

# Snapper Grouper Permit & Recreational Reporting App – MyFishCount

2018 Snapper Grouper AP Meeting



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**Goal:** Develop an electronic permitting and reporting app for private recreational snapper grouper anglers



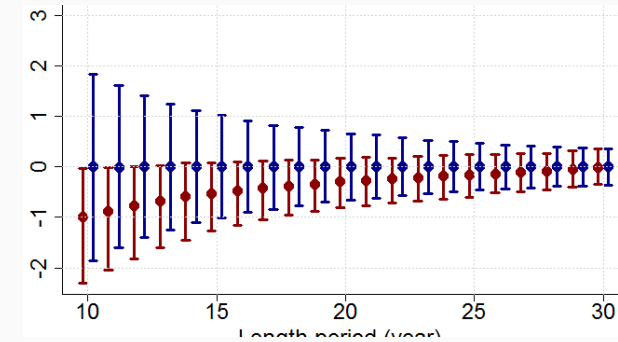
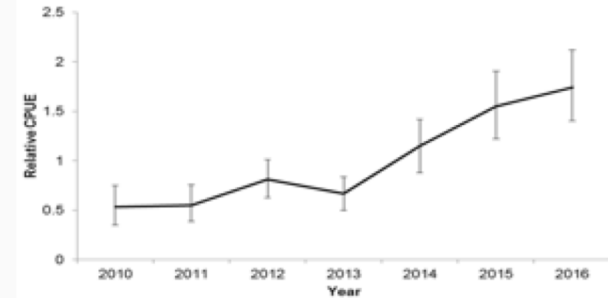
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Report



Improve  
Recreational  
Data






# 2017 Red Snapper Mini-Season


Opportunity:

Pilot MyFishCount

- Web based platform
- Provide additional data stream on recreational fishing

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### MyFishCount

MyFishCount is a Pilot Platform for Recreational Fisherman to report red snapper catches in the South Atlantic region. Assist state and federal samplers by allowing them to sample your fish back at the dock or through carcass collection program. More information can be found on state and federal data collection programs for red snapper at the [South Atlantic Fishery Management Council's website](#).

The platform is designed for individual fisherman to report their own catch.


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### Create Trips from Mobile Website

MyFishCount allows you to create trips from a mobile website. You can specify the area you are departing from, your method of fishing, details of your trip and more.



### Log Your Catch

Once a trip is created, you can make as many catch logs as you want for red snapper during the mini-season. You can add details about your catch including location, length, weight, and release condition of the fish. These data are included as part of your trip and available for your reference at any time.



### View Past Trips

You can view past trips in one central location. The data can be downloaded as a CSV to allow for convenient storage on your computer.



# Outreach

Sport Fishing Clubs

Fishing Forums & Social Media

Online articles

Event at Charleston tackle shop

## SPORT FISHING



RED SNAPPER SEASON BEGINS  
TOMORROW- REPORT YOUR CATCHES

Federal fishery managers are collecting catch data from South Atlantic anglers in this month's red snapper mini-season in an unprecedented web-based program.



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**Recreational Anglers Asked To Help With Red Snapper Research**

NOVEMBER 1, 2017 BY INTHEBITE EDITOR

**FLORIDA SPORTSMAN**

***Sportfishing Industry Applauds Opening of South Atlantic Red Snapper Fishery***

*Voluntary reporting and use of best fishing practices will help ensure a robust fishery*

**Mobile Fish Reporting Steps Ahead**

**FISHERY MANAGERS AND FISHERMEN TEAM UP TO REPORT RED SNAPPER CATCH**

**SAVING SEAFOOD**  
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**New Electronic Reporting System for South Atlantic Red Snapper Seasons**

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**The Promise, and Peril, of Electronic Reporting for Anglers**

**Sargent: Red snapper anglers are sources for data**

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**MyrtleBeachonline**

**Red snapper highlight catch during mini-season**

**Red snapper: Anglers asked to help**

# Anglers Participated

Angler involvement:

- 360 profiles
- 341 reports

Data collected:

- Sizes of fish  
(kept and released)
- Distribution across  
geographic range
- Release information  
Depth fished  
Release treatment



# Emailed Reports

Emailed reports to MyFishCount users.

Weekend 1, weekend 2, extended season, and overall reports distributed.

Included facts and figures about information reported.



## MyFishCount Report Based on Your Input

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Thank you to all the MyFishCount users. We are gathering some great information that was not previously available for the private recreational fishery. We are providing you with preliminary information that has been reported through MyFishCount from weekend one of the 2017 red snapper mini-season.

Currently, there are over 100 people registered to use the web portal, MyFishCount. Below are some tables and charts you might find interesting based on your reports.

Thank you again to all the anglers who reported and provided information through MyFishCount. Please encourage your fellow anglers to continue to report this weekend. Information regarding the second mini-season weekend (November 10-12) will be made available next week. We will be sending updated information for the second weekend next week. If you have any questions or comments, please email Kelsey ([Kelsey.dick@safmc.net](mailto:Kelsey.dick@safmc.net)) or Chip ([chip.collier@safmc.net](mailto:chip.collier@safmc.net)).

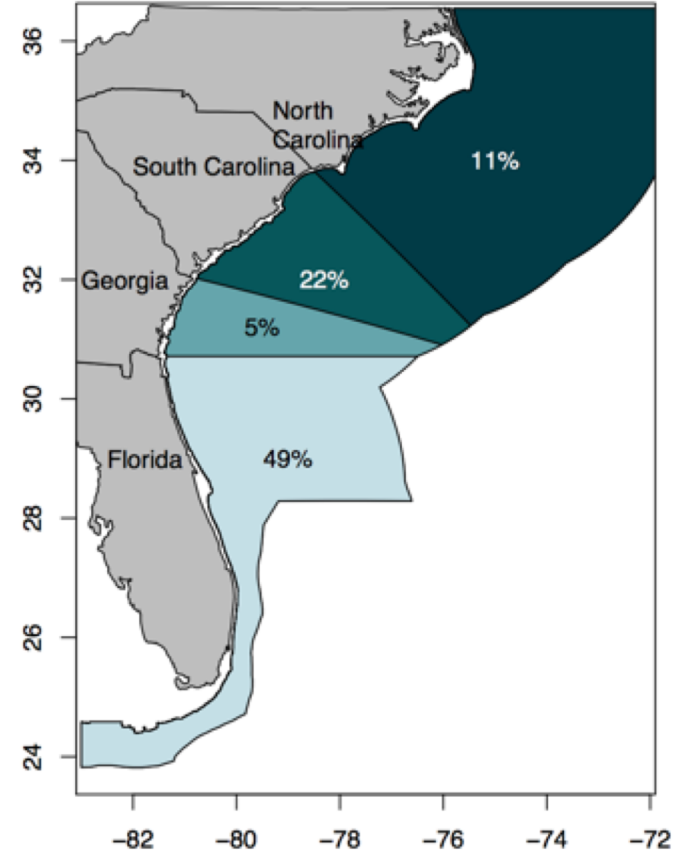
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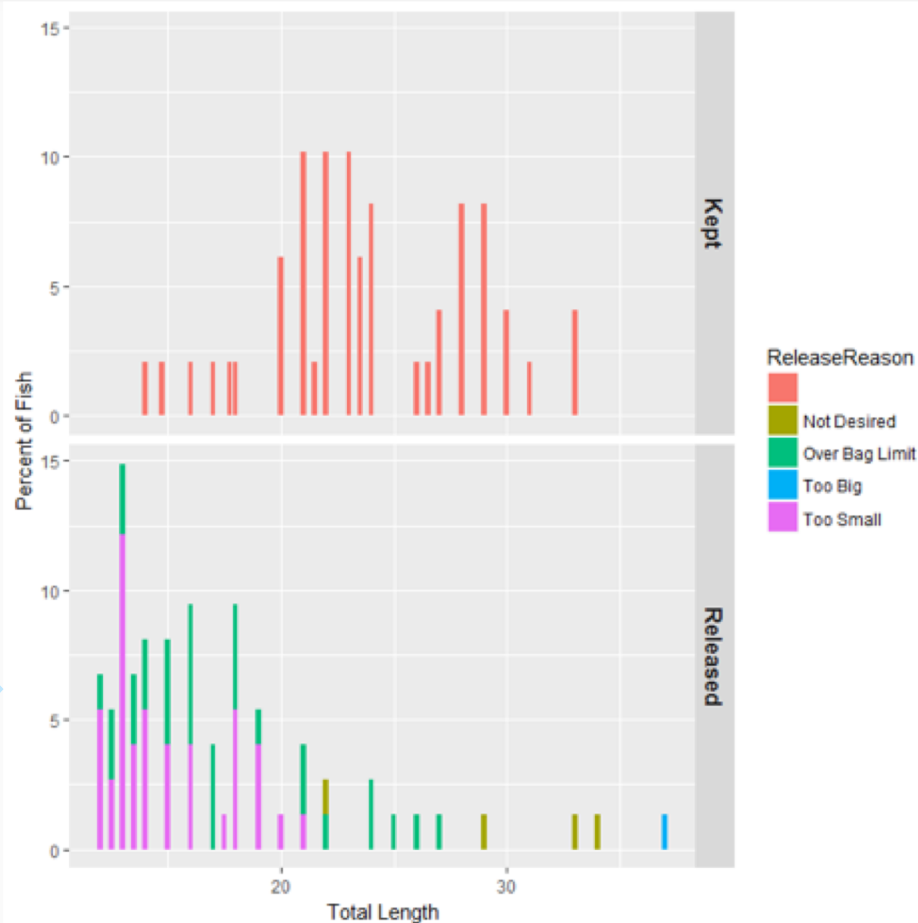
# MyFishCount Preliminary Results

- Over 360 registered users
- Total of 341 trips (completed & abandoned)
- Several abandoned trips due to weather

Trip Status	Number of Trips	Percent
Abandoned	283	83%
Completed	58	17%

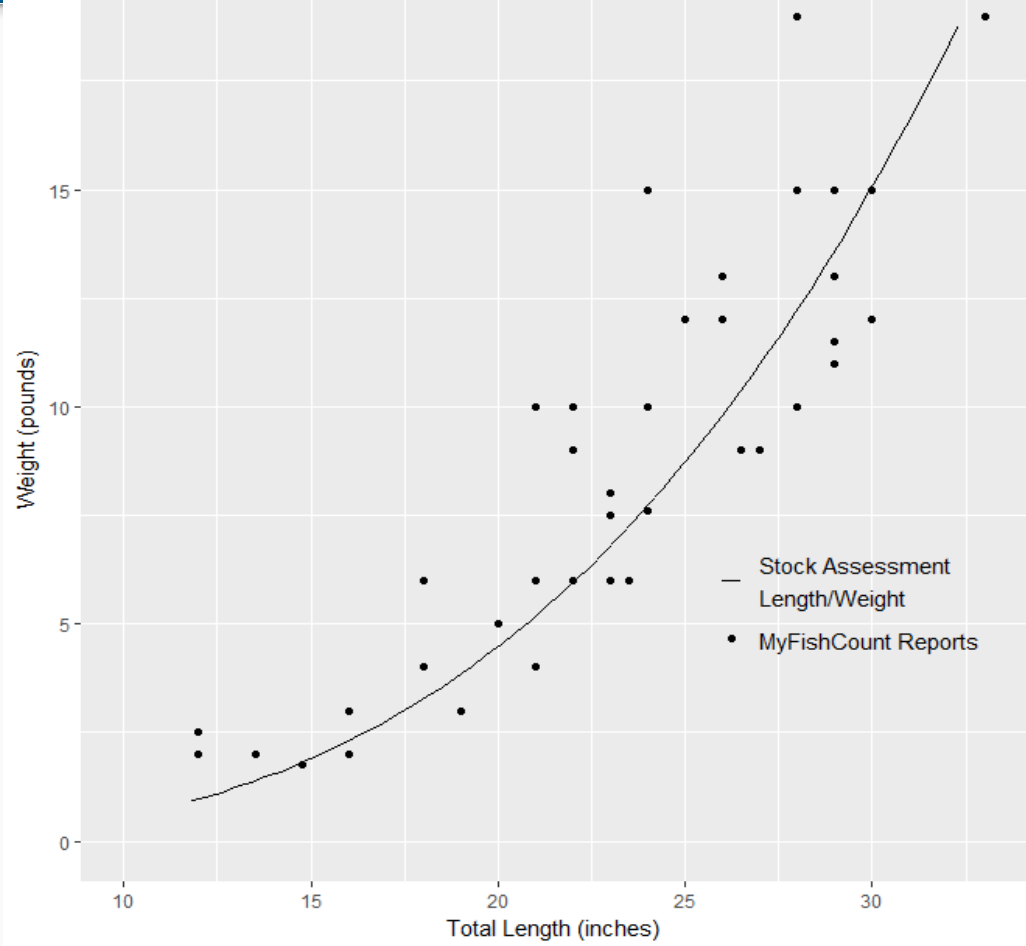


# Kept or Released and Reason for Release



Information not  
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current  
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programs

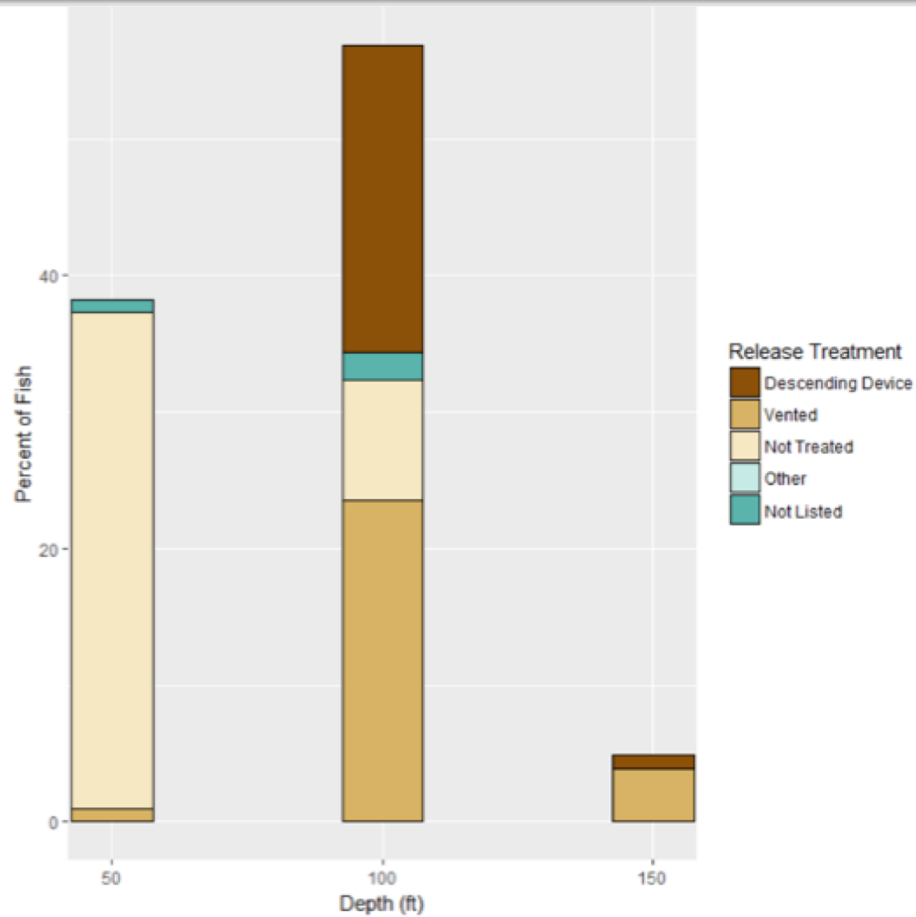
# MyFishCount Compared to Stock Assessment



- Represents individual fish, length and weight of fish reported by angler



# Discard Data



A large, vibrant orange snapper fish is being pulled out of the deep blue ocean. The fish is angled upwards, its mouth open, and a fishing line is visible attached to its mouth. The water is dark blue with some white foam and small fish visible in the background.

# The Future of MyFishCount

- Create an opportunity to report individual catches and trip information.
- Continue to analyze data and revise for pilot project.
- Modify into an app and allow reporting of other species.
- Continue to find new direct uses of data pool.
- Ensure data are acceptable for submission to regional database.

# Thank You!



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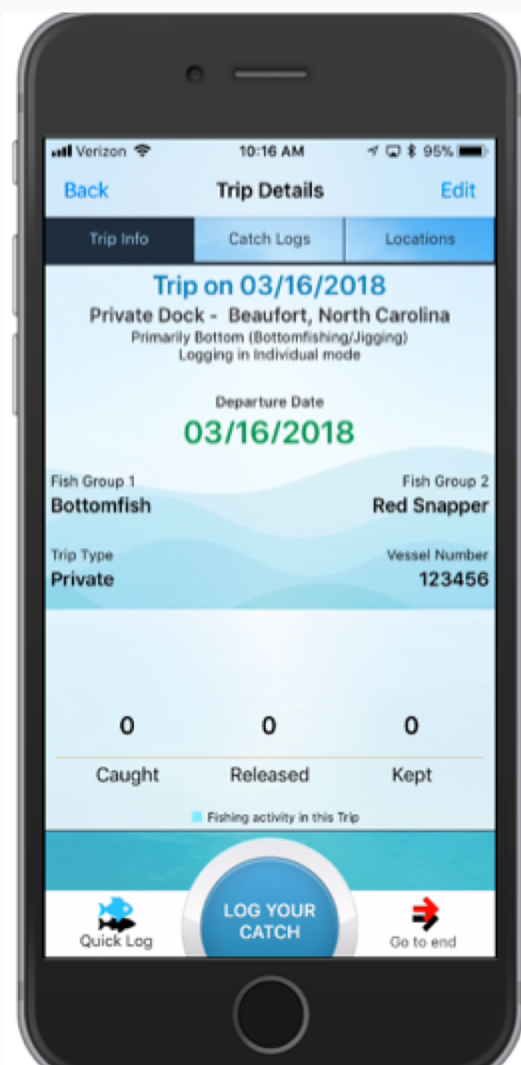
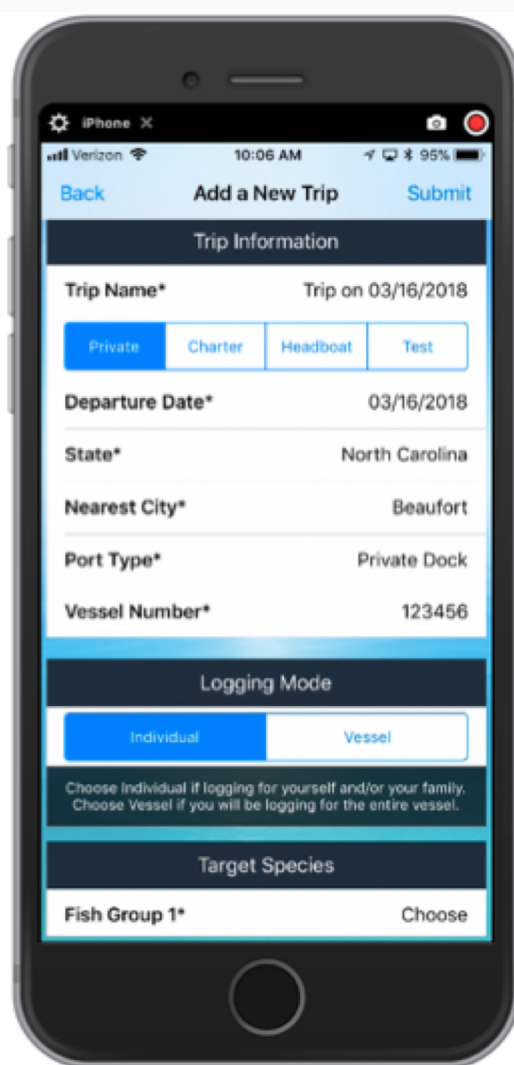
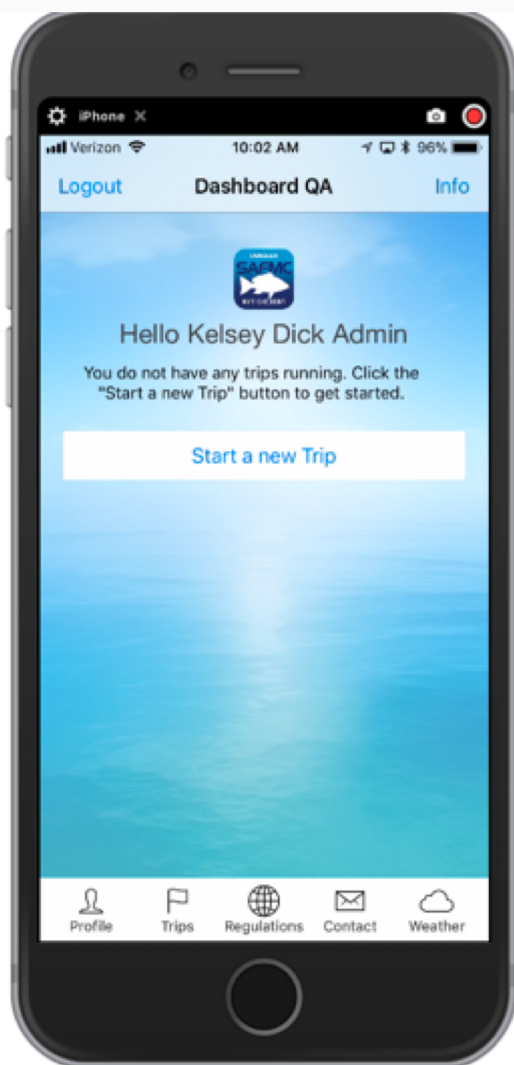


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Back Log a catch Submit

Choose Species

Species\* Snapper, Red >

Please provide a photo for this species.

Fish Information



Click on the picture to view, change or clear it.

Released Kept

Length (in) 14.00

Weight (lbs) 5.00

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Back Log a catch Submit

Location 33.0497, -75.3644 >

Depth Fished (feet) Choose

Hooked At

Jaw Throat Eyes Gill Gut Body

Hook Type Non-offset Circle Hook

Release Information

Release Treatment Descending Device

Release Reason Not Desired

More Information

Catch Date\* 03/16/2018 09:49 AM

Angler\* Kelsey Dick Admin

Comments

Enter any comments Here

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Back Quickly Log a catch Submit

The Quick Log function allows you to quickly log more than one catch at a time. You can add more details about each catch later.

Choose Species

Species\* Triggerfish, Gray >

Choose Quantity

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FISH RELEASED FISH KEPT

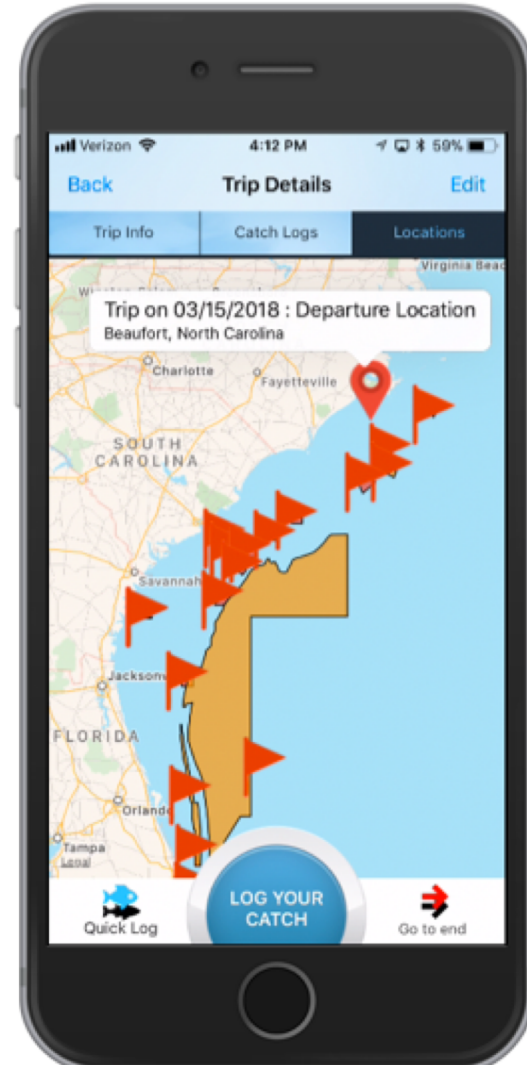
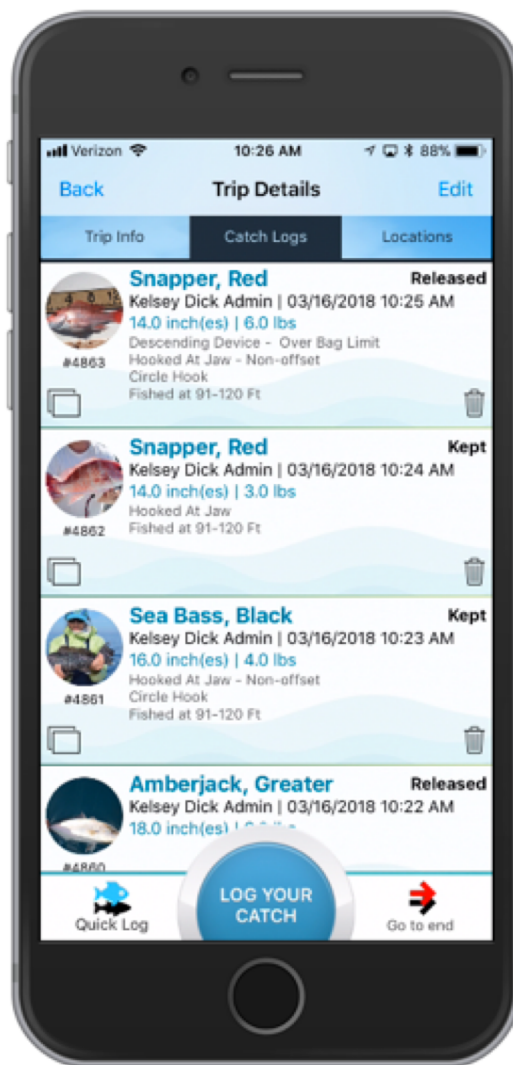
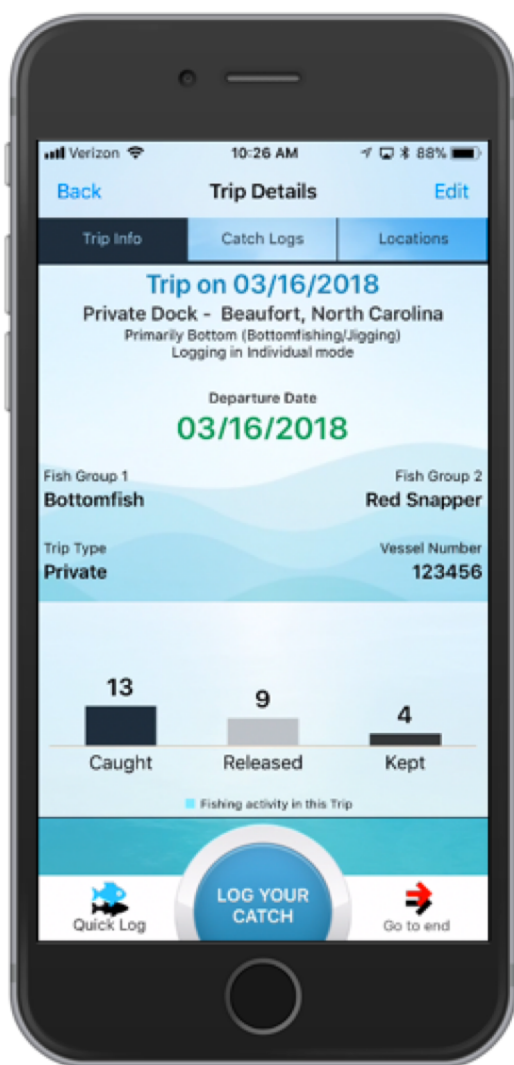
To add fish drag the sliders to the right

Released

Kept

Location >

Submit





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[Back](#) **End Trip** [Submit](#)

Was the trip taken and completed?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Trip completion information

Arrival Date 03/15/2018

Time away from dock Choose

# Anglers Choose

Fish sampled on return?

☒ Yes ☐ No

Percent of time with hooks in water


Choose

Comments

Enter any comments Here

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Hello Kelsey Dick Admin

You do not have any trips running. Click the "Start a new Trip" button to get started.

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