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Summer meeting of the Tidal Fisheries Advisory Commission
July 25, 2013
Tawes State Office Building
C-1 Conference Room
Annapolis, MD 21401
3-6 PM

Preliminary Agenda*

3:00-3:30 Welcome and Introductions of Commissioners and Fisheries Management Team – Tom O'Connell, Director MD DNR Fisheries Service
Desired Outcome: Current and new Commissioners will get acquainted.

3:30-3:45 Review of Tidal Fisheries Advisory Commission Operating Guidelines - Tom O'Connell, Director MD DNR Fisheries Service
Desired Outcome: Commissioners will get familiar with the procedures of the TFAC meetings.

3:45-4:00 Election of Chair and Vice Chair - Tom O'Connell, Director MD DNR Fisheries Service
Desired Outcome: The TFAC will have the opportunity to elect a Chair and Vice-Chair for the next two years, or decide to postpone this decision to their next meeting in October. The idea to postpone would be to allow time for the new and existing Commissioners to get familiar with each other prior to making this decision.

4:00-4:10 Seafood Marketing Update – Steve Vilnit, MD DNR Fisheries Service
Desired Outcome: Update the Commission on seafood marketing efforts (Handout)

4:10-4:20 NRP Activity report – Lt. Art Windemuth, NRP
Desired Outcome: Update the Commission on the latest NRP activity report

4:20-4:35 Discussion of Wait Listed Commercial Fishing Licenses. This item was tabled at the May 16 meeting – Gina Hunt MD DNR Fisheries Service
Desired Outcome: Update Commission on license target issue (Handout)

4:35-5:00 Regulatory Update & Scoping – Sarah Widman MD DNR Fisheries Service (Handout)
Desired Outcome: Update the Commission on current regulatory items. Obtain feedback on scoping strategies for upcoming regulatory and licensing items. And, provide an update from TFAC Workgroup on Spot Pot / Fishing Gear issue.

5:00-5:45 Fishery Management Plan (FMP) Review Update – Rick Morin and Tom O'Connell, MD DNR Fisheries Service
Desired Outcome: Provide the Commission with the Draft Yellow Perch FMP Review (Handout), and obtain input from the Commission. Provide the Commission with an update on preparing the Draft Striped Bass FMP Review which is not ready to be distributed for Commission review.

5:45-6:00 Public Comment**

6:00 PM Adjourn

Next Meeting, Thursday, October 3, 2013, from 2-5 PM in the Tawes State Office Building, Annapolis, MD 21401

*The Preliminary agenda is subject to change

**Public comment as time allows

Handouts: Agenda, MD DNR Fisheries Organization Chart, Operating Guidelines, NRP Activity Update, Seafood Marketing Update, Regulatory Update, Regulatory Scoping Documents, Yellow Perch FMP