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*Provide suggestions to improve how fisheries research and development projects and findings are communicated to you*

# Feedback Session Announcement

Tuesday, June 11, 2019 and Wednesday, June 12, 2019 at 5PM  
Elliott Amphitheater

## **Where**

Hutchinson Island Marriott  
555 NE Ocean Boulevard  
Stuart, FL 34996

## **Who should attend?**

Open to anyone in the fishing community or from any area of the fishery supply chain from boat to plate.

## **How long is the feedback session?**

The session is between 45 minutes to an hour.

## **Purpose of the Feedback Session**

Obtain feedback and recommendations from fishing community constituents on ways to improve communications, dissemination, and utilization of results achieved through projects funded by the Saltonstall-Kennedy Grant Program. These projects were funded because they address the needs of the fishing community and the results can be utilized by the stakeholders in all areas of the fisheries supply chain.

## **What is the Saltonstall-Kennedy Grant Program (S-K)?**

Each year, S-K awards approximately \$10 million to fisheries research and development projects (up to \$300,000 per project). These projects are



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selected based on criteria used to determine how well they address the needs of fishing communities, demonstrate direct benefits to U.S. fishing industries (including both commercial and recreational fisheries), and involve fishing community participation. Demand for S-K funding is high and very competitive. In FY 2018, 38 projects were selected for funding out of 155 accepted full proposals and 517 submitted pre-proposals.

From 2010 through 2018, over \$13 million in funding was awarded for 51 projects through the S-K Program in the Southeast region. Many of these projects are in states under the South Atlantic Fishery Management Council and seek benefits to both commercial and recreational fisheries. A few examples of these projects include:

- Estimate a mortality rate and an annual number of dead discarded recreationally caught dolphinfish in U.S. South Atlantic federal waters
- Establish a bottom long line survey and provide life-history data for deep-water snapper-grouper species in the U.S. South Atlantic
- Improve southern flounder management in the southeastern United States by examining habitat effects on the sex ratios in developing juveniles

**Who can I call or email if I have questions?**

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