#### Citizen Science Research Priorities

# Process to update citizen science research priorities



Update SAFMC's Research & Monitoring Plan

Informed by SSC, SEP, APs, SEDARs, and SAFMC



Citizen Science Project Idea Portal

Online form to gather project ideas from the public



Update Citizen Science Research Priorities

Citizen Science Projects
Advisory & Operations
Committees



SAFMC Reviews Updated Research Priorities

Council members review, provide feedback, and consider for adoption



# Citizen Science Project Idea Portal

- Goal: Develop online form to gather citizen science project ideas from stakeholders
- How will the information be used?
  - Compile & consider when citizen science research priorities updated
  - Help connect fishermen and scientists with similar research interests
- What will the Project Portal entail?
  - Online series of questions focus on topics related to research priorities
  - Portal monitored by staff & will include a feedback mechanism
  - Information compiled & considered during next review of research priorities
- When & how long should the tool be deployed?

## CitSci Project Idea Portal Questions

#### General Contact Info

- Name
- Email
- City, State

#### Association with fishery

- Private recreational
- Commercial
- For-hire
- Wholesale / dealer / retail
- Non-governmental organization
- Other (list)

## CitSci Project Idea Portal Questions

#### **Project Details**

- What is the purpose of the project?
- Provide a brief description of the idea (5-7 sentences)
- What research question or data gap would be addressed through this project idea?
- Does the project fit under one or more of the Council's Citizen Science Research Priorities? If not, why should this be considered?
- What is the anticipated outcome of the project and how might the data be used by the Council?
- Have you spoken with a researcher / scientist about your project idea? If so, who?

## CitSci Project Idea Portal Questions

#### Resources Needed

- Who would the target volunteers be for this project? Have you spoken with fishermen about the project that would be willing to volunteer? If so, how many?
- What types of project partners are needed for the project and what would their potential roles in the project be?
- What resources would be needed to complete this project?
- How much time do you think the project would take to complete?
- How much do you think the project would cost?



## **Discussion Questions**

- Do the draft questions cover the information needed?
   Are there questions we should remove or add?
- How often and long should the project portal tool be deployed?
- What feedback should be provided to stakeholders that submit ideas? Are their different options that could be considered based on the resources available?