



An iPhone Application for Collecting Fisheries Data with Visual Recognition

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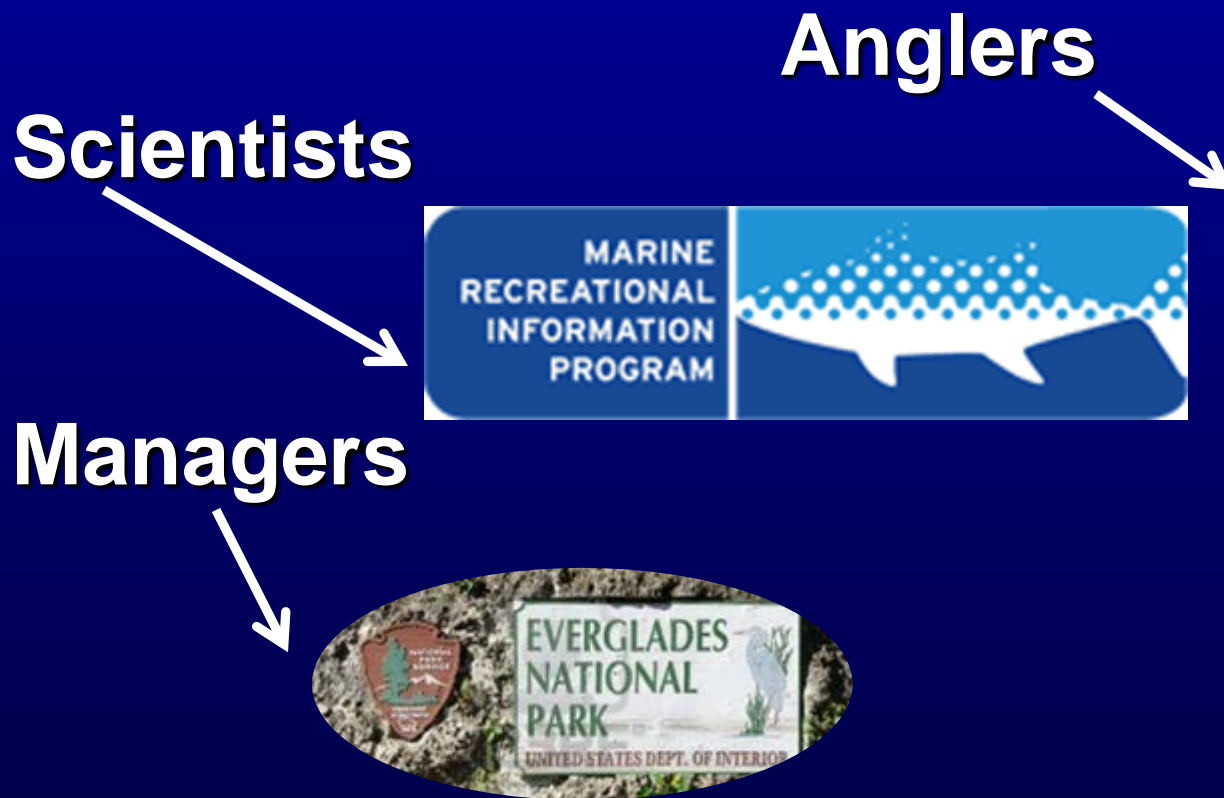
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Purpose

To develop an app that collects recreational fisheries data for



App Design Objectives

- **Easy to use**
- **Directly applicable to management**
- **Engages IGFA's extensive angler network**
- **Build off existing IGFA App**

Three Key Features

1. Visual recognition

- 2.

- 3.

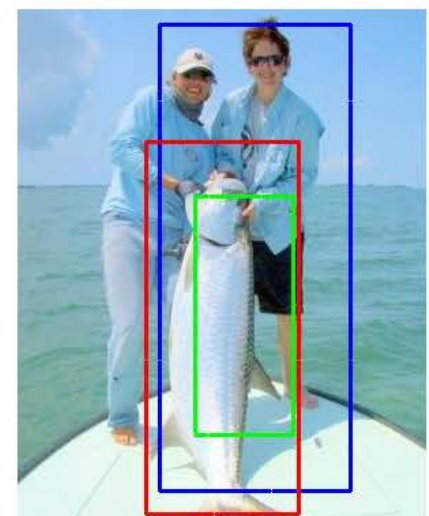
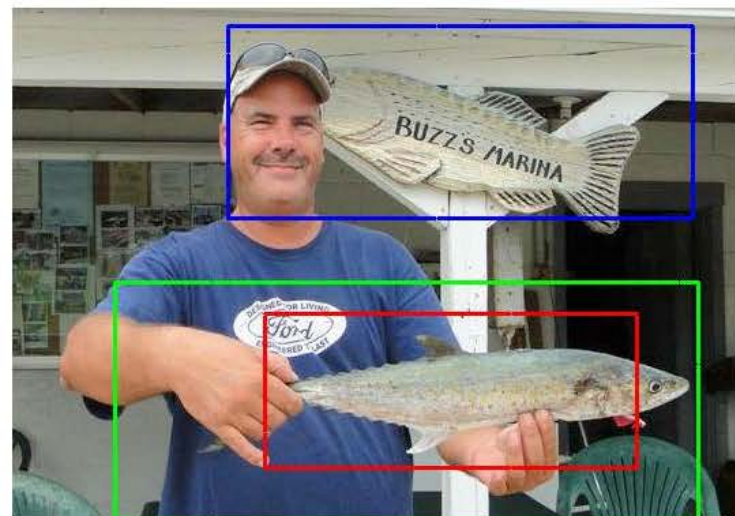
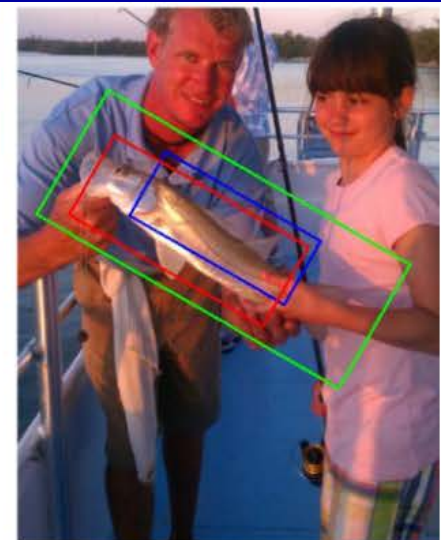
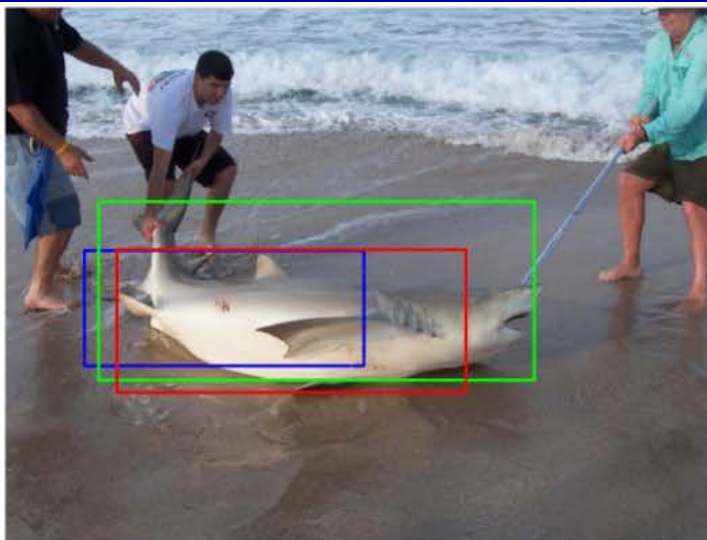
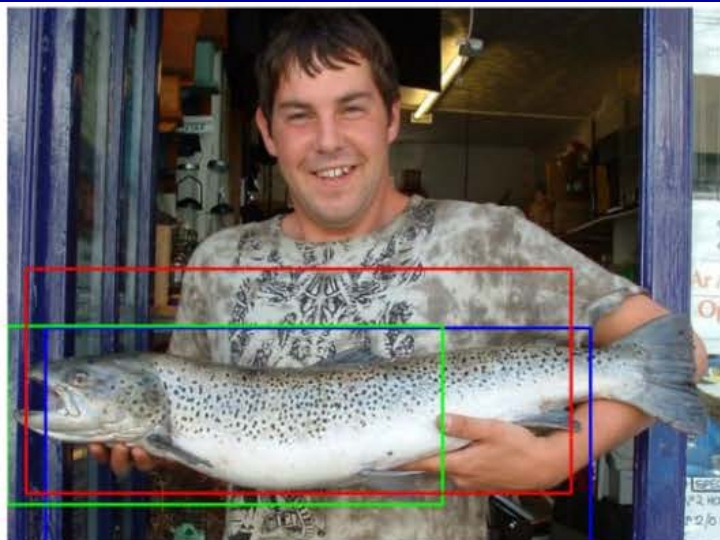
Visual Recognition Component



- > 50 images for each species
- Algorithms identify key morphometric differences



First : Fish Detection in Photos



1st guess 2nd guess 3rd guess

Next: Labeled Parts

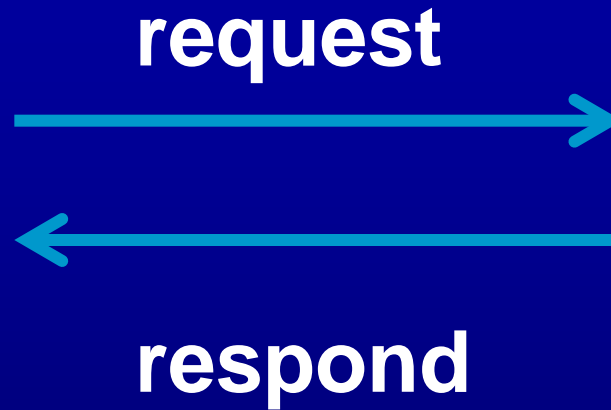


Eye Mouth Pectoral Fin Ventral Fin Anal Fin Caudal Fin First Dorsal Fin Second Dorsal Fin

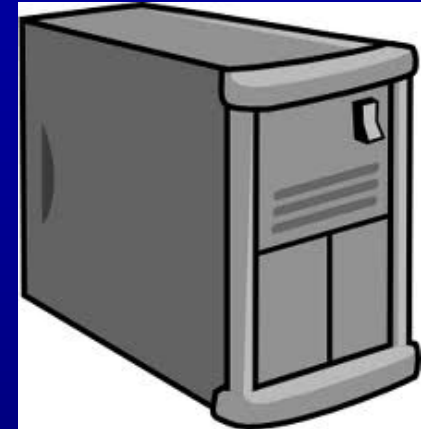
Fish API



**Client
(smart phone)**



API

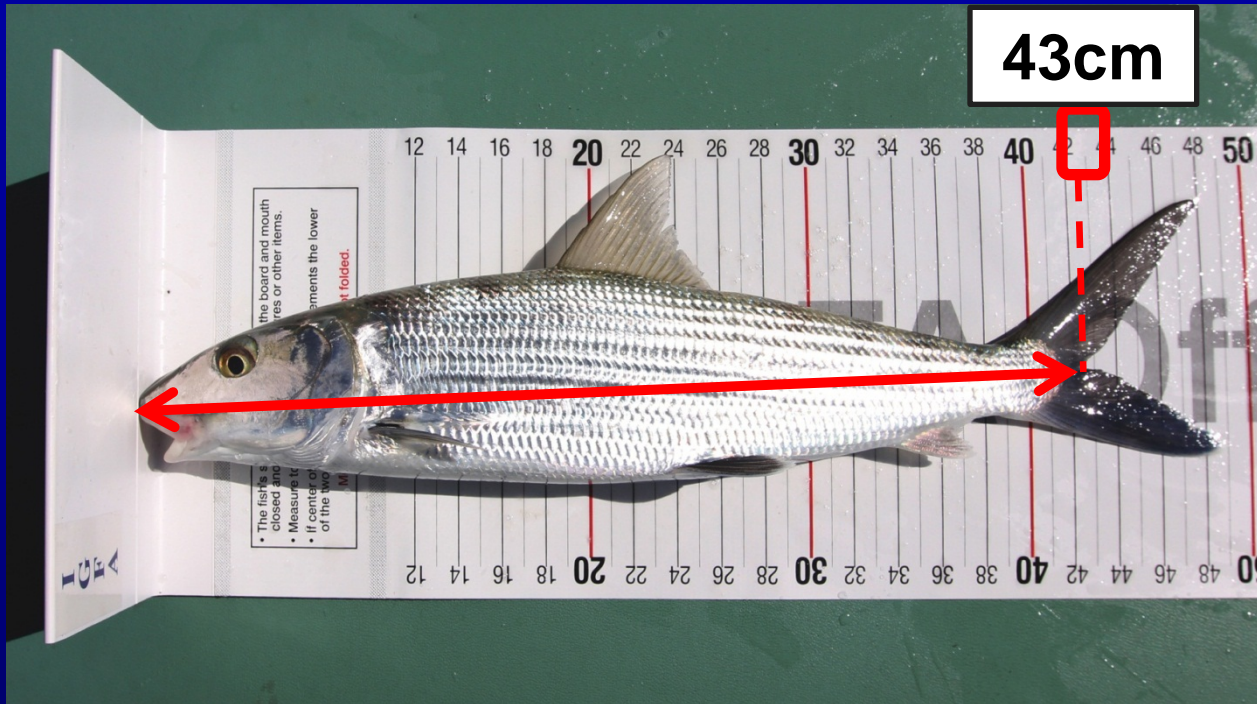


**Visual
recognition
system**

Key Features

1. Visual recognition
2. Collects species, length, date/time of catch, location, etc.
- 3.

Data Collection Component



One Click collects:

- species
- length
- location
- date & time

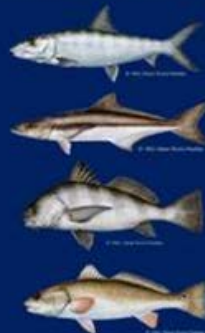
Can be synced with:

- weather data
- water temp
- tide charts
- solunar data

Quick details are entered

Is it one of these?

- ☒ Bonefish
- ☐ Cobia
- ☐ Black Drum
- ☐ Red Drum



- ☐ BAIT
 - ☐ FLY
 - ☒ ARTIFICIAL
- ☐ KEPT
 - ☒ RELEASED ALIVE
 - ☐ RELEASED DEAD

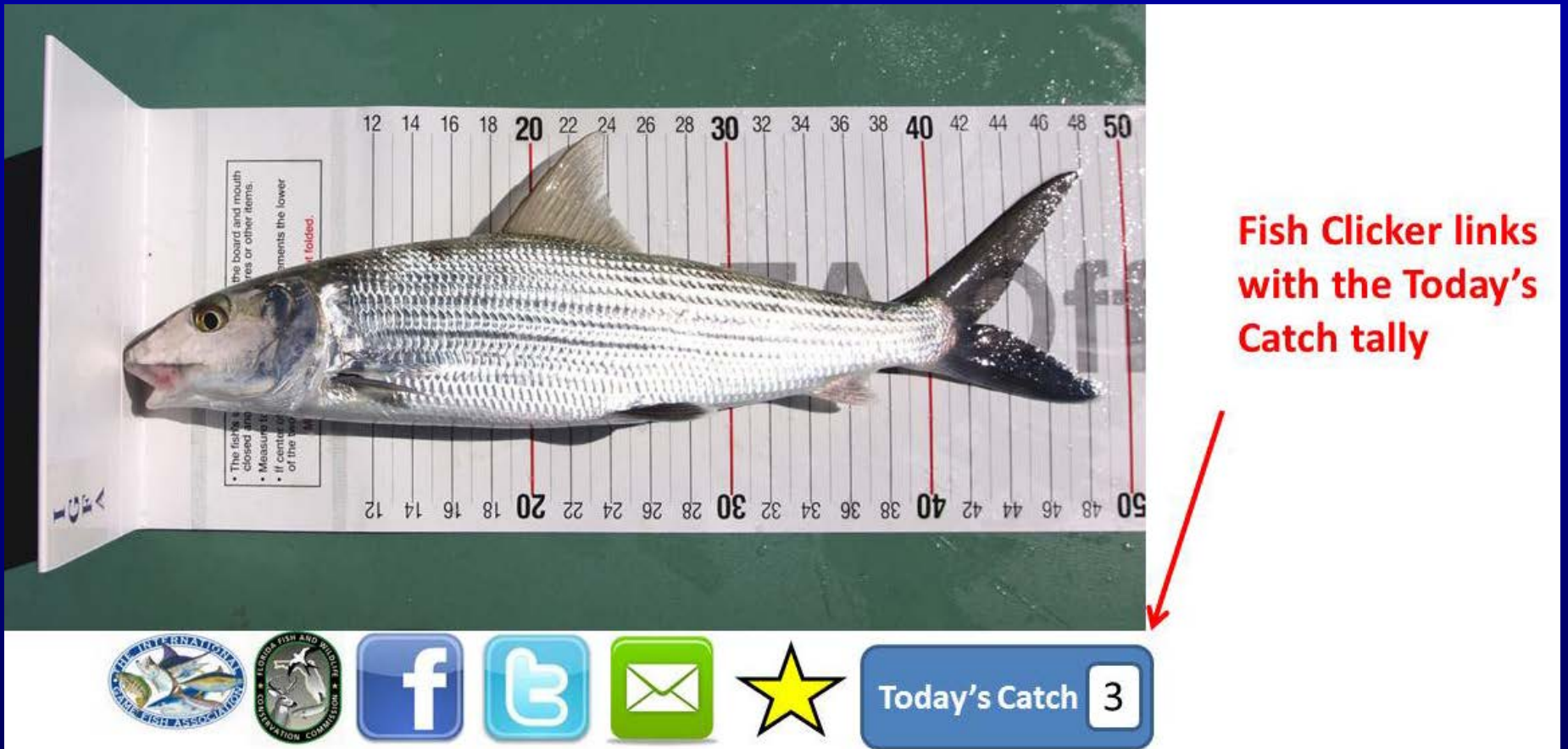
Not one of those? Manually enter your catch

Bonefish

Please enter the forklength: cm

STORE CATCH

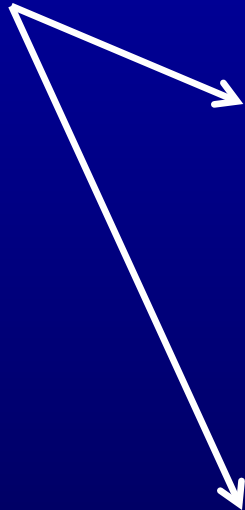
Fish Clicker



“Fish Clicker” allows for rapid counting

Estimating Effort

Time, date
& location
recorded



Start Trip

End Trip

User Input Variables

Enter catch info

LiveWell



My First Bonefish

Bonefish

April 12, 2012

0904

(Location name)

25° 8'26.23"N

80°52'14.01"W

SAVE

42 cm

13.6 lb

(Girth)

(Details)



Today's Catch

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3. Online database for users to view their data

Catch History button

Select Catch Breakdown

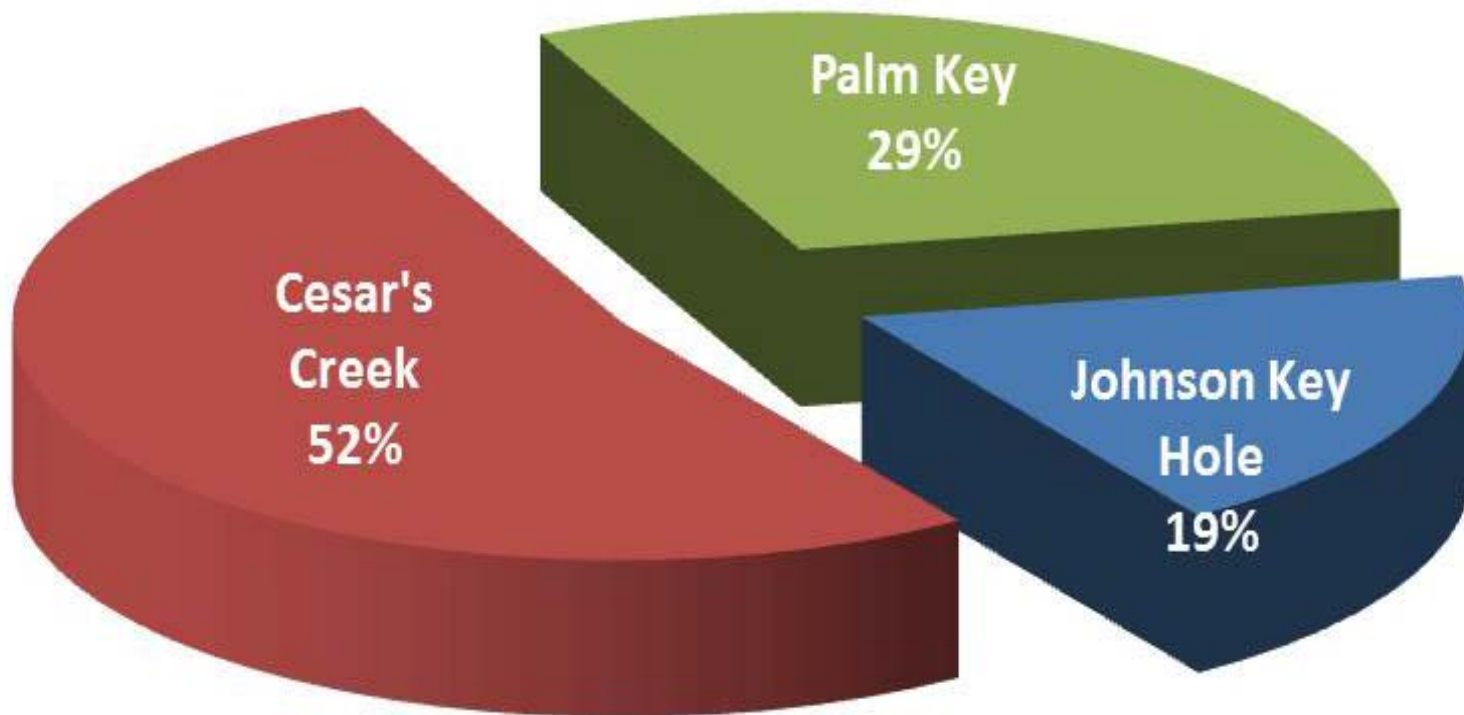
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- ☐ By Tackle
- ☐ By Season
- ☐ By Date
- ☐ By Time of Day
- ☐ By Moon Phase

Favorite Spots:

- ☐ Johnson Key hole
- ☐ Cesar's Creek
- ☐ Adams Key Dock
- ☐ Palm Key

SUBMIT

Favorite Spots Trends



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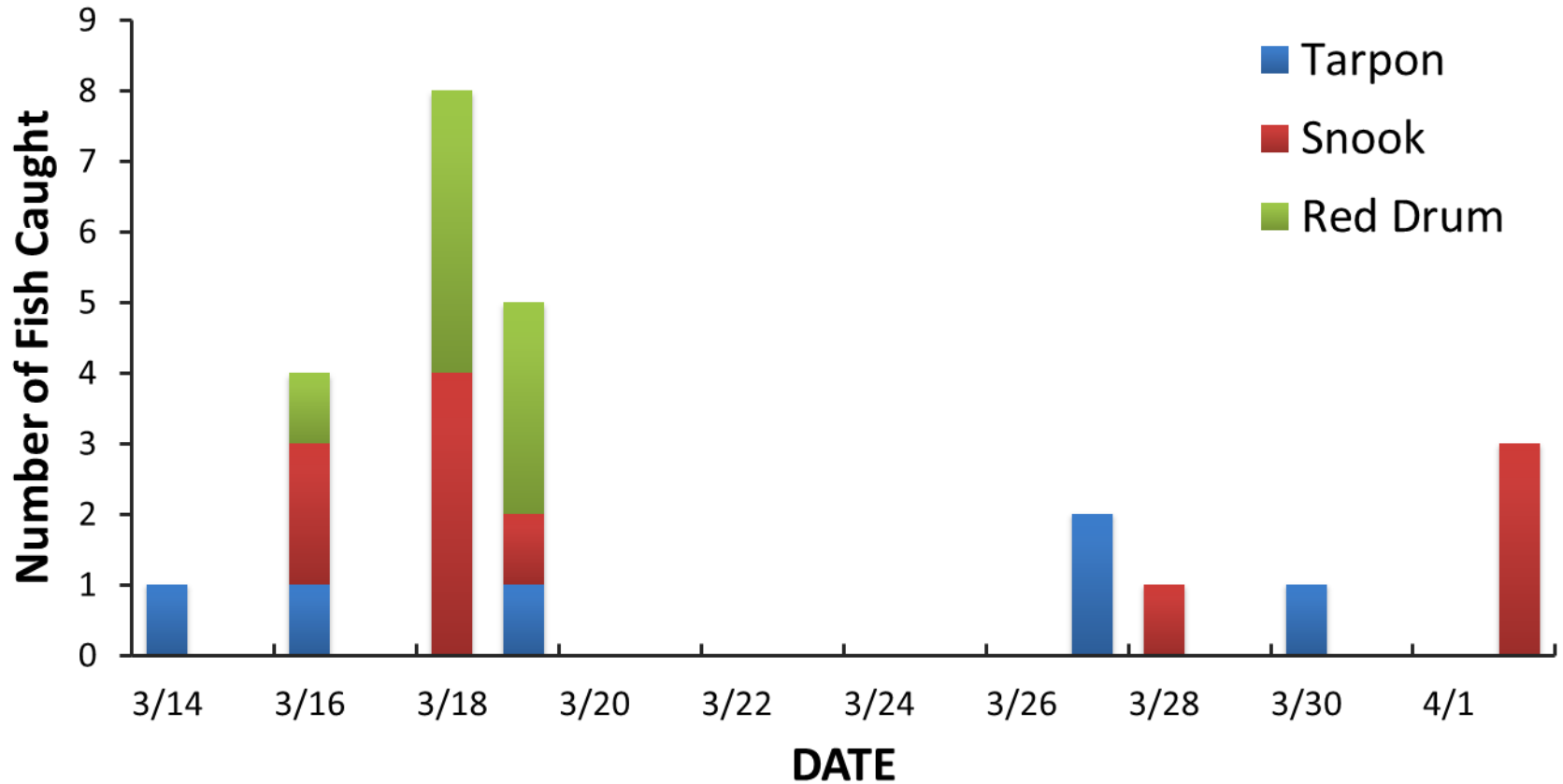
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Catch Stats


Catch by Species by Date at Palm Key




Brag Gallery





Date: 4/10/12	Time: 8:41 am	Species: Blackfin Tuna
Length: 76 cm	Lat: 25°41'37.84" N	Lon: 80°03'50.79" W
Moon: Waning 	Water Temp: 74°F	Wind: SW 5 knots



Date: 4/11/12	Time: 12:01pm	Species: African Pompano
Length: 65 cm	Lat: 25°41'04.81" N	Lon: 80°03'51.90" W
Moon: Waning 	Water Temp: 71°F	Wind: E 8 knots

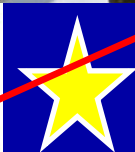
Additional Features



Access IGFA and FWC Rules

Upload to social media sites

Email pictures



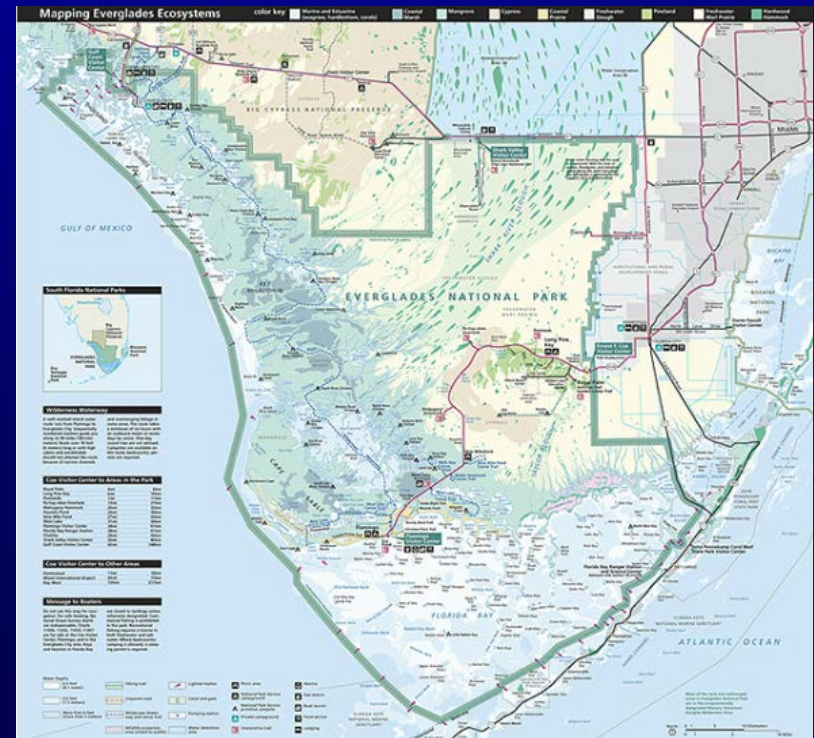
Fish Clicker



Field trials



- Pilot in nearshore marine waters of Everglades National Park in mid 2013
- Agency support



Benefits

- **Data access for scientists and agencies**
- **Continuity with existing programs**
- **Features geared for optimal use**
- **Will fill gaps in data collection programs**

Questions?



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