Status of Commercial Electronic Logbook Pilot Project

Southeast Fisheries Science Center
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E-log Project Update: Progress and Timeline

✓ Vendors finalized **pilot** software and delivered to SEFSC late April, early May.

✓ SEFSC finalized infrastructure to receive electronic logbooks for the pilot.
  - ✓ Receipt of e-logbooks based on Secure FTP server set-up by ACCSP

✓ 1st Recruitment of volunteer fishers for Pilot Fleet completed
  - ✓ 10 Fishers/vessel owners (ranging from Galveston to North Carolina)
  - ✓ 13 Vessels testing a variety of gears (e.g., handline, bandit reel, reef LL, pelagic LL, and trap gear in NC sea bass fishery)

2015- Hardware and software installation on-going. Data collection has begun with reports being sent to the Secure FTP.

Infrastructure and software changes **should** be complete by August 1, 2015

E-log Project Update: Vendor Participation

- Vendors committed
  - Electricedge
  - Off-shore lobster
  - ACCSP

- More vendors have expressed interest in developing software, but will not have versions ready in time for pilot launch.

E-log Project Update: Pilot Participants

- Currently committed:
  - 5 South Atlantic
    - 5 from North Carolina

  - 2 HMS
    - 1 South Florida
    - 1 North Carolina

  - 6 Gulf
    - 4 Florida
    - 2 TX

- Gulf Participants have offered a variety of boats and multiple permits, thereby increasing flexibility and opportunities to more efficiently test a number of different gear types.

- Many participants have multiple permit types and use multiple gears.
      i.e., South Atlantic Snapper-Grouper and HMS
      Supports testing multiple gear types and fisheries from same vessels