



Marine Game Fish Tagging Program Monthly Summary May 2022



Because program activity is ongoing, this report represents approximate numbers, and may not be reflective of overall activity.

During the month of May 2022, a total of 223 fish were tagged and released by 41 active participants. There were 56 recaptures reported from 54 recreational anglers (Table 1).

Species	Tagged	Recaptured and re-released	Recaptured and Harvested
Scamp	1		
Gag grouper	4		1
Cobia	13		
Red snapper	8	1	
Sheepshead	34		
Red porgy	2		
Black drum	14	4	
Red drum	84	38	
Flounder	61	6	4
Amberjack	2		
Striped bass		1	1
TOTALS	223	50	6

Table 1: The number of fish tagged and recaptured by the program participants for the month of May 2022. Note the number recaptured could include fish that were initially tagged before the start of the month.

There were 2 notable recaptures for May 2022

A striped bass that was originally tagged in the Goose Creek was recaptured and harvested 494 days later near the Rice Hope Plantation in the upper Cooper River.

Event Date	Event Type	Tag	Len.	Angler	General Location
12/29/2020	Capture, Initial tagging, Released		27	Myers, Don	Goose Creek
05/07/2022	Recapture, Removed tag, Harvested		28.25	Davis, Chris	Cooper River near Rice Hope Plantation

Another striped bass that was tagged in the Cooper River near the I-526 bridge was recaptured all the way up in the Saluda River near the Riverbanks Zoo in Columbia! The fish was at large for 73 days and released with the tag intact.

Event Date	Event Type	Tag	Len.	Angler	General Location
03/03/2022	Capture, Initial tagging, Released		22	Myers, Don	Cooper R. @ Mark Clark; Clouter Creek (middle Section); Filbin
05/15/2022	Recapture, Previous tag observed, Released		23	Thongsirimongkhon, Jason	Lower Saluda River