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Agenda Item IV: SEFHIER Program Update and Next Steps

Timeline Status: Discussion and Feedback

Council input and next steps: Council staff will provide a presentation outlining the advantages to fisheries data collection, summarize stakeholder feedback from the SEFHIER program and identify some "lessons learned" from the SEFHIER implementation process as well as next steps for developing a new for-hire data collection program.

Committee members should listen to the presentation and ask questions of staff. Additionally, Committee members are encouraged to provide their insights on what objectives they would want to achieve by implementing another for-hire data collection program. Specifically, Committee members can speak to what program outcomes they find important for informing management decisions and help develop the future purpose and need for this program. In October, Council and Southeast Regional Office staff will follow up with a technical presentation reviewing current for-hire data collections programs and present some summarized information collected from SEFHIER that will help inform the framework for the future program.