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National Academies to Host Webinar on New MRIP Review

The Marine Recreational Information Program, or MRIP, is the stateregional-federal partnership responsible for developing, improving, and implementing surveys that measure how many trips saltwater anglers take, and how many fish they catch. This vital information - combined with other data, such as commercial catch and biological research - enables scientists and managers to assess and maintain sustainable U.S. fish stocks.

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## National Academies Completes New Analysis of MRIP, Hosts Webinar with Q&A

On Tuesday, January 10, at 10 am EST, the National Academies will release its latest report, "A Review of the Marine Recreational Information Program." Later that day at 2 pm EST, the study's co-chairs will host a webinar to report on the findings. This is a comprehensive follow-up review to the National Academies' 2006 independent, expert analysis of our saltwater recreational data collection efforts. NOAA Fisheries requested this follow-up review to measure progress made toward implementing recommendations from the 2006 report.

To register for the webinar, please click <u>this link</u>. To learn more about the review, please visit the <u>National Academies' project page</u>.

## Ask MRIP

Do you have questions about MRIP or our surveys? Ask us and we'll answer your question in an upcoming newsletter. If you've got a question about MRIP that you'd like answered, please e-mail Dave Bard at <u>david.bard@noaa.gov</u>.

To learn more about improvements MRIP is making, visit our website at <u>countmyfish.noaa.gov</u>.

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