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# Southeast For-Hire Integrated Electronic Reporting:

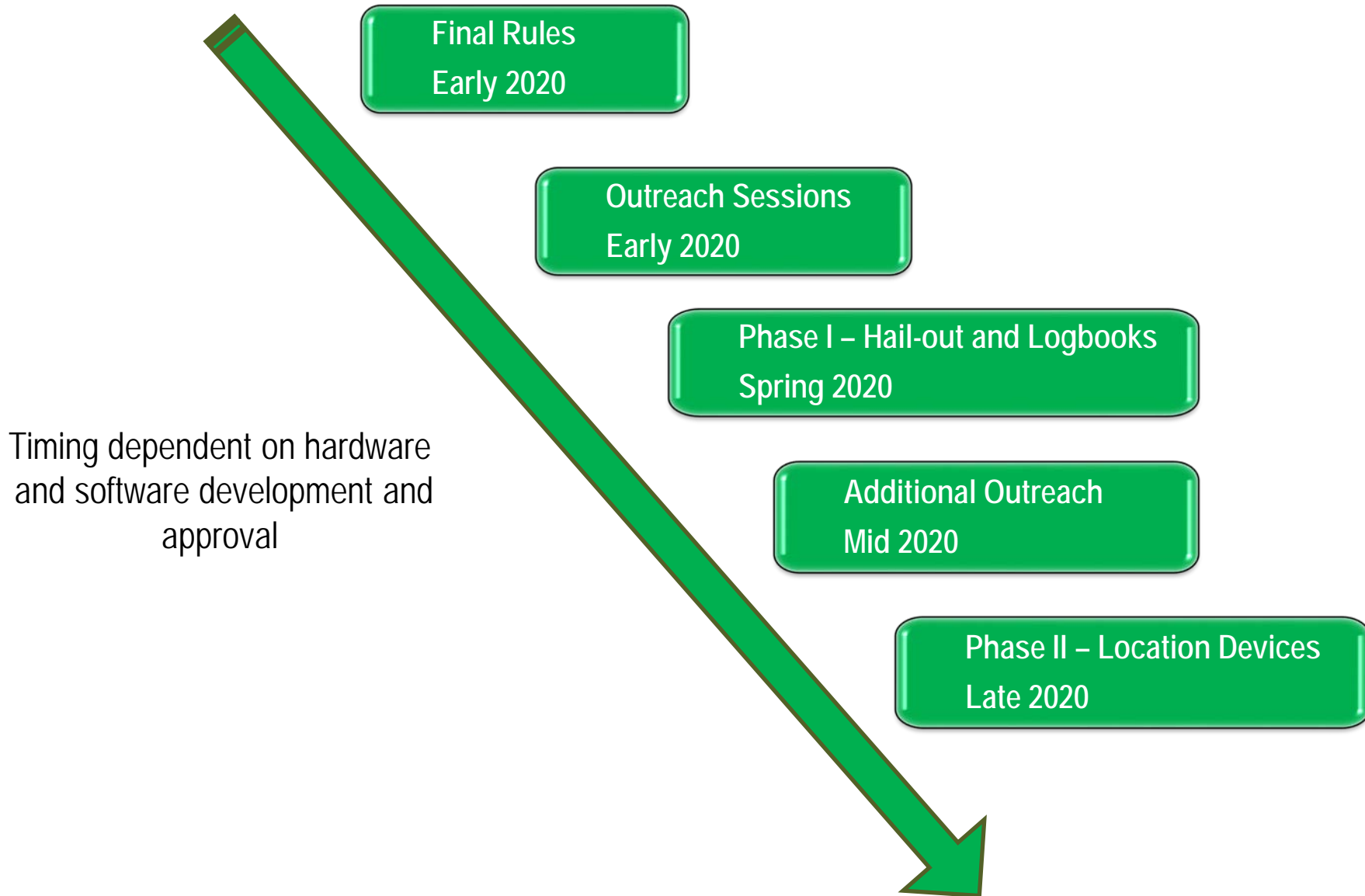
## October 2019 Update

# Gulf and South Atlantic Reporting Program

- Applies to all southeast federally permitted charter and headboats *regardless of where they are fishing*
- Requirements (applicable permit holders)
  - Hail-out prior to leaving on any trip (Gulf)
  - Trip-level logbooks (Gulf and South Atlantic)
  - Location tracking device (Gulf)
- Vessels with both permits
  - Must follow Gulf requirement *regardless of where they are fishing*



# Projected Implementation Timeline



# What have we accomplished?

- Phase I
  - Logbooks – tech specs ready, under review
  - Hailout – tech specs slightly behind
  - Platforms need approval
    - Internet/Mobile app – eTrips, VSL, etc.
    - VMS – tech specs to vendors
  - Data warehouse – data security audit
  - Data flow – NMFS must receive and transmit VMS data
- Phase II
  - Approval process for cellular-based VMS
  - Some satellite-based VMS should already be approved



# What have we accomplished?

- Funding/staffing – FIS grant awarded (temporary funds)
  - Contractors for QA/QC, VMS, customer support, outreach
- Customer support
  - Info packets drafted
  - How-to guides in development
  - Phone line and email [ser.electronicreporting@noaa.gov](mailto:ser.electronicreporting@noaa.gov)
- Website
  - <https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/southeast/southeast-electronic-reporting-technologies>

# Outreach

- NOAA contract with Council \$42,500
- Completed:
  - 8 in-person meetings
  - Newsletter
- Contract has \$33,790 remaining. Contract requires:
  - 4-6 more in-person outreach meetings to educate fishermen about the upcoming requirements
  - 5 webinar meetings to educate fishermen/agency personnel about the upcoming requirements
  - Complete and mail out an informational pack detailing the requirements to each permit holder.

