

STATE OF LOUISIANA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

BATON ROUGE

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. EWE 92 - 22

WHEREAS, the health, welfare, and prosperity of thousands of Louisiana's citizens depend on the productivity of Louisiana's shrimp fisheries, the largest and most valuable fishery in the state; and

WHEREAS, there are currently numerous problems confronting the Louisiana shrimp industry including, but not limited to, the importation of foreign shrimp, the question of shrimp habitat, and a conflict concerning shrimping equipment; and

WHEREAS, these problems present an exigency to Louisiana's shrimp industry, therefore requiring action to be taken; and

WHEREAS, it is the intent of the Governor of the State of Louisiana that this Executive Order supersede and prevail over Executive Order No. BR 89-39 and its specified provisions;

NOW THEREFORE I, EDWIN W. EDWARDS, Governor of the State of Louisiana, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana, do hereby create the Governor's Task Force on Shrimp Management and do hereby order as follows:

SECTION 1: The Governor's Task Force on Shrimp Management shall be composed of the following members who shall be appointed by and serve at the pleasure of the Governor:

1. One (1) shrimp broker;
2. Two (2) members of the Louisiana Shrimp Association;
3. Two (2) Louisiana members from the American Shrimp Processors Association;
4. Twelve (12) shrimp fishermen from throughout coastal Louisiana;
5. Two (2) shrimp buyers;
6. Two (2) staff members from the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to serve as non-voting members; and
7. Two (2) Facilitative Aides to serve as non-voting members.

SECTION 2: The Governor shall appoint the chairman of the Task Force.

SECTION 3: The functions and goals of the Task Force include, but are not limited to:

1. Reviewing the current statutes, regulations and management techniques employed by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries as they relate to the Louisiana shrimp industry;
2. Recommending management criteria to open and close the shrimp seasons in offshore waters and the fall inshore season;
3. Reviewing licensing programs and requirements as it might apply to the Louisiana shrimp industry;

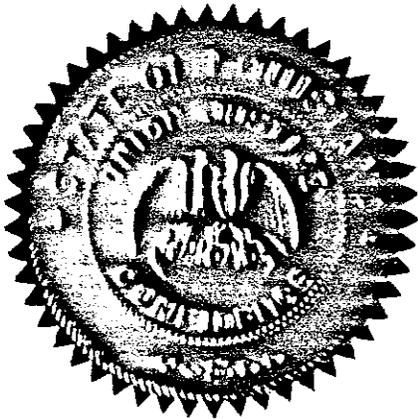
4. Taking all reasonable steps to assure the proper management of the Louisiana shrimp resource, and
5. Submitting a written report to the Governor within one year after issuance of this Executive Order, and thereafter as the situation warrants, or as requested by the Governor.

SECTION 4: In order to accomplish such goals, the Shrimp Task Force may request such assistance reasonably necessary from the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

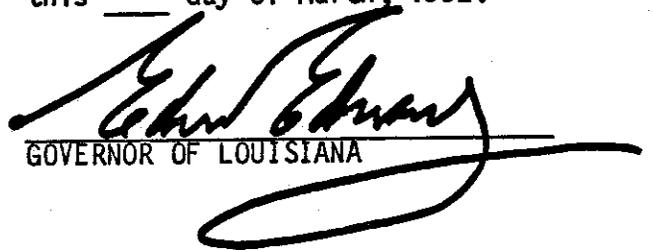
SECTION 5: All departments, commissions, boards, agencies and officers of the state, or any political subdivision thereof, are authorized and directed to cooperate with the Governor's Task Force on Shrimp Management in implementing the provisions of this Executive Order.

SECTION 6: No member of the Task Force shall receive per diem or other compensation for the performance of his duties.

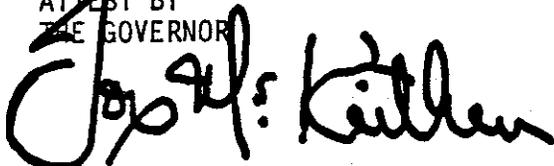
SECTION 7: This Executive Order shall be effective upon signature.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand officially and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Louisiana, at the Capitol, in the City of Baton Rouge, on this 20th day of March, 1992.


GOVERNOR OF LOUISIANA

ATTEST BY
THE GOVERNOR



SECRETARY OF STATE