MyFishCount Update (Chip Collier and Bebe Dalton Harrison; June 14, 2019 Council Briefing)

Users/Member Profiles: 977 (increase of 115 since last Council meeting)

Trips: 817 vessels (increase of 78 since last meeting. This includes trips logged as individual and

vessel.)

Fish: 2,709 fish **Promotion:**

The app and web portal are continuing to be promoted. Spring 2019 webinar trainings were conducted around the start of the shallow-water grouper season. in the process of being conducted to educate anglers about the project and how to use the app. Webinar dates and number of attendees are listed below. The project is also being promoted through the South Carolina Wildlife Federations BREP Grant for Best Fishing Practices.

MyFishCount Webinar Dates:

April 30 (10 people)

May 1 (0 people)

Shiny App:

The shiny app has been developed and the domain is completed (data.safmc.net/MyFishCount). The app is accessible through the SAFMC MyFishCount website. The shiny app allows anglers to access information collected through MyFishCount including most common species reported, catch information, trip information, length data, and effort. In addition to information reported through MyFishCount, the shiny app also includes snapper grouper species life history information and data for select species.

Working with South Carolina Wildlife Federation to support data collection:

Staff have been working with the South Carolina Wildlife Federation to support data collection on fishermen using best fishing practices. As part of the SCWF tutorial, SCWF asks fishermen report their treatment of released fish. Staff will provide aggregated data on best fishing practices usage for fishermen involved with the SCWF program. Click to view the Best Fishing Practices Tutorial Dates:

April 3 (25 people)

May 21 (35 people)

Data:

We are cleaning the data in order to analyze reported information. From this information, we can gather insights and trends about angler self-reported data.

ACCSP API:

ACCSP and the developers Elemental Methods worked together and finished development of the API. The information has been mapped and we are now working to be able to store the data with ACCSP and the process in which information would be submitted. The API is now complete and data can be sent to access after review by <u>SAFMC</u> staff.