



# Chesapeake Bay Program

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[Chesapeake Executive Council](#)

OCTOBER 10, 1996

## Adoption Statement on Black Sea Bass Fishery Management Plan

We, the undersigned, adopt the *1996 Chesapeake Bay and Atlantic Coast Black Sea Bass Management Plan*. We agree to accept the Plan as a guide to conserving and protecting the black sea bass resource for long-term ecological, economic and social benefits. We further agree to work together to implement, by the dates set forth in the Plan, the management actions recommended to address overfishing, catch of undersized fish, stock assessment and research needs, and habitat degradation.

We recognize the need to commit long-term, stable, financial support and human resources to the task of managing the black sea bass stock and addressing important research needs. In addition, we direct the [Living Resources Subcommittee](#) to periodically review and update the plan and report on progress made with achieving the plan's management recommendations.

**Date: October 10, 1996**

**Chesapeake Executive Council**

For The United States of America, *Carol M. Browner, Administrator*

For The State of Maryland, *Parris N. Glendening, Governor*

For The Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, *Tom Ridge, Governor*

For The Commonwealth of Virginia, *George Allen, Governor*

For The District of Columbia, *W. David Watts for Marion Barry, Mayor*

For The Chesapeake Bay Commission, *Senator Noah H. Wenger, Chair*

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