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**Downey Named Chief of Enforcement for Marine Resources**  

Jason Downey has been named Chief Enforcement Officer for the Marine Resources Division (MRD) of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR). Downey’s promotion was effective April 16, 2018.

In addition to supervising MRD’s 18 conservation enforcement officers, Downey will act as a liaison with other state, local and federal law enforcement agencies, participate in various outreach programs, and serve as a member of both the Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commission and Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council law enforcement committees.

“I am fully confident in Jason’s ability to take the helm of the enforcement section,” said Scott Bannon, MRD Director. “He has been an outstanding officer and supervisor and has great vision for the section.”

Downey began his career with MRD in 2002 as a laborer with the enforcement section. He was hired as a Conservation Enforcement Officer in 2004.

Prior to his promotion to Enforcement Chief, Downey served as an MRD dive team member and a certified FBI Firearms Instructor. He was promoted to Conservation Officer Supervisor (Lieutenant) for Mobile County in 2012. Downey holds a Bachelor of Science in Sociology from the University of South Alabama.

The Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources promotes wise stewardship, management and enjoyment of Alabama’s natural resources through four divisions: Marine Resources, State Lands, State Parks, and Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries.