Released Catch Data

- Estimated numbers of releases are significant
- Released catch estimated mortality can be significant portion of ACLs
- Growing concern about accuracy of released catch reporting (rounding bias, only report high profile species, ID issues, others?)
Released Catch Data Workshop

- Steering Committee
  - Joey Shepard (LDWF), Geoff White (ACCSP), Dave Van Voorhees (NOAA Fisheries), Steve Williams (Pacific RecFIN), Gregg Bray (GulfFIN)

1. Discuss current needs and uses (federal and state)
   - Enumeration of catch, validation of released catch, mortality, necessary for all species, every year, every angler, others?

2. Criterion for evaluating collection methods
   - Scope in time, statistical design, precision, biological elements, validation, outreach, timeliness of data, integration into estimates

3. Summarize existing released catch collection methods

4. Propose potential new methods
   - Identify candidate fisheries for pilot testing
   - Discuss best ways to evaluate current and proposed methods
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- Meeting dates are November 7-8
- Courtyard Marriot French Quarter, New Orleans, LA
- Meeting notice is available at www.gsmfc.org
Questions???