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CFRF Ventless Trap EFP

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The following comments are from Tracy Pugh, DMF Biologist regarding the CFRF Ventless Trap EFP:

The only comment I have is that NOAA/NMFS should ensure the CFRF will be removing all buoyed gear from those areas closed seasonally for protected species. There is no clear mention of this in the document, and there is a statement about gear remaining in the water "...up to 12 months..." so I feel like this warrants clarification.

Otherwise I am very supportive of the continuation of this work.

Thanks

Tracy

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