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ACCSP Funding Prioritization of the Recreational Technical Committee

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The Recreational Technical Committee sets the recreational data collection priorities for inclusion in ACCSP's annual request for proposals (RFP). In 2017, the committee opted to use its Atlantic Coast Recreational Implementation Plan priorities as the recreational data priorities for ACCSP's annual funding process. The prioritized list of data needs, which were reviewed and approved by the ACCSP Coordinating Council, is provided below:

- 1. Improve precision (PSE) of MRIP catch estimates**
- 2. Comprehensive for-hire data collection and monitoring**
Improved recreational fishery discard and release data
- 4. Biological sampling for recreational fisheries separate from MRIP APAIS**
- 5. Improved spatial resolution and technical guidance for post-stratification of MRIP estimates**
- 6. Improved timeliness of recreational catch and harvest estimates**

Our vision is to be the principal source of fisheries-dependent information on the Atlantic coast through the cooperation of all program partners.

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