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# SEFSC Commercial Electronic Logbook Project

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Southeast Fisheries Science Center

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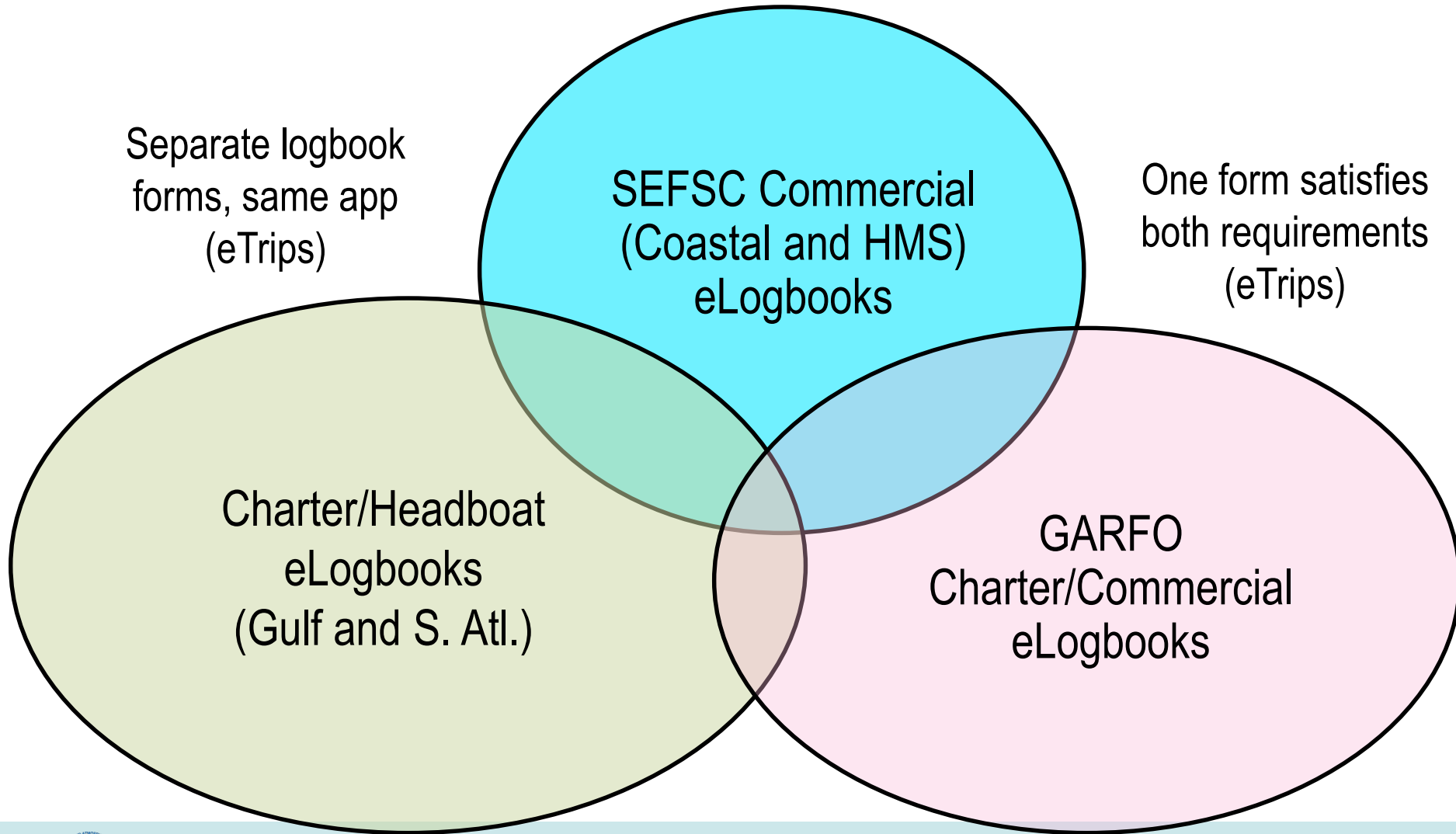
# Purpose

Provide practical, real-time demonstration of eTrips app

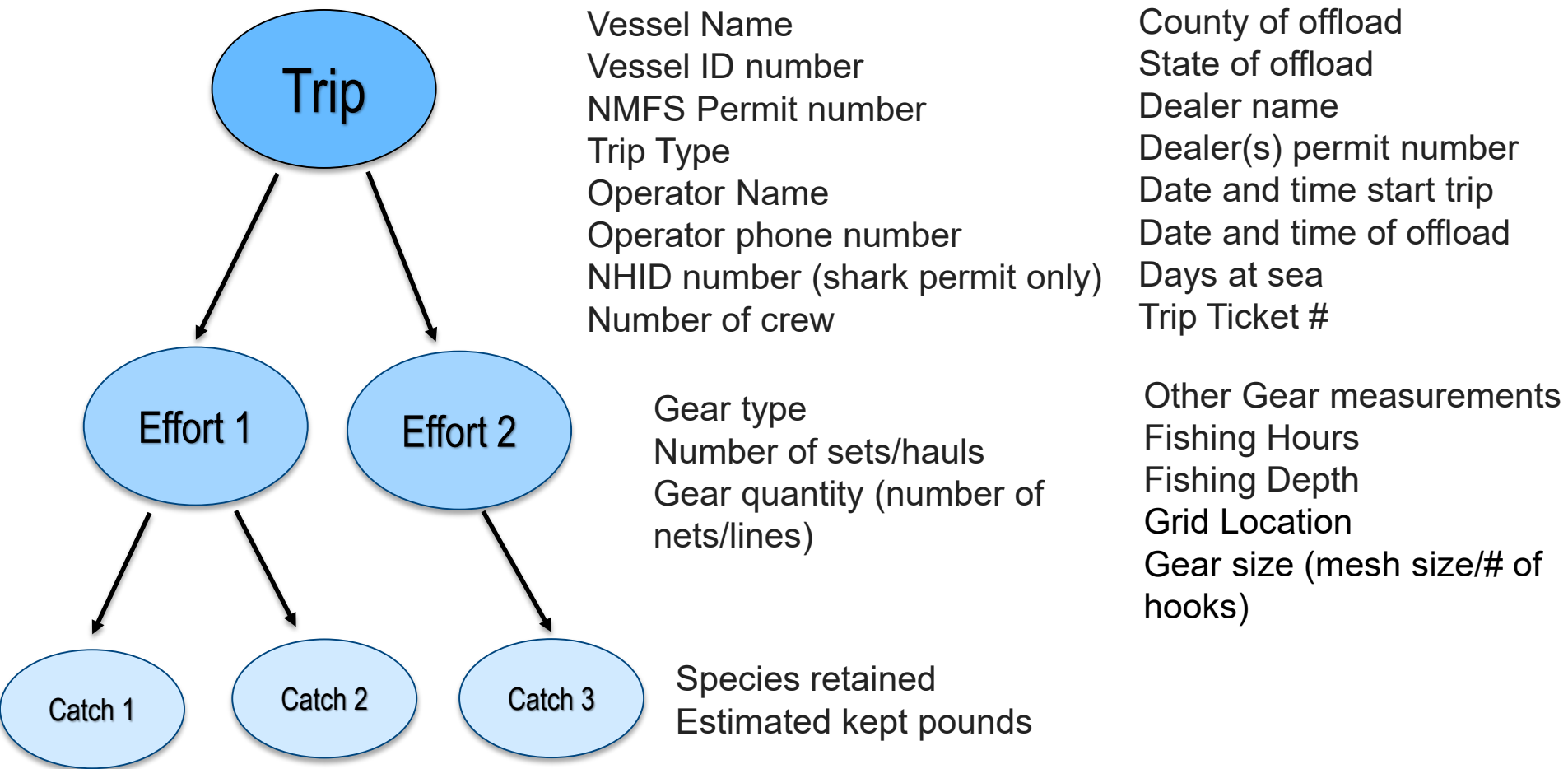
Detail changes involved in transition to eLogbook

Discuss improvements to reporting through switch from paper logbooks

# Must consider the need to accommodate/streamline users participating in multiple Regions



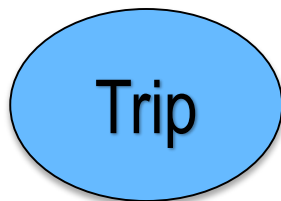
# Paper SEFSC Logbook Trip Reports for all species caught on federally permitted vessels



Effort information required is highly variable depending on the gear and permit. HMS permits must report Lats and Longs for every set, but SE permits report total time fished for the trip.

Electronic Logbook users will have the ability to log multiple fishing events and offload/sale events. \*It does not passively collect location information.

Portion (20%) of fleet asked to report discards and economic survey questions for each trip:



Supplemental Economic Questions:	Owner Aboard?	Cost of Miscellaneous
	Gallons of Fuel Used	Cost of IFQ
Supplemental Discard Questions:	Price of Fuel	Total Revenue for Trip
	Price of Bait	Total Payment for Crew
	Cost of Food	
	Species Discarded	Gear
	Number of Fish	Area
	Estimated Weight	Depth
	Discard Condition	Corresponding Coastal VTR#
	Discard Reason	

## SEFSC Commercial Logbooks

- Coastal (South Atl. and Gulf)

## SEFSC Commercial Surveys

- Discards
- Economic

No Fishing Reports

SEFSC eLogbook



# Comparison of eTrips to paper logbook fields

Paper coastal logbook data fields	Database field name	Notes
Vessel No.	COAST_GUARD_NBR	
Trip Start Date	TRIP_START_DATE	
	TRIP_START_TIME	Necessary to prevent overlapping trip submissions
County of Landing	END_PORT	
	TRIP_END_DATE	Necessary to prevent overlapping trip submissions
	TRIP_END_TIME	Necessary to prevent overlapping trip submissions
	TRIP_TYPE	Necessary to trigger correct questions
No. of Crew	NBR_OF_CREW	
Days at Sea	DAYS_AT_SEA	
Operator Name	LAST_NAME	
Operator Name	FIRST_NAME	
Signature		
Operator Number		
Phone No.		
	ACTIVITY_TYPE	Defaults to "Trip with fishing effort"; Necessary to trigger correct questions
	TRIP_NOTES	<b>Optional, Not transmitted to NMFS</b>



# Comparison of eTrips to paper logbook fields, cont.

22	Area	Waters Fished	
23	Gear	GEAR_CODE	
24	Mesh	MESH_SIZE	
25	# Hooks / # Divers / # Traps / Net Length	GEAR_QUANTITY	
26	# Hauls / Line Length / # Pots	GEAR_SIZE	
27	# Lines / # Hauls	GEAR_SETS	
28	Depth	MAX_BOTTOM_DEPTH	
29	Net Depth	HEIGHT_OF_NET	
31	Total Hrs Fished	FISHING_HOURS	
32		HOURS_DAYS	Defaults to "hours"; Added data field to be compatible with ACCSP database
33	Species Name	COMMON_NAME	
34	Gutted-lbs / Whole-lbs	REPORTED_QUANTITY	
35		UNIT_MEASURE	Defaults to "pounds"; Added data field to be compatible with ACCSP database
36		DISPOSITION_CAT_DESC	Defaults to "Food"; Replaces the need for separate Discard Logbook
37		SALE_DISPOSITION_DESC	Defaults to "Sold to Dealer"; Added data field to be compatible with ACCSP database
38	County or Parish, State	OFFLOAD_PORT	
39	Trip Unload Date	OFFLOAD_DATE	
40	SE Federal Dealer Number	DEALER_PERMIT_ID	
42	State Trip Ticket No.		

43	Economic survey data fields (mandatory if selected) Database field name (note: cells highlighted in red)	
44	Owner Operated?	OWNER_ABOARD
45	Gallons of Fuel	FUEL_GALLONS
46	Price per Gallon	FUEL_GALLONS_PRICE
47	Bait Expense	COST_BAIT
48	Ice Expense	COST_ICE
49	Grocery Expense	COST_FOOD
50	Misc. Trip Expenses	COST_MISC
51	IFQ Allocation Purchased	COST_IFQ
52	Has payment for your catch been determined?	
53	Trip Sales (Revenue)	REVENUE_TOTAL
54	Expense for hired crew & hired captain	PAY_TO_CAPT_CREW





## eTrips Favorites Feature

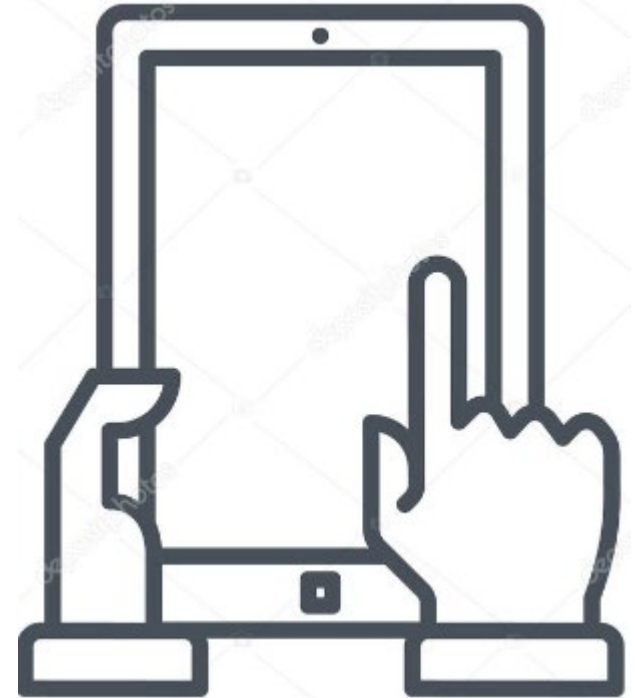
Most information in eTrips will be entered or selected from a drop down list. Favorites can be set up for most drop down lists

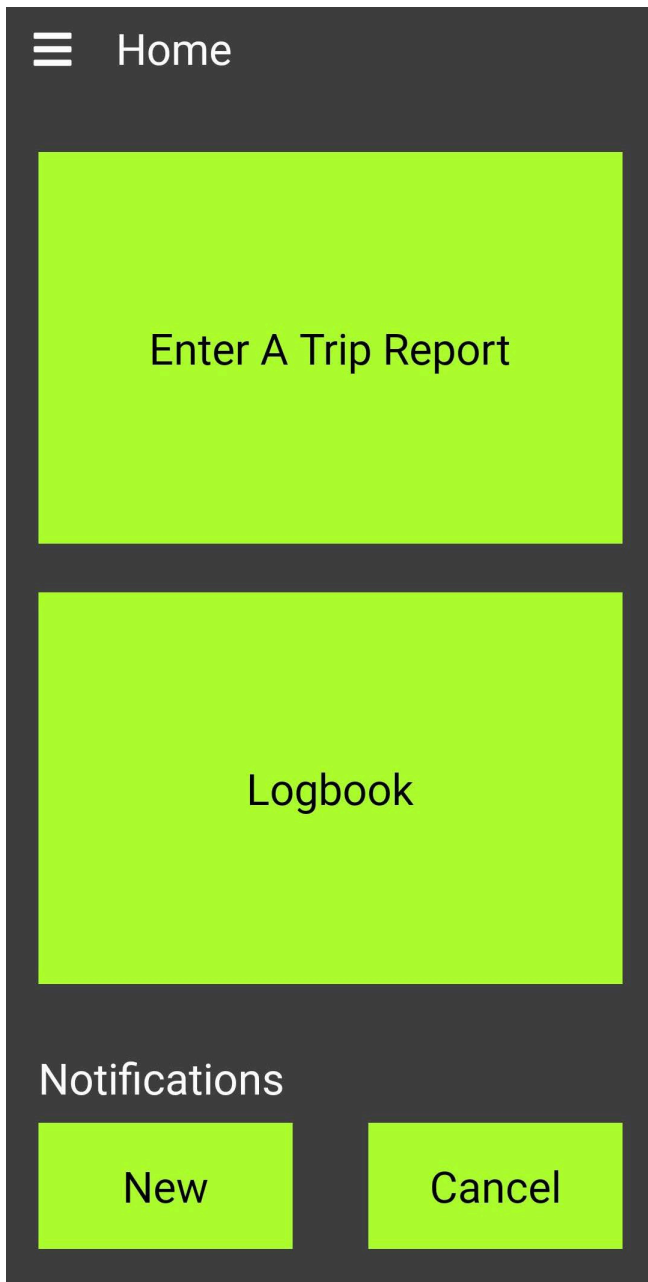
The image shows two side-by-side screenshots of the eTrips application interface. The left screenshot, titled "Select Category", features a dark grey background with a light blue header. It lists several categories: Species, Areas Fished, Ports, Gears, Dispositions, Vessels, Dealers, and Licenses, each with a horizontal line below it. A blue "CANCEL" button is at the bottom. The right screenshot, titled "Select Favorites", has a dark grey background with a light blue header and a back arrow. It shows a "Category" dropdown menu with "Species" selected. Below it is a "Permit" dropdown menu with "(NMFS-SER) DUMMY\_SEFSC\_OPR (Operator)" selected. A search bar contains the text "GROUPER" and a magnifying glass icon. To the right of the search bar is a blue refresh button. Below the search bar is a list of search results: "GROUPER, NASSAU", "★ GROUPER, RED", "★ GROUPER, SCAMP", "GROUPER, SNOWY", and "GROUPER, TIGER".

# eTrips runs on:

- Cellphone – wifi or cell service
- Tablet – wifi or cell service
- Laptop computer – wifi or internet
- Desktop computer – wifi or internet

\* Reporters may choose whichever option best suits their needs





# eTrips App demonstration: Real-time data entry of a trip report

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Vessel Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Vessel No.: 

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Operator Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
please print

Operator Number: 

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(if known)

### Trip Type

Commercial

Charter

Headboat

Recreational

### Trip Details

Trip Type Commercial

Vessel NMFSS TEST BOAT

Trip Name

VTR # 99999922092314

Trip Activity

Fishing Trip With Efforts

Captain's Last Name

Last name of the captain on this trip.

DOE

Captain's First Name

First name of the captain on this trip.

JANE

### Vessel

Search...



Many vessels have similar names. NOAA requests you search by the vessel's Coast Guard or State registration number to ensure you select your vessel.

NMFSS TEST BOAT

State Reg

Coast Guard 999999

Fed Permit NMFS-SER 999999

DUAL-PERMIT FED TEST VESSEL

State Reg

Coast Guard 8877991

Fed Permit NMFS-NER 555555, NMFS-SER 555555

CANCEL

only!

OMB Control No. 0648-0018  
Expiration Date: 12/31/2020

Schedule No. *NMFS Use Only*

County or Parish: \_\_\_\_\_ State:

Days at Sea:  No. of Crew:

**End Port**

Search...

FL > MIAMI-DADE > DADE (COUNTY)

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FL > MIAMI-DADE > MIAMI

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FL > MONROE > KEY WEST

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FL > MONROE > MONROE(COUNTY)

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FL > PINELLAS > PINELLAS (COUNTY)

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**CANCEL**

**Create New Trip**

**Trip Details**

**Days at Sea**  
Number of whole days that have passed from the start of the trip to the return to the dock

**3**

**# of Crew**  
Number of crew (including the captain) on each trip

**2**

**Trip Expense Section**  
NOTE: This section is only mandatory if you received separate notification that your vessel was selected to report economic data this calendar year.

**NO. YOU CAN LEAVE THE QUESTIONS BELOW BLANK.**

☰ ← Create New Trip

### Effort Details

Location  
28° 31', -85° 13'

Primary Area Fished  
Federal Waters

Waters Fished  
FL 008 - 0000

### Effort Location

28° 31', -85° 13'

☰ ← Create New Trip

### Effort Details

Gear Type  
ELECTRIC/HYDRAULIC, BANDIT REELS

Maximum Bottom Depth  
Deepest bottom depth where fishing occurred, in feet.  
110

Comments  
Comments or uncoded data

CANCEL

	Species Name	Code	Gutted-lbs	Whole-lbs	Gear	Area	Depth
P O R G Y	Jolthead	3312	#	#			
	Knobbed	3308	#	#			
	Red	3302	#	#			
	Whitebone	3306	#	#			

### Trip Start Date

Fri 9/23/2022

< Sep 2022 >

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	

CANCEL OK

### Trip Start Time

6:00 AM

HOUR MINUTES

AM PM

CANCEL OK

### Create New Trip

#### Start Your Trip

Trip Start Date  
Sat 9/17/2022

Trip Start Time  
6:00 AM

Trip End Date  
Tue 9/20/2022

Trip End Time  
6:30 PM

Effort Length  
 Hours

Hours fished in effort

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☰ ← Create New Trip

Effort Details

Gear Type  
**ELECTRIC/HYDRAULIC,  
 BANDIT REELS**

Gear Quantity  
 # of Hooks per Line

2

Gear Sets  
 # of lines

3

Maximum Bottom Depth  
 Deepest bottom depth where fishing occurred,  
 in feet.

110

	Species Name	Code	Gutted-lbs	Whole-lbs	Gear	Area	Depth
P O R T Y	Jolthead	3312	#	#			
	Knobbed	3308	#	#			
	Red	3302	#	#			
	Whitebone	3306	#	#			

**GEAR SECTION: See Instructions on Page 2.**

Traps ( T )		Longline(L) <input type="checkbox"/> PLL	Gill Net <input type="checkbox"/> Drift <input type="checkbox"/> Anchor
<input type="checkbox"/> Fish <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Bottom <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> (GN)	<input type="checkbox"/> Strike <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Total # Trap Hauls	# Sets	# Sets	
# Traps Used	# Hooks per Line	Length (yards)	
Trap Soak Time (hrs)	Set Soak Time (hrs)	Depth (yards)	
Total Soak Time (hrs)	Total Soak Time (hrs)	Set Soak Time (hrs)	
Mesh:		Length (miles)	Mesh:
<input type="checkbox"/> x <input type="checkbox"/> / <input type="checkbox"/> x <input type="checkbox"/>			

Hook & Line	<input type="checkbox"/> (H) <input type="checkbox"/> (E) <input type="checkbox"/> (TR) <input type="checkbox"/> (B)	Divers <input type="checkbox"/> (S) <input type="checkbox"/> (P)	Other Gear (O)
	Hand Bandit Trolling Buoy	Spear Power	
# Lines		# of Divers	Type
# Hooks per Line		Total Hrs Fished	Total Hrs Fished
Total Hrs Fished		SE VTR #:	<b>R20100001</b>

# ☰ Catches

Effort 1 (ELECTRIC/HYDRAULIC, BANDIT REELS)

NEW

SUMMARY

## ☰ ← GROUPEL, RED

Quantity

223

Unit Of Measure

Pounds

Catch Disposition

General : Food

Catch Source

Standard

Market / Grade

UNCLASSIFIED / UNGRADED

Offload

Add to an existing Offload...

+  
NEW

Search...

DOLPHINFISH

GROUPEL, RED

MACKEREL, KING

MACKEREL, SPANISH

PORGY, JOLTHEAD

PORGY, KNOBBED

+ CATCH

EFFORT

OFFLOADS



25° 45', -80° 15' @12:30 PM (5 meters)

Commercial

Species Name	Code	Gutted-lbs	Whole-lbs	Species Name	Code	Gutted-lbs	Whole-lbs
Amberjack-Great	1812	#	#	Jolthead	3312	#	#
Amberjack-Lesser	1815	#	#	Knobbed	3308	#	#
Almaco	1810	#	#	Red	3302	#	#
Banded Rudder	1817	#	#	Whitebone	3306	#	#
Crevalle	0870	#	#	Blacknose	3485	#	#
Cobia	0570	#	#	Blacktip	3495	#	#
Dolphin Fish	1050	#	#	Bonnethead	3483	#	#
Black	1422	#	#	Bull	3497	#	#
Gag	1423	#	#	Dogfish, Smth	3511	#	#
Warsaw	4740	#	#	Finetooth	3481	#	#
Red	1416	#	#	Lemon	3517	#	#
Scamp	1424	#	#	Sandbar	3513	#	#
Snowy	1414	#	#	Sharpnose, Atl	3518	#	#
Yellowedge	1415	#	#	Blackfin	3757	#	#
Yellowfin	1426	#	#	Lane	3761	#	#
Hind, Red	1413	#	#	Mangrove	3762	#	#
Hind, Rock	1412	#	#	Mutton	3763	#	#
Hind, Speckled	1411	#	#	Queen	3770	#	#
Bluestriped	1444	#	#	Red	3764	#	#
French	1445	#	#	Silk/Yelloweye	3758	#	#
White	1441	#	#	Vermillion	3765	#	#
Margate	1442	#	#	Yellowtail	3767	#	#
Margate, Black	1443	#	#	Triggerfish, Gray	4561	#	#
Grunts, Unc.	1440	#	#	Triggerfish, Ocean	4562	#	#
Hogfish	1790	#	#	Triggerfish, Queen	4563	#	#
King Mackerel	1940	#	#	Tilefish, Gray	4474	#	#
Spanish Mackerel	3840	#	#	Tilefish, Golden	4470	#	#
Wahoo	4710	#	#	Sea Trout, White	3455	#	#
Black Sea Bass	3360	#	#	Little Tunny	4653	#	#
Bluefish	0230	#	#	Barracuda	0180	#	#
Blue Runner	0270	#	#	Hake	1550	#	#

CATCHES

DETAILS



SELECT ALL

7 Pounds  
AMBERJACK, LESSER  
(UNCLASSIFIED /  
UNGRADED )



EDIT

223 Pounds  
GROUPER, RED  
(UNCLASSIFIED /  
UNGRADED )



EDIT

14 Pounds  
SNAPPER, GRAY  
(UNCLASSIFIED /  
UNGRADED )



EDIT

Dealer

Search...



Clear Value

CASABLANCA FISH  
MARKET

Name

Permit 654

Issuing Agency NMFS -  
Southeast  
Region

FISH MAFIA INC

Name

Permit

Issuing



Trip Reports

Trip starting at 9/17/2022 6:00  
AM



Commercial  
Sat 9/17/2022

NMFSS TEST BOAT

I certify that the vessel trip information I  
am providing is true, complete and correct  
to the best of my knowledge, and made in  
good faith. Making a false statement is  
punishable by law (18 U.S.C. 1001).



TAP TO AGREE.

SUBMIT

CATCHES

DETAILS

Sales Disposition

Sold To Dealer



OFFLOAD PORT  
OFFLOAD PORT FOR CATCH

FL > PINELLAS > PINELLAS (COUNTY)



Offload Date  
Offload Date

09-20-2022



Dealer License  
Dealer Permit - if SOLD TO DEALER

FISH MAFIA INC



Dealer

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

SE Federal  
Dealer Number:

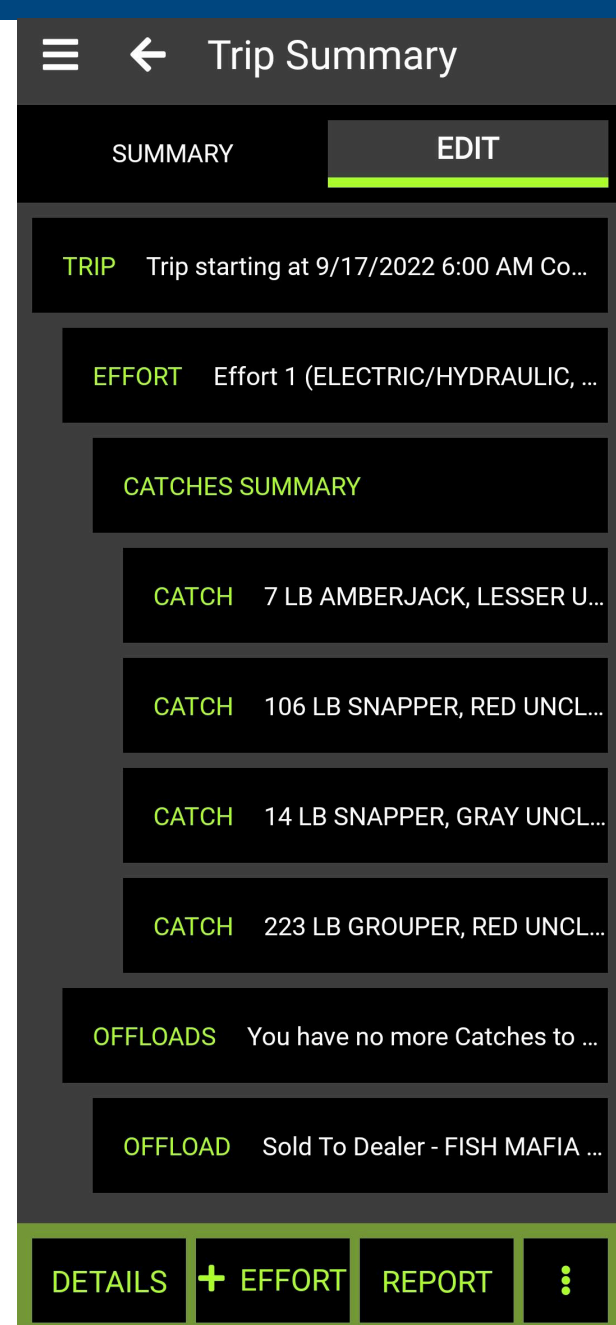
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State Trip  
Ticket No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Check box if landings sold to multiple dealers:  Yes

# Editing a trip

- Easily add additional efforts, catches, and offloads
- View trip summary before submitting
- Go back to previous pages to make changes



# Summary

- eTrips successfully being used by other partners
- Minimal data fields added to increase accuracy and reduce errors that would require send back
- Drop-down menus and favorites lists allow for quick and accurate data entry
- Built-in validations reduce data errors and omissions
- Logbooks received more quickly, eliminates need for manual data entry
- No need for separate discard logbook



Questions?

