



# Atlantic Coastal Cooperative Statistics Program (ACCSP) Coordinating Council Meeting

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# Program Update

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# Program Update: SAFIS



- **SAFIS**

- System running with no issues
- Numerous pilots running
  - MA eTrips/Mobile in the For-Hire Sector
  - SAFMC eTrips/Mobile in the For-Hire Sector
  - SC For-Hire electronic trip reporting validation
  - GA eDR/Mobile reporting
- Redesign
  - Funding for redesign awarded from FIS
  - Integrated reporting workshop



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# Program Update: SAFIS



- **Council Initiatives**

- **Mid-Atlantic Council**

- **Mandatory Electronic For-Hire Reporting**

- All MAFMC managed species
      - eTrips/M most likely to be used

- **Mandatory electronic private angler reporting**

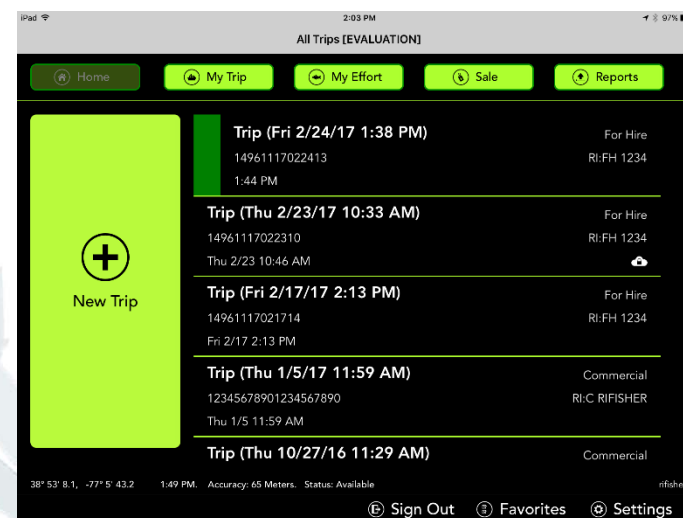
- Tilefish

- **South Atlantic Council**

- **Mandatory Electronic For-Hire Reporting**

- **Electronic private angler reporting to be piloted**

- Snapper/Grouper
      - Cobia



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# Program Update: Data Warehouse



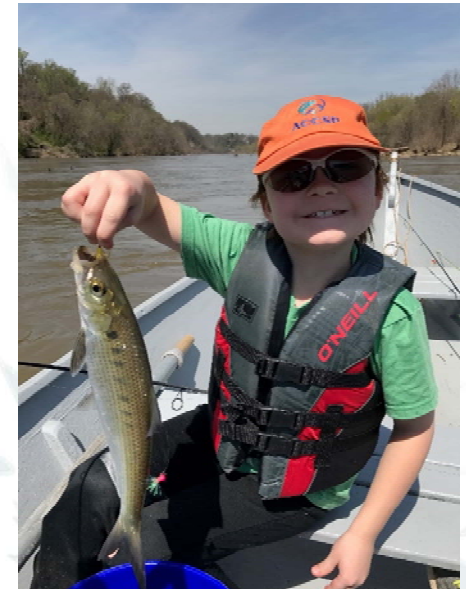
- **Data Warehouse**
  - New query interface released
    - Tweaks still being made to the non-confidential interface
  - Preliminary 2016 Data loaded
  - New server purchased and installed
    - Expect to go on-line early June

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# Program Update: APAIS Update



- Wave 1 data and report delivered
- Wave 2 completed in field; ACCSP processing data now
- Wave 3 data collection just started and on track
- SEAS (Socio-economic) data collection going smoothly
  - Response rate higher than anticipated
- State becoming more familiar with processes
  - Seasonal staff hired and trained
  - Performing survey monitoring and maintenance
  - Site Registry and Vessel Directory updates
  - QC visits and state staff meetings



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# Program Update: For-Hire Update



- **Clarified for-hire sampling procedures**
  - Vessel sampling frame
  - Headboat assignments
- **For-Hire participation in MRIP surveys**
  - 2016 response rates improved over 2013-2015
  - Developing ACCSP/MRIP coordinated outreach campaign– including handouts and incentives– to improve response rates
  - Improve vessel directory by States building relationships with captains and expanding vessel directory to distribute sampling.
- **Council logbook initiatives**
  - Included in MRIP implementation plan

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# Program Update: GARFO Collaboration



- **Visioning Process**
  - Planning continues
  - Bi-weekly coordination call
- **Universal Trip Identifier**
  - Contractor on site
  - Will be hosted at ACCSP
- **Data Warehouse**
  - GARFO contractor on site
  - Developing unified requirements

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# Questions?

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# Committee Updates

Pat Campfield  
Operations Committee Chair

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# Committee Update: Operations Committee



- Spring call occurred April 13<sup>th</sup>
- RFP Workgroup recommendations
- Reviewed FY16 New Proposals
  - All projects underway, delay in transfer of funds caused some need for no-cost extensions

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# Committee Update: Advisory Committee



- **Held Spring Advisors Call on April 20<sup>th</sup>**
- **Developed and approved materials for new advisors**
- **RFP Workgroup recommendations**
- **Added two New Jersey advisors to the committee**
- **Recruiting additional members, notably four states without representatives: NC, NY, MA, ME**

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# Committee Update: Biological Review Panel



- **Met in February**
- **Completed update to Biological Priority Matrix**
- **Elected new Chair and Vice Chair**
- **Resilience Factor Project proceeding well**
- **Conversion Factor Project work to begin when Commercial Technical Committee finalizes report**
- **Created memo for Operations Committee**
  - Outlined guidelines for data collection proposals in order to meet the ‘Biological’ module and scoring criteria
- **Biological Sampling Program Inventory Application**
  - In development and will be available publicly on the ACCSP website

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# Committee Update: Bycatch Prioritization Committee



- **Met in February**
- **Bycatch Prioritization Matrix completed and submitted**
- **Elected new Chair and Vice-chair**
  - Chair: Mike Errigo (SAFMC)
  - Vice-Chair Jacob Boyd (NC)
- **New Metadata Tab on Bycatch Matrix explaining current data sources**
- **Created memo for Operations Committee**
  - Outlined concerns with Bycatch Matrix and additional fleet suggestions for ranking

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# Committee Update: Commercial Technical Committee



## Annual meeting held on April 4<sup>th</sup>:

- **New Data Warehouse went live in Nov 2016!**
  - Compiling list for first round of enhancements
  - Working to further improve display of non-confidential data to the Public
- **Swipe Card program standard**
  - Released swipe programs for MA and ME in Fall 2016
  - ME program expanding to scallop for 2017-2018 season
  - Working with Partners to develop Program Standard
- **SAFIS Redesign, and Integrated Reporting**
  - Tom Hoopes developed requirements for redesign in Fall 2016
  - Database structure and data transfer processes to be documented this summer and begin development in 2018
  - New design to incorporate Integrated Reporting and Universal Trip IDs
  - Integrated Reporting Workshop scheduled for tomorrow

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# Committee Update: Recreational Technical Committee



- **Conference Call May 3, 2017:**
  - Reviewed Draft MRIP Implementation Plan
    - Committee to update priorities in next few weeks
    - Subcommittee to make drafting updates
    - Request leadership input via RTC member now, will come to Council before submission to MRIP
  - Invited comment on MRIP Strategic Plan 2017-2022
  - Updating Recreational Priorities for ACCSP funding process
  - Planning summer meeting

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# Committee Update: Standard Codes



- **Addressed Items**

- Duplicate Hand Line Codes: Remove codes 330, 331 and 340 and continue to use codes 700, 701, 702 - **APPROVED**
- Update ACCSP Name - **APPROVED**
  - 169554 ANGELFISHES → BUTTERFLYFISHES
  - 553237 ANGELFISH → ANGELFISHES
- Addition of forage species and species groups to SAFIS species table - **APPROVED**

- **Pending Items**

- Seized by Law Enforcement will be a disposition category instead of a single disposition with individual codes to indicate Food, Bait, etc.
- Review of gear attribute standards

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# FY2018 Request for Proposals (RFP)

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Operations Committee Chair

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# RFP Workgroup Recommendations



## 1. Module Reprioritization Options

- I. Status Quo
- II. All modules equal (Max score of 8) – RFP Workgroup Recommended Option
- III. Modules flipped (Bio/Bycatch 10pts; Catch&Effort, Socioeconomic 8pts)

## Operations Recommendation: Table till FY19

- The committee preferred to discuss this further at their in-person meeting in September
- Of the options given, no consensus
- Concerns with equalizing Bycatch and Social & Economic with Catch & Effort and Biological
  - Is an investment in Bycatch going to have a the long-term effect like Catch and Effort?

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# RFP Workgroup Recommendations



## 2. Maintenance Scoring

- I. Score Maintenance projects utilizing full ranking criteria sheet
- II. Score Maintenance projects based on a condensed scoring approach – RFP Workgroup Recommendation
  - A. Maintenance Ranking (0-10)
    - i. Achieved Goals (3pts)
    - ii. Properly Prepared (1 pt)
    - iii. Data Delivery Plan (2 pts)
    - iv. Merit (3 pts)
    - v. Level of Funding (Decreased (1 pt), Maintain (0pt), Increased (-1 pt))
  - B. Condensed scoring approach only to be used if funding available exceeds total Maintenance funding requested; if funding shortage, return to full standard ranking approach

## Operations Recommendation: Accept RFP Workgroup Recommendation

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# RFP Workgroup Recommendations



- 3. RFP Workgroup recommends consolidating metadata scoring row into the row “Improvement in data quality, quantity and timeliness”. Committee members should include metadata when scoring this row moving forward. Metadata would be replaced by Data Delivery Plan**

**Operations Recommendation: Accept RFP Workgroup Recommendation**

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# RFP Workgroup Recommendations



4. RFP Workgroup recommends that Merit be added as a scoring row (max score of 5) under other factors for Maintenance and New Projects under the standard ranking criteria.

**Operations Recommendation: Accept RFP Workgroup Recommendation**

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Ranking Guide – Maintenance Projects:

Primary Program Priority	Point Range	Description of Ranking Consideration
Catch and Effort	0 – 10	Rank based on range within module and level of sampling defined under Program design. When considering biological, bycatch or recreational funding, rank according to priority matrices.
Biological Sampling	0 – 8	
Bycatch/Species Interactions	0 – 6	
Social and Economic	0 – 4	
Data Delivery Plan	+ 2	Additional points if a data delivery plan to Program is supplied and defined within the proposal.

Project Quality Factors	Point Range	Description of Ranking Consideration
Multi-Partner/Regional impact including broad applications	0 – 5	Rank based on the number of Partners involved in project OR regional scope of proposal (e.g. geographic range of the stock).
> yr 2 contains funding transition plan and/or justification for continuance	0 – 4	Rank based on defined funding transition plan away from Program funding or viable justification for continued Program funding.
In-kind contribution	0 – 4	1 = 1% - 25% 2 = 26% - 50% 3 = 51% - 75% 4 = 76% - 99%
Improvement in data quality/quantity/timeliness	0 – 4	1 = Maintain minimum level of needed data collections  ↓  4 = Improvements in data collection reflecting 100% of related module as defined within the Program design. Metadata is provided and defined within proposal if applicable.
Potential secondary module as a by-product (In program priority order)	0 – 4 0 – 3 0 – 2 0 – 1	Ranked based on additional module data collection and level of collection as defined within the Program design of individual module.
Impact on stock assessment	0 – 3	Rank based on the level of data collection that leads to new or greatly improved stock assessments.

Other Factors	Point Range	Description of Ranking Consideration
Properly Prepared	0 – 5	Meets requirements as specified in funding decision document Step 2b and Guidelines
Merit	0 – 5	Ranked based on subjective worthiness



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**Ranking Guide – Maintenance Projects: (to be used only if funding available exceeds total Maintenance funding requested)**

Ranking Factors	Point Range	Description of Ranking Consideration
Achieved Goals	0 – 3	Proposal indicates project has consistently met previous set goals. Current proposal provides project goals and if applicable, intermediate metrics to achieve overall achieved goals.
Data Delivery Plan	0 – 2	Ranked based if a data delivery plan to Program is supplied and defined within the proposal.
Level of Funding	-1 – 1	-1 = Increased funding from previous year 0 = Maintained funding from previous year 1 = Decreased funding from previous year
Properly Prepared	-1 – 1	-1 = Not properly prepared 1 = Properly prepared
Merit	0 – 3	Ranked based on subjective worthiness

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**Ranking Guide – New Projects:**

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Data Delivery Plan	+ 2	Additional points if a data delivery plan to Program is supplied and defined within the proposal.

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Multi-Partner/Regional impact including broad applications	0 – 5	Rank based on the number of Partners involved in project OR regional scope of proposal (e.g. fisheries sampled).
Contains funding transition plan / Defined end-point	0 – 4	Rank based on quality of funding transition plan or defined end point.
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Impact on stock assessment	0 – 3	Rank based on the level of data collection that leads to new or greatly improved stock assessments.

Other Factors	Point Range	Description of Ranking Consideration
Innovative	0 – 5	Rank based on new technology, methodology, financial savings, etc.
Properly Prepared	0 – 5	Meets requirements as specified in funding decision document Step 2b and Guidelines
Merit	0 – 5	Ranked based on subjective worthiness



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