ESHING REPORT

Reporting Period: November 23, 2022 to December 23, 2022

Note: Missing dates normally mean that the wind contributed to boats not going out to fish.

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11/24-27/2022 ESCAPE fished Esteban and had a great day trolling for nice Yellowtail, Sardinera (Brownies) and one Pinto Bass, catching on just about any color of X-Rap. SANDDOLLAR had good bottom fishing in the area south of Turner, including a nice Rosy Baqueta/Grouper. CAP'N JACK caught nice goldies and Yellow eyed Salmon in the same general area. NIGHTWINGS also caught Goldies, Rockies, Triggerfish/Cochis and one nice Pinta/Pinto Bass at Colorado Risco on jigs off the bottom. A big Panga with spear fishermen from Hermosillo had a great catch of Yellowtail, Sardinera including two beautiful gold phase specimens near Pedro Matir. MI AMORE caught Sandies, AKA Rockies south of Turner. Generally, Yellowtail were scarce near Turner bay the 27tth.

Another unidentified boat fishing north of Las Cruces beach returned with 17 "White Sea Bass". They were actually protected Totuava, a close relative of White Sea Bass. These endangered fish can grow to 300 pounds and primarily caught up north near San Felipe and the Islas Encantadas. They should always be released unharmed. The easiest

way to differentiate these two species is simply by examining the caudal (tail) fin. The outline of the back edge of the fin is concave)>>>; in White Sea Bass and convex in Totuava (>>>:. Google this name to learn more because it is the most famous fish in the Sea of Cortez, originally harvested as a food fish but now known as "the cocaine of the sea" due to the popularity of its air bladder in China as a delicacy in soup making. Cartels in in Mexico are supporting this illegal harvest because the dried air bladders sell for \$46,000 a kilo in China. What a crazy world!

11/30/22 SANDDOLLAR reported really slow fishing in the Turner-Dead Man area for either trolling or bottom fishing. ESCAPE fished Pedro Matir for nice Yellowtail and Grouper to 30#. MI AMORE and 4 PLAY caught bottom fish off the south end of Turner.

12/01/22 A number of boats were out fishing but only one report (for bottom fish at Turner by HALE LU YA) came back.

12/02/22 EL SUENO caught Sierra, Bonito, Salmon and Suegra around the Turner area but saw no sign of Yellowtail. NIGHTWINGS saw three Fin Whales off Colorado Risco and caught bottom fish including two nice Pinto Bass to 17# there and at Dead Man.

12/7-21/22 Only reports of boat problems, lots of wind and no sign of Yellowtail

No further reports received, but below are pictures of Groupers, and Pinto Bass mentioned

