



PROJECT *OCEANOLOGY*

Deeper Dive: NOAA Bycatch Reduction Engineering Program

<https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/national/bycatch/bycatch-reduction-engineering-program>

NOAA Fisheries has been working for many years to reduce the problem of bycatch, and the NOAA Bycatch Reduction Engineering Program (BREP) is a grant program that funds research into bycatch reduction. There are four major grant categories:

- Reducing Protected Species Bycatch
- Improving Fishing Practices
- Innovative Technologies
- Reducing Post-Release Mortality

Task 1:

Read the BREP annual report to Congress for 2015. For each of the grant categories, choose ONE project and fill in the table on the reverse side of this sheet.

Task 2:

Read the list of funded BREP projects for 2017. If you could pick only one of these projects, which would you choose? List the project below, and explain why you think it is important and/or likely to be successful.

Project:

Rationale for Choosing it:



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Category	Fishery Target	Bycatch Concern	Goal of Project	Results
Reducing Protected Species Bycatch				
Improving Fishing Practices				
Innovative Technologies				
Reducing Post-Release Mortality				