

will not reopen until January 1, 1996. During the closure, wild live rock may not be harvested or possessed in the Gulf EEZ, and the purchase, barter, trade, or sale of wild live rock in or from the Gulf EEZ is prohibited. The latter prohibition does not apply to wild live rock that was harvested prior to December 5, 1995.

Classification

This action is required by 50 CFR 638.26(d) and is exempt from review under E.O. 12866.

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