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Meeting of the Black Bass Advisory Subcommittee
July 6, 2016
Tawes State Office Building
C-1 Conference Room
Annapolis, MD 21401
6:00 – 8:30 PM

Tentative Agenda

6:00 - 6:10 Opening Remarks/Introductions/Charge of BBAS – Dave Blazer (Fisheries Director, Fisheries Service)

Desired Outcome: Inform

6:10 - 6:25 BBAS Operating Guidelines, Gina Hunt (Deputy Director, Fisheries Service)

Desired Outcome: Inform, Discuss, and Finalize Operating Guidelines

6:25 - 6:45 Vote on Chair and Vice-Chair – Gina Hunt (Deputy Director, Fisheries Service)

Desired Outcome: Appoint Chair and Vice-Chair to two year terms

6:45 - 6:55 Tidal Bass Program – History and Mission/Charge – Tony Prochaska (Inland Fisheries Division Manager)

Desired Outcome: Inform

- 6:55 7:05 Black Bass Fishery Joe Love (Tidal Bass Program Manager)
 - Current Status Upper Bay and Potomac River
 - Management Actions Implemented

Desired Outcome: Inform

- 7:00 7:30 Potential Management Actions to Promote Survival and Abundance of Older, Larger Bass Method 1 (Tony Prochaska/Joe Love)
 - Fishable Slot Justification and Options Pages 1 3 (Options Document)

Desired Outcome:

- Information dissemination and group discussion
- BBAS Members relay information back to their constituency for input



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- 7:30 8:10 Potential Management Actions to Promote Survival and Abundance of Older, Larger Bass Method 2 (Tony Prochaska/Joe Love)
 - Closed and/or Catch and Return (C&R) Areas Justification and Options Pages 3

 8 (Options Document)

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- 8:10 8:20 Next Steps and Public Comments* Dave Blazer and Chairperson
- 8:20 8:30 Closing Remarks Dave Blazer and Chairperson
- 8:30 Adjourn

Light refreshments (sandwiches, drinks) will be served. We're sorry, but travel funds cannot be reimbursed.

*Public comment as time allows. Public observers will be allowed to address the BBAS at the designated time period on the agenda for each meeting. For topics that are not on the agenda, the Chairperson will use a public sign-up list in deciding how to allocate the available time on the agenda to the number of people who want to speak. For topics on the agenda, the Chairperson will try to provide an opportunity for comment, taking into account the time allotted on the agenda for the topic.

Meeting Hand-Outs

Agenda
BBAS Background, Mission/Charge
BBAS Options Document

Electronic Materials

(Please review for meeting; copies will not be provided at meeting unless requested in advance)

BBAS Operating Guidelines

Supplemental Reference 1 - Fishery Management Plan

Supplemental Reference 2 - Fishery Management Plan (Section 8)

Supplemental Reference 3 - Tournament Director Special Conditions

Supplemental Reference 4 - Outreach, Catch-and-Return Area