

Cross regional issues identified as part of NMFS Electronic Technologies Initiative.

Cross regional issues are those that are not specific to one region. The list of cross regional issues identified to date includes:

- 1) Moving from pilot project to full implementation
- 2) How to fund EM and ER?
- 3) Cost comparison for different options
- 4) Electronic Monitoring as compared with Observer Coverage
- 5) Different technology options
  - a. Links between fishery independent and fishery dependent use of EM
- 6) Technology advancements needed in:
  - a. Data storage and transfer
  - b. Image recognition
- 7) Recreational fisheries
- 8) Law enforcement
- 9) Information confidentiality
- 10) IT infrastructure
- 11) Data storage
- 12) Information security
- 13) Connecting monitoring and reporting
- 14) Managing expectations about
  - a. Costs for EM and ER
  - b. Who will pay for EM and ER systems
  - c. How quickly systems can be implemented in individual fisheries