florida Director of Advocacy Trip Aukeman.
 Florida continues to lead the nation in recreational fishing and boating, with more than four million licensed anglers, 950,000 registered vessels and a \$31.3 billion boating industry supporting more than 100,000 jobs statewide.
 "Florida has led the way

in demonstrating how state-driven data collection and management can improve both conservation and access," said Jeff Angers, president of the Center for Sportfishing Policy.
Scallop Season Opens June 15 for most of Taylor County
 The recreational bay scallop harvest season will open Monday, June 15, along the southern portion of Taylor County and all of Dixie County.
 This includes all state waters east of Rock Island near the mouth of the Fenholloway River in Taylor County and north of Alligator Pass Daybeacon #4 near the mouth of the Suwannee River in Levy County. The season in

this area will remain open through Labor Day.
 The scallop bag limit will be reduced to one gallon whole/one cup shucked per person or five gallons whole/two pints shucked per vessel, whichever is less, for the first two weeks of the season.
 Beginning July 1, the regular bag and vessel limits

will apply (two gallons per person and 10 gallons per boat, if five or more people are on board) through the end of the season on Labor Day.
 For the rest of Taylor County's coastline -- west of the mouth of the Fenholloway River -- the season opens July 1 and will close Sept. 24.

Scallop mixer to be held June 2 in Steinhatchee

The Steinhatchee River Chamber of Commerce will hold a "Scallop Season Opener" mixer on June 2 from 6-8 p.m. at the American Legion Post in Steinhatchee.
 "This is a unique opportunity to connect with local business owners and prepare for the upcoming scallop season," Chamber officials said.
 "Enjoy light snacks and cash beverages while networking with fellow community business members. This event, hosted by the American Legion, is the perfect chance to build

relationships and get ready for a successful season," the Chamber states.
 "The event will take place from 6-8 p.m., allowing you to mingle with local business members, enjoy light snacks provided by the American Legion and purchase beverages. This is a great opportunity to get acquainted with the community and prepare for the scallop season," Chamber officials added.
 The American Legion Post 291, located at 220 11th Street SE, will provide a welcoming atmosphere for all attendees.

Information on donation opportunities, veteran applications available online

EXPANSION

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Since groundbreaking began in November 2003, community support for the park has remained strong.
 Board members said that Perry's continued support for local veterans has played a major role in the success

of the memorial park and expressed hope that community involvement will continue during this next phase of growth.
 The park is a 501(c)(3) non-profit entity and relies solely on donations. Financial contributions of any size are welcomed and appreciated and are

generally tax deductible.
 The park's website, www.tcvmp.com, provides information about donation opportunities, veteran block applications and ways to contact the organization with questions or feedback.
 Current board members are also happy to answer

questions about the plans that are in development. They include: Chair Roy Grubbs, Vice Chair Dana Southerland and Secretary/Treasurer Jamie Sheffield, along with directors Greg Parker, Mark Wiggins, Shawna Beach, Mike Hunter, Tim Cook and Wanda Thompson.

'A shining star'

FIRST FREEDOM

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Steinhatchee and Taylor County by designating 1st Avenue in Steinhatchee as 'First Freedom Avenue' and place signage to memorize this dedication," the resolution states.
 After it was read aloud by County Attorney Conrad Bishop, Newman made a motion to approve the resolution. Commissioner Pam Feagle seconded, and the measure passed unanimously.
 "I want to thank all of you for this," Jefferson said. "I do want to say that in light of people with differences in opinions, the way they were raised and the way they see things, this is a perfect example today of

our county commissioners, chairperson and all parties involved coming together and uniting, which proves we can do that," Jefferson said.
 "I know that this is the beginning of Taylor County becoming the shining star for all counties in the State of Florida for our veterans," he said. "And, for that, I thank each and every one of you from the bottom of my heart on behalf of all of our veterans throughout Taylor County -- not just Steinhatchee -- but all of Taylor County. We thank you. God bless you all."
 "I look forward to making it even greater down the road as we become the shining star for Florida for our veterans and the American Legion," Jefferson said.

County officials talking to FDOT about additional funding

MCDANIEL ROAD

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Considering the lowest bid amount (\$2.395 million), as well as the expected cost of CEI services, the county will need around \$1.37 million in additional funding to complete the project as it is currently designed, Dudley said.
 The county approved a reimbursement agreement with FDOT in February 2022 for a Small County

Outreach Program (SCOP) grant in the amount of \$1.37 million for the McDaniel Road project, which was later designed to widen and resurface 1.3 miles of the roadway from Wright Road to Pisgah Road.
 In March, the commission agreed to advertise for bids for the project, seeking construction firms to furnish all needed materials, equipment, labor and supervision to widen and resurface the road from its

current 19-20 feet width to 24 feet wide. Additionally, the project will include improvements such as safety modifications, drainage improvements, pavement markings and signage.
 At that time, Dudley warned the commission in a memorandum that staff was concerned that the \$1 million remaining after the design phase "may be insufficient to complete the entire project as proposed without additional money

from FDOT or the board. Of course, a last resort would be to reduce the project's scope of work."
 Dudley said staff would discuss the funding issue with FDOT once bids were received and the county had a firm cost to consider.
 At the May 4 meeting, County Administrator LaWanda Pemberton stated that the bid committee for the project consisted of Dudley, Public Works Director Hank Evans and Scott Knight.

At the commission's May 19 meeting, the committee presented its recommendation to select Anderson Columbia as the apparent lowest cost responsive proposal.
 In a memo to the commission, Dudley stated the bid committee had submitted its review, along with a draft contract, to FDOT, adding that the county has only \$1,019,124 of the original \$1,370,000 in SCOP grant funding

remaining.
 According to Dudley, county staff suggested award options for the SCOP project, adding, "It is hoped FDOT will be able to assist Taylor County with \$1,376,247 of additional state funding."
 If additional FDOT funding is not available, Dudley said other options include funding the shortfall using the county's secondary road paving fund or reducing the scope of the project.

LEGALS

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the County's website at www.taylorcountygov.com. The entire Request For Proposal Package may be obtained by contacting LaWanda Pemberton, County Administrator at LPemberton@taylorcountygov.com, or Melody Cox at Melody.cox@taylorcountygov.com. The Request for Proposal Package is also posted on the County's website at www.taylorcountygov.com.
SUBMITTAL PARAMETERS AND DISQUALIFICATION
 Proposals will be publicly opened on Monday, June 16, 2026 at 6 p.m. or as soon thereafter at a regularly scheduled Board of Commissioners meeting. Proposers shall submit one (1) signed original and three (3) complete copies of the package. All submissions shall be sealed, and clearly marked with the "CDBG-DR and CDBG-MIT Grant Administration Project" and delivered to the Clerk of Courts, 1st Floor Courthouse, 108 North Jefferson Street, Suite 102, Perry, Florida 32347 no later than Friday, June 12, 2026 at 4:00 p.m. The Respondent's name and mailing address MUST be clearly marked on the outside of the proposal envelope. Proposals must be clear, concise, and specific. To facilitate effective evaluation by the County, proposals shall be limited to 70 pages, excluding sectional dividers, and front and back covers. Proposals which exceed this length will be considered non-responsive

and will not be evaluated. Proposals are due and must be received by the due date outlined in this RFP. Responses/qualifications proposals received later than the date and time specified will be deemed non-responsive and will not be considered. The Taylor County BOCC will not be responsible for the late delivery of any proposals that are incorrectly addressed, delivered in person, by mail, or any other type of delivery service. Responses/qualifications proposals must be signed by an individual of the respondent's organization legally authorized to commit the respondent's organization to the performance of the product(s) and/or service(s) contemplated by this document. The Taylor County Board of County Commissioners reserves the right to accept or reject any or all qualifications proposals or any parts thereof; and the award; if an award is made, will be made to the most responsible firm with the best qualifications proposal whose proposal and qualifications indicate that the award will be in the best interest of Taylor County and reserves the right to waive irregularities in the RFP responses.
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA. CIVIL DIVISION CASE NO. 23000597CAAXMX

U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCF 2 ACQUISITION TRUST, Plaintiff, vs. REGINA GRIFFIN; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 1; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 2; and ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT TO THIS ACTION, OR HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED, Defendant(s).
RE-NOTICE OF SALE PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 45
 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to an Order or Summary Final Judgment of foreclosure dated November 7, 2025 and an Order Resetting Sale dated May 4, 2026 and entered in Case No. 23000597CAAXMX of the Circuit Court in and for Taylor County, Florida, wherein U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, NOT IN ITS INDIVIDUAL CAPACITY BUT SOLELY AS OWNER TRUSTEE FOR RCF 2 ACQUISITION TRUST is Plaintiff and REGINA GRIFFIN; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 1; UNKNOWN TENANT NO. 2; and ALL UNKNOWN PARTIES CLAIMING INTERESTS BY, THROUGH, UNDER OR AGAINST A NAMED DEFENDANT TO THIS ACTION, OR HAVING OR CLAIMING TO HAVE ANY RIGHT, TITLE OR INTEREST IN THE PROPERTY HEREIN DESCRIBED, are Defendants, I will sell to the

highest and best bidder for cash on the Front Steps of the Taylor County Courthouse, 108 N. Jefferson Street, Perry, FL 32347, 11:00 a.m., on July 14, 2026, the following described property as set forth in said Order or Final Judgment, to-wit:
 THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED LAND, SITUATE, LYING AND BEING IN TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA, TO-WIT: BEGIN AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF THE E 1/2 OF SW 1/4 OF SW 1/4 OF SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 7 EAST, AND RUN NORTH 563 FEET, THENCE EAST 560 FEET FOR A POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE FROM SAID POINT OF BEGINNING RUN NORTH 100 FEET, THENCE EAST 70 FEET, THENCE SOUTH 100 FEET, THENCE WEST 70 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. SAID PROPERTY IS ALSO KNOWN AS LOT 101, BELAIR MANOR SUBDIVISION, AN UNRECORDED SUBDIVISION OF A PORTION OF THE E 1/2 OF SW 1/4 OF SW 1/4 OF SECTION 26, TOWNSHIP 4 SOUTH, RANGE 7 EAST, TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA.
 ANY PERSON CLAIMING AN INTEREST IN THE SURPLUS FROM THE SALE, IF ANY, OTHER THAN THE PROPERTY OWNER AS OF THE DATE OF THE LIS PENDENS MUST FILE A CLAIM BEFORE THE CLERK REPORTS THE SURPLUS AS UNCLAIMED. THE COURT, IN ITS DISCRETION, MAY ENLARGE THE TIME OF THE SALE. NOTICE OF THE CHANGED TIME OF SALE SHALL BE PUBLISHED AS PROVIDED HEREIN.

DATED at Perry, Florida, on May 19th, 2026.
 GARY KNOWLES, JR.
 As Clerk, Circuit Court
 By: Shana Neal
 As Deputy Clerk
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR TAYLOR COUNTY, FLORIDA
CASE NO.: 2025-CA-000172
 LAKEVIEW LOAN SERVICING, LLC, Plaintiff, v.
 RACHEL OBENSHINE, et al., Defendants.
NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE SALE
 NOTICE is hereby given that Gary Knowles, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Taylor County, Florida, will on July 2, 2026, at 11:00 a.m. ET, at the East steps of the Taylor County Courthouse, 108 North Jefferson Street, Perry, Florida 32347 in accordance with Chapter 45, F.S., offer for sale and sell to the highest and best bidder for cash, the following described property situated in Taylor County, Florida, to wit:
 Lot 18, Block 4, the BROBOSTON & FENDIG'S ADDITION TO THE CITY OF PERRY, FLORIDA, according to the map or plat thereof as recorded in Plat Book 1, Page 9, Public Records of Taylor County, Florida.
 Property Address: 302 W. Florida Street, Perry, FL 32347 pursuant to the Final Judgment of Foreclosure entered in a case pending in said Court, the style and

case number of which is set forth above.
 Any person claiming an interest in the surplus from the sale, if any, other than the property owner as of the date of the Lis Pendens must file a claim before the clerk reports the surplus as unclaimed.
 If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee or the Mortgagee's attorney.
 If you are a person with a disability who needs any accommodation in order to participate in this proceeding, you are entitled, at no cost to you, to the provision of certain assistance. For all other ADA accommodation requests please contact: Carrina Cooper, Court Administration, 173 NE Hernando Avenue, Room 408, Lake City, Florida 32055, Phone: 386-758-2163, Email: ADAmail@jud3.flcourts.org. *Contact Court Administration at least 7 days before your scheduled court appearance, or immediately upon receiving this notification if the time before the scheduled appearance is less than 7 days; if you are hearing impaired call 711.
 WITNESS my hand and official seal of this Honorable Court this 19th day of May, 2026.
 Gary Knowles
 Clerk of the Circuit Court
 By: Shana Neal
 DEPUTY CLERK