



Martin O'Malley, Governor
Anthony G. Brown, Lt. Governor
John R. Griffin, Secretary
Joseph P. Gill, Deputy Secretary

Meeting of the Sport Fisheries Advisory Commission
May 14, 2013
Tawes State Office Building
Annapolis, MD 21401

Summary of Motions & Actions

Commissioners in attendance: Chairman Jim Gracie, Herb Smith, James Wommack, Dr. Ray Morgan, Roger Trageser, Val Lynch, Bill Goldsborough, Greg Jetton, Dave Smith, Dave Sikorski, Carol Stevenson, Ed O'Brien

Commissioners not attending: Bill Windley (Sick), Brandon White, Larry Coburn

DNR Staff attending: Tom O'Connell, Director, MD DNR Fisheries Service, Lynn Fegley, Deputy Director, MD DNR Fisheries Service, Gina Hunt, Deputy Director, MD DNR Fisheries Service, Martin Gary, Don Cosden, Mike Luisi, Sarah Widman, Sgt. Aaron Parker, MD DNR NRP, Marek Topolski, Brenda Davis, Jacob Holtz, Rick Morin, Karen Knotts, Nancy Butowski, Dianne Samuels, Paul Parzynski

Members of the Public attending: Joe Rupp, Jaime Danford, John Page Williams, Ed Liccione, Ken Lewis

Action Items

- SFAC requested to remain informed on the development of ASMFC management updates on Spot
- SFAC requested NRP double check Somerset County charges (example: oyster sanctuaries)
- SFAC requested an update on Maryland's Spot landings (charter/commercial) e mailed to them

Motions

- Motion: Recommend DNR FS scope the regulatory idea of establishing more conservative limits such as those recommended by CCA MD (*as referenced in May 2013 Draft Spotted Seatrout FMP Review*) for commercial and recreational spotted seatrout fisheries to manage for abundance. Dave Sikorski, Val Lynch. 6 for; 3 against; 3 abstentions
- Motion: Recommend DNR FS pursue an economic study to determine how best to allocate this resource going forward. Dave Sikorski, Val Lynch. Motion carries with one abstention