

**FINAL**  
**Summary of the SAFMC Data Workshop**  
**December 2, 2013**  
**Hilton Wilmington Riverside**  
**Wilmington, NC**

The SAFMC Data Workshop was organized in two separate segments:

**I. Presentations**

1. George LaPointe gave a presentation on Regional Electronic Monitoring and Electronic Reporting Input for NOAA's Policy on Electronic Technologies and Fishery-Dependent Data Collection. The Committee asked questions and provided some general guidance (e.g., having private companies develop monitoring systems in an open competition, live position reporting versus recording and upload later).
2. Dr. Steve Turner gave a presentation on the Commercial Quota Monitoring Program. In answer to a question, Dr. Turner stated that a contractor developed this system and one other project for a total cost of \$185,000 but that annual operating costs are difficult to determine. Currently, 1.5 full-time positions are devoted to this project. Funding has been provided by NMFS HQ from the Statistics line item.
3. Mike Cahall gave an overview of the history and projected activity of ACCSP.

**II. Hands-on Individual Sessions**

1. Dr. Mike Larkin, NMFS SERO, walked Council members through the NMFS SERO MPA Decision Tool. Understanding this tool will be helpful in discussions about Snapper Grouper Regulatory Amendment 17 (MPAs).
2. Roger Pugliese, Council Staff, walked Council members through the Council Information Management System (IMS). Information in the IMS will be helpful in Regulatory Amendment 17 (MPAs) discussions.

No motions were made.