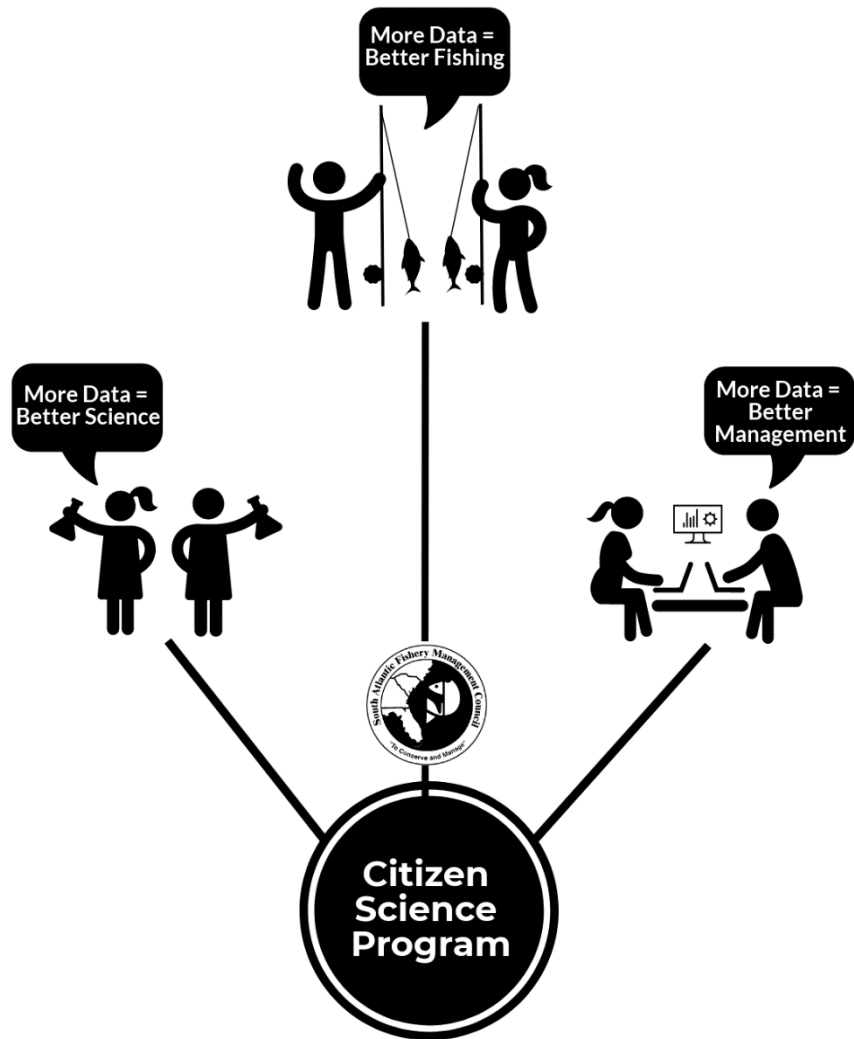# *South Atlantic Fishery Management Council*
Citizen Science Program Update

June 2019

SAFMC Meeting

Activities 2019

Program Manager Transition

- *Julia Byrd*

CitSci 2019 Conference

- *SAFMC Team lead Symposium highlighting efforts to develop Program*

Cit Sci Research Priorities Update

Projects

- *Pilot project to address scamp discards*

- *FISHstory pilot project to document historic catch and length estimates from historic for-hire photos*

- *Collaborator on TNC project in Gray's Reef National Marine Sanctuary*

Continue Partnership Development

SAFMC
Cit Sci Pilot Project:
Scamp Release

Engagement: Work with fishermen and scientists to design a project to collect supplementary data on scamp discards using a mobile app

Data: discard data (length, depth, images)

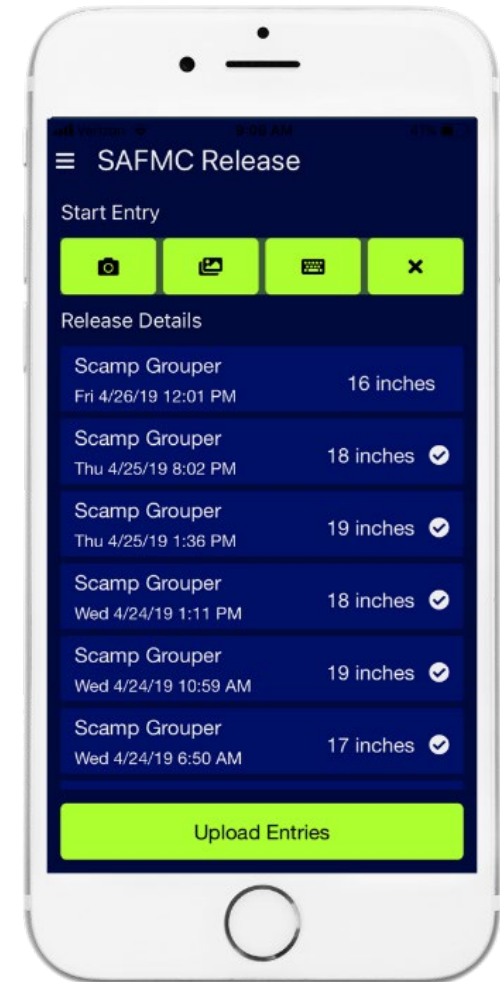**Use**: consideration for use in 2020 stock assessment

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SAFMC Release

Project Update

- **Wrapping up testing & incorporation of feedback from evaluation version of app**

- **Developing project webpage & training materials**

- **Recruiting fishermen from all sectors to participate in project**

- **Production app will launch later this Spring**

Project FISHstory

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DAYTONA BEACH CAUGHT AT INLET HARBOR

Documenting historic catch and length estimates from historical photos in the for-hire sector using electronic data collection and imagery analysis platforms and crowdsourcing approaches.

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Project Update:

- Scanning underway for remaining historic photos

- Working to hire part-time project coordinator

- Zooniverse platform and training materials will be developed Summer/Fall 2019

- Recruiting species ID experts for validation team

Keep Up with Projects & the Program!

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