

GSMFC Liaison Report



Inflation Reduction Act Funding Activities

- Effort Validation Planning Workshop
 - Held June 4-6, 2024 in New Orleans
 - Discussed variety of alternative methods for estimating effort
 - Best method(s) still to be determined but will probably be a suite of options and may vary by state
- Recreational Discards Workshop
 - July 30 – August 1, 2024
 - New Orleans



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- Once both workshops have been completed, will develop RFPs to solicit proposals to address effort and discards issue
- Proposals will test various methodologies to examine their effectiveness
- Details of “who” and “what” still need to be worked out



Recreational Fishing Effort Pilot Survey

- 1-year Pilot
- Purpose – test LA Creel Effort Survey in MS and AL
- Work continues and going well
- Planning between Gulf states & GSMFC staff to conduct estimates has begun
 - States have developed programming to produce estimates
 - Once estimates are developed, analyses will be conducted to compare/contrast various effort estimates
- Presents unique opportunity to examine differences between state and federal recreational survey



Questions?

