

#### **NOAA** FISHERIES

## Southeast For-Hire Integrated Electronic Reporting:

# June 2020 Update

### South Atlantic and Gulf Reporting Program

- Applies to all southeast federally permitted charter and headboats regardless of where they are fishing
- Requirements (applicable permit holders)
  - Trip-level logbooks (Gulf and South Atlantic)
  - Hail-out prior to leaving on any trip (Gulf)
  - Location tracking device (Gulf)
- Vessels with both permits
  - Must follow Gulf requirement regardless of where they are fishing





#### **Projected Implementation Timeline**

Final Rule Published February 24

Timing dependent on hardware and software development and approval SA Final Rule Effective Date September 1

Outreach

**Summer 2020** 

Gulf in 2 phases: (1) Hail-out and Logbooks and (2) Location Devices



#### What have we accomplished?

- Logbooks (Gulf and South Atlantic)/Hailout (Gulf)
  - Software tech specs and approval process posted
  - We are currently testing eTrips and VESL software
  - Data warehouse data security audit complete, approval in process
- Location Devices (Gulf)
  - Tech specs out to VMS vendors
  - Some satellite-based units (traditional VMS) should be approved quickly
  - Final rule for archivable units (cellular-based VMS) approval process



#### **Outreach and More Information**

- Customer support
  - Letters, Info packets will be mailed to all permit holders
  - Planning outreach sessions
  - Phone line (833-707-1632) and email ser.electronicreporting@noaa.gov
- Website <u>https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/southeast/southeast-</u> <u>electronic-reporting-technologies</u>
- Instructional videos are being developed with Council support
- We are currently hiring new staff and contractors customer service, QA/QC, and VMS