Impacts of MPA’s

On Recreational Charter Boats
We Support MPA’s that

- Science Based
- Only eliminate recreational fishing activity when scientific evidence supports it
- Allows for public participation
- Is monitored on a regular basis
- Is reviewed every 5 years to assure that goals are being achieved
- Coordination & Cooperation between Local, State & Federal Entities
Science Based

- Protecting areas vital to the conservation of species and habitats, such as
- spawning and nursery grounds

*We supported Madison/Swanson closure to bottom fishing to protect spawning gag*

- or unique habitats
Only eliminate recreational fishing activity when scientific evidence supports it

- Base lines need to be established
- Recreational anglers need to understand what will be protected with the MPA and how their activity adversely effects the objective of the MPA
Allows for public participation

- Compliance with MPA regulations are better obtained when the public has an opportunity to participate in their development and goals
- Public acceptance of the various types of MPA/MMA is crucial to the establishment of MPA/MMA
Is monitored on a regular basis

- Baselines need to be established prior to implementing an MPA or MMA
- Goals need to be identified and published
- Timelines need to be estimated for reaching goals
- Monitoring schedules should be established and reported on a regular basis
Is reviewed every 5 years to assure that goals are being achieved

• From baseline numbers progress reports should be given publicly
• This will ensure public support
• Enforcement Reports on effectiveness
• This will help foster compliance through outreach and education
Coordination and Cooperation

- Must have Local, State and Federal entities support the goals of an MPA
- Through enforcement
- Joint plans that will enhance the ability to reach goals