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Electronic Technologies FY16 Funding

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Total FY16 NMFS funding by region for electronic technologies implementation (in thousands of dollars)

		NE	SE	WC	AK	PI	HQ	TOTAL
FY 2016 new Congressional appropriation	EM	406	250	450	1,287	90	180	2,663
	ER	93	358	59	-	27		537
	EM/ER*	160	160	160	160	160		800
	Total	659	768	669	1,447	277	180	4,000
Base funding	EM		341	1,180	445	231	1,235	3,432
	ER	126		129	606	317		1,178
	Total	126	341	1,309	1,051	548	1,235	4,610
Grand Total		785	1,109	1,978	2,498	825	1,415	8,610

*The regions will use the funds for EM and/or ER implementation.

An additional \$3 M in grants will be awarded by the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation

<http://www.nfwf.org/fisheriesfund/Pages/2016-Electronic-Mo.aspx>

2nd National EM Workshop

Focus on EM programs that are implemented or are being implemented

- What's working? Why?
- What's not working? Why?

Agenda

- Overview of Regional Programs
- Issue specific panels, e.g.
 - Operational Issues
 - Data Issues
 - Data Use
 - Enforcement and Compliance
 - R&D and Science

Location

Seattle area

Date

30 November – 1 December

Participation

Limit to 100

8th International Fisheries and Observer Monitoring Conference

Themes

- What can we learn from observer programs around the world?
- How do we train and prepare observers, provide opportunities for professional growth and reward performance?
- How can fisheries observers improve the quality, diversity and use of fisheries dependent information?
- Reducing risk in a high risk job.
- Can observers effectively perform scientific AND compliance functions?
- **What are the latest technology trends for fisheries monitoring programs?**
- How do we best monitor recreational and pay-for-hire (charter) fisheries?
- How do we observe and monitor artisanal fisheries?
- What are the future trends for transshipment observer programs?
- How much observer coverage and monitoring is enough? Methods for reducing and/or incorporating biased data collection.
- Can data from the fishing industry be used to monitor fisheries compliance, seafood traceability and/or fisheries certification?
- How can fisheries monitoring programs support an ecosystem based approach to fisheries management?

Location: San Diego, California - BAHIA Resort Hotel

Date: 29 August - 2 September 2016

Seeking Council “family” participation at the conference! <http://ifomc.com/>