

**From:** Bowman, Randal  
**To:** [Michael Weiss - NOAA Federal](#)  
**Subject:** Re: NE Fishing question  
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OK, thanks. Was just trying to be sure the Secretary had the full picture. Will go with your statement.

On Wed, Aug 16, 2017 at 5:31 PM, Michael Weiss - NOAA Federal

<[michael.weiss@noaa.gov](mailto:michael.weiss@noaa.gov)> wrote:

Hi Randy.

NOAA Fisheries was not able to confirm the accuracy of this statement and referred you back to commercial fishing section of the draft summary report that includes our data on fishing in the region.

Thanks,

Michael

On Wed, Aug 16, 2017 at 8:22 AM, Bowman, Randal <[randal\\_bowman@ios.doi.gov](mailto:randal_bowman@ios.doi.gov)> wrote:

This is for background, not inclusion in anything to be released - we received a comment from the Anderson Cabot Center for Ocean Life at the NE Aquarium, based on their analysis of the NEFMC letter to Sec Zinke of June 29 - apparently from the charts at the end, as I can't find this as a statement anywhere in the comment, and your report does not take this approach:

"... most of the 90 fishermen who claimed to fish in the monument area can attribute less than 1% of their annual revenues to the monument region. For the remaining 8 or so fishermen, the Council's estimates indicate less than 10% of their annual revenues are due to the monument region."

I presume this excludes the lobster and crab fishery.

Could you have someone check the accuracy of the statement?

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