



# What is FIS? (Fisheries Information System)



- **Helping** Commission, state, NMFS HQ, and Regional folks learn from each other.
- **Helping** folks move to the electronic age.
- **Helping** fishermen apply for permits, regions collect fees, and researchers survey fishermen.
- **Helping** the Agency meet IQA, NEPA, and Magnuson Act requirements.
- **Connecting** and **collecting** data by making data easier to use and determining what data is missing.
- **Documenting** existing data so we know what is available so as to minimize redundant data.
- **Improving** data quality so scientists do better stock assessments, quota monitors can more effectively make in-season decisions, and minimize lawsuits against fisheries managers.
- **Reducing** the number of HQ data calls and Congressional fisheries queries.

### Information Portal (InPort)

- On-line catalog of current fisheries information holdings in all regions
- In use by all FIS partners

### Pacific Electronic Fish Trip Ticket

- Electronic reporting of fish trip ticket data by dealers
- Electronic vessel logbook reporting to support possible IFQs

### FIS Architecture

- Shared vision for advancing business & technology
- Streamlined business processes

### Commercial Landings Integration (CLI)

- Automated National commercial landings statistics
- More timely reports to Congress, industry, and the public

### Trip Data Reconciliation Tools

- Automated matching of dealer and vessel trip reports
- Reconciled datasets; better estimates of total catch, bycatch, and discards

### National Permits System

- One-stop shopping for permit applicants
- Uniform fee structure
- Improved customer service
- Information sharing across regions

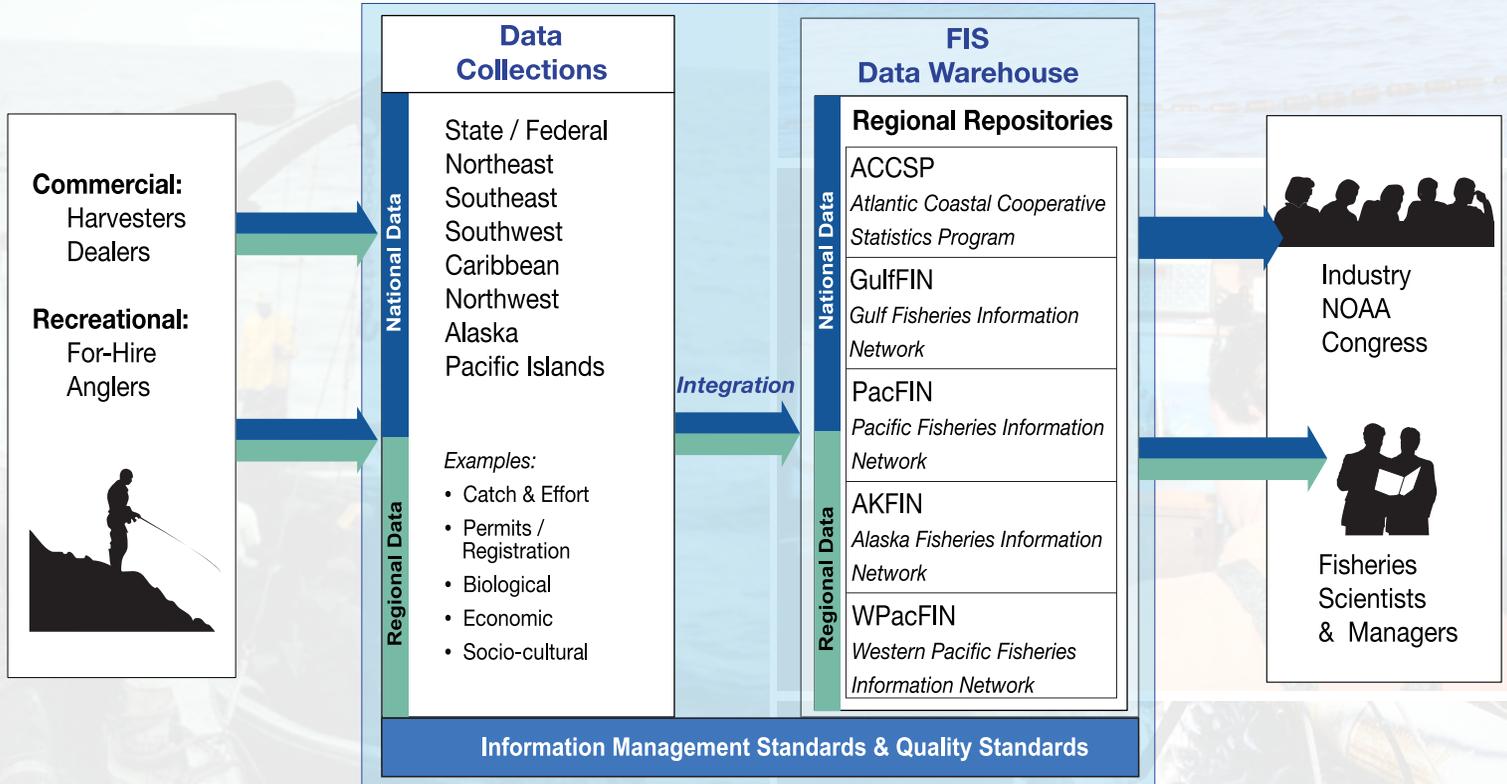
### Electronic Reporting Roadmap

- Planning the direction for E-Reporting initiatives
- Establishing policies and standards
- Reduced industry reporting burden
- Improved efficiency, accuracy, and timeliness of NMFS and State data collections

### FIS Program Management

- Setting priorities
- Planning investments
- Setting milestones
- Tracking progress
- Reporting accomplishments

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