GulfFIN Program Update



Funding

- Tab O in Briefing Book
- 2021 Funding Levels still undetermined
 - Received partial funding to start 2021
 - Supporting all ongoing work includes increases to MRIP APAIS sampling
 - Supporting state surveys Snapper Check, Tails n' Scale, development of electronic dockside tool(s) for Florida State Reef Fish Survey
 - SEFHER ongoing funding is TBD



2020 Year in Review

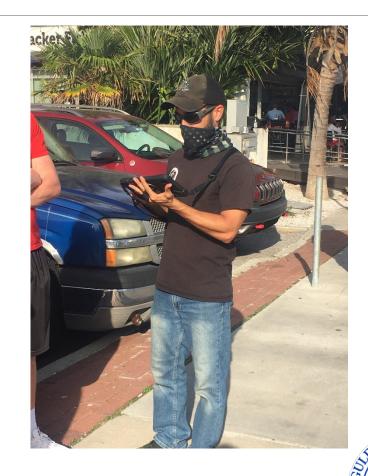
- COVID19 impacted everything fishery dependent
 - Social distancing impacted ability to sample, to collect biological information,
 - We collected what we could, and delivered what we had



Two Major Areas of Progress

Transition to tablets for MRIP APAIS

- Roughly 75 tablets in the field now
- Allows for increased QC at the point of collection
- Result in access to cleaned data in a timely manner
- Same data collection and management structure will be used for SEFHER
- Will have roughly 85 tablets in the field between MRIP and SEFHER



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Deployment of VESL for Electronic Trip Ticket

- Transition from PC based reporting to Web interface
- Fully deployed (state/federal) for Florida, working to transition dealers
- Partially deployed for Texas, federal requirements still being developed
- Mississippi state requirements have been approved, working on data export process
- PC based system still operational, paper reporting still being used



Questions?

