



South Atlantic Fishery Management Council **Citizen Science Program** **Activities Update**



SAFMC Meeting

December 2019



SAFMC Citizen Science Program

Mission Statement:

“Improve information for fisheries management through collaborative science”

GOAL 1: Design, implement, and sustain a program framework to guide the development of projects that support fishery management decision making.

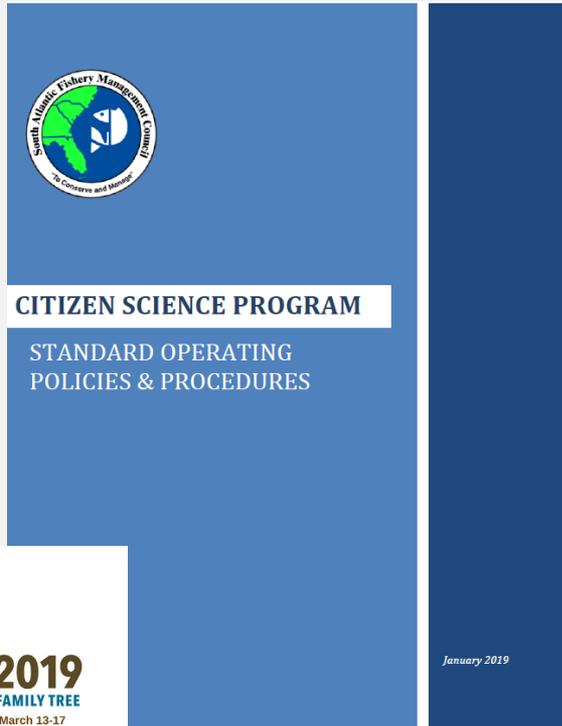
GOAL 2: Facilitate development of individual projects to address specific research priorities.

GOAL 3: Ensure data collected are accessible, robust, and fit for purpose.

GOAL 4: Build partnerships that foster mutual learning, collaboration, and programmatic support.

GOAL 5: Inspire active engagement through communication about purposes, processes, and impacts.

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Cit Sci SOPPS Adopted – Dec 2018 / Jan 2019

Program Manager Transition – Spring 2019

CitSci 2019 Conference – March 2019

- *SAFMC Team led Symposium highlighting efforts to develop Program*
- *Participated in Problem Driven Citizen Science Session*

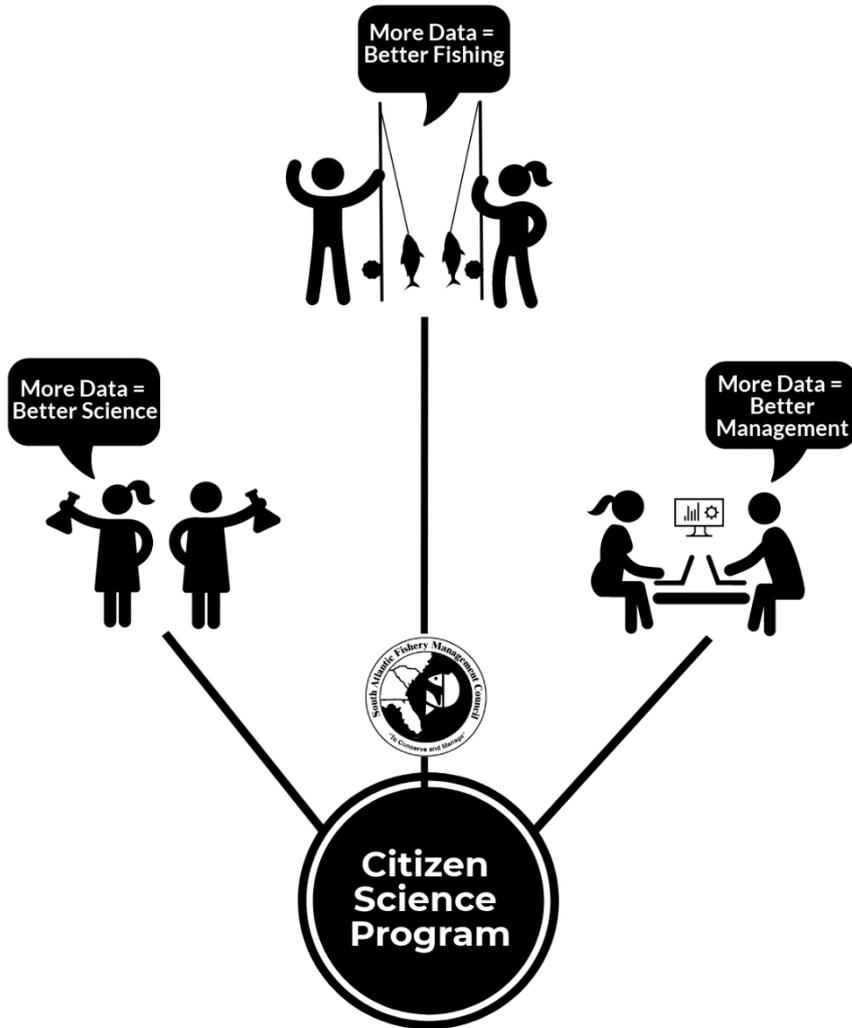
Formation of CitSci Projects Advisory Committee – Summer 2019

Bioscience manuscript, Bonney et al. – submitted Summer 2019

Cit Sci Research Priorities Update – Summer/Fall 2019

- *Use process developed by A-teams*
- *CitSci Committee review – Dec 2019*

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Program & Project Evaluation

- *Working with Rick Bonney & Operations Committee*

CitSci Advisory Panel & Committee Meetings

- *Oct 2019: Projects Advisory Committee*
- *Oct 2019: Operations Committee*
- *Dec 2019: SAFMC CitSci Committee; updates provided at other meetings*

Presentations

- *Spring 2019: I & E, Mackerel/Cobia, Snapper Grouper, Habitat APs*
- *May 2019: CCC meeting*
- *June 2019: Panel for Federal Community of Crowdsourcing & CitSci meeting*
- *Fall 2019: Mackerel/Cobia, Snapper Grouper, Habitat APs*
- *Nov 2019: SCMEA Conference*

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Program Promotion and Outreach Events

- *July 2019: CitSci Program featured at SAFMC's ICAST booth*
- *Oct 2019: GA CoastFest*
- *Nov 2019: NC Fishing Industry Summit*

Program Outreach

- *CitSci Brochure*
- *CitSci Corner in SAFMC quarterly newsletters*
- *#CitSciFri*
- *Email distribution list*
- *Annual Report*

