

## Commercial Logbook Reporting Amendment Development History

- December 2012
  - Commercial logbook reporting becomes a dedicated amendment
    - Previously considered as actions in CEBA3
- February 2013
  - Gulf Council agrees to pursuing joint action
- March 2013
  - Support joint action with GMFMC
  - Remove several items from logbook form
  - Hold meetings with fishermen to develop electronic tools
  - Develop options for June 2013
- September 2013
  - Provide progress reports at each Council meeting
- March 2014
  - Provide options for electronic reporting
- June 2014
  - Options paper reviewed
  - ACCSP options and existing software noted,
  - Goal is to accommodate on-shore or at-sea, and discards
  - Motion approved to develop commercial logbook electronic reporting in cooperation with ACCSP.
    - SEFSC will provide data elements and SEFSC will provide permits database linkage.
    - Team Composition: Gregg Waugh (SAFMC staff), Mike Cahall (ACCSP staff), Dave Gloeckner/Steve Turner (SEFSC staff), TBD (SERO staff), and Monica Smit-Brunello (NOAA GC staff).
    - Initial expectations were that a system for optional use could be available in January 2015.
    - Paper reporting will also continue while this is developed and implemented as an option
- September 2014
  - Demonstration of the Northeast system by Mike Cahall and Francine Karp.
- October 2014
  - Demonstration of the Northeast system by Francine Karp to the Snapper-Grouper AP.
    - AP approved a motion supporting the Councils efforts for voluntary electronic reporting
    - AP approved a motion requesting that the Council consider voluntary electronic reporting for recreational anglers.
- December 2014
  - Status update from Mike Cahall
    - Software: ready
    - Permits interface: secured
    - Data elements: in progress
      - initial list included more variables than existing logbook
      - Questioned whether this is allowable under existing authority of if an amendment required
      - Considering reducing the number of variables
    - Data integration & dissemination: in progress in the Northeast, should easily transfer to Southeast. Operational target in Northeast is mid 2015
    - Implementation: Target mid-2015, possible trial or pilot first.