

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS: RI MOBILE GEAR F/Vs

CFRF is seeking 5-10 commercial mobile gear F/Vs to participate in a survey to test an electronic gear location marking application. Participants must fish or transit through the survey area below.



Project Description:

- This project will test an electronic gear location marking application (app), which was designed to mark the location of ropeless fishing gear
- This survey will provide much needed information on the accuracy and utility of the app

Participant Responsibilities and Requirements:

- Each F/V participant will be provided with a tablet with an electronic gear location marking app and a cell service signal booster (each F/V must have a smartphone onboard)
- Each F/V will be asked to use the app during their regular fishing activities to compare the location and orientation of fishing gear marked in the app to visible fixed gear buoys in the water
- Each F/V is asked to use the app on up to 10 different fishing days between May and October 2022 and at the end of each day answer 5 questions on the usefulness of the app
- Each F/V is also asked to complete a final questionnaire and attend a final workshop to discuss their input on the app

Compensation:

- Test the app on 10 fishing days - *\$100 per day*
- Complete a final questionnaire on experience with and opinions of the app - *\$250*
- Attend and participate in a CFRF hosted workshop to discuss results - *\$150*
- Potential total compensation - *\$1,400*

Timeline:

- May 2022 – October 2022 – Complete 10 days of application testing
- October 2022 – Complete final questionnaire
- December 2022 – Attend CFRF workshop

Interested? Please contact Katie Viducic, CFRF Research Biologist

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