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Status of Commercial Electronic Logbook Pilot Project

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E-log Project Update: Progress and Timeline

- ✓ Vendors are finalizing software and are set to deliver by the end of February
- ✓ SEFSC finalizing infrastructure to receive electronic logbooks.
 - ✓ Receipt of e-logbooks based on Secure FTP server set-up by ACCSP
- ✓ Recruitment of volunteer fishers for Pilot Fleet completed
 - ✓ 11 Fishers/vessel owners (ranging from Galveston to North Carolina)
 - ✓ 15 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 and pilot data collection will begin as soon as software is delivered to SEFSC (Late Feb-March)

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

E-log Project Update: Vendor Participation

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



- Possible vendor (vessels with specific VMS hardware)
 - CLS America



- 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



- 3 HMS
 - 1 South Florida
 - 1 North Carolina
 - 1 Louisiana



- 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