

Action Items of July 23, 2013 Meeting of the Sport Fisheries Advisory Commission

- Fisheries Service (FS) is looking for 3 more SFAC Commission members to serve on the SFAC/TFAC Penalty Workgroup. James Womack is currently on the workgroup to represent SFAC/Tidal; one additional member for each of the following areas is needed: Nontidal, Coastal, and Charter Boat. The workgroup normally meets once annually, in the evening. If interested, please contact Sarah or Bill Goldsborough. If you have any comments on Regulatory reforms (see Fisheries Regulatory Scoping July 2013 handout), please contact Sarah Widman (swidman@dnr.state.md.us) by August 15th. We are still in need of two more volunteers from SFAC.
- Proxy information for each SFAC member is due to Noreen Eberly by August 15th. Proxies will be added to FS's e-mail list so they receive all SFAC communications. If you have not sent in your proxy information, please remember to do so.
- SFAC comments on draft Yellow Perch Fisheries Management Plan Review recommendations are due by August 15th. Send comments to Rick Morin rmorin@dnr.state.md.us and copy Bill Goldsborough at bgoldsborough@cbf.org.
- **FS** will post the Yellow Perch presentation provided at the meeting on SFAC web page. (posted)
- FS will look into "No Fishing" signs in Severn and Magothy rivers and clarify whether closure areas remain by statute. (Those areas that are closed are closed due to Anne Arundel county statute.)
- FS will provide the SFAC with a briefing on the NRP Strategic Plan as soon as it becomes available. (Requested)
- **FS** will post the December 2012 NRP Level of Service Standards to the SFAC web page. (posted)
- Jim Gracie requested FS contact NRP to see if this 13 member cadet class is for this year or multi-year effort. (FS followed up with Colonel George Johnson who indicated that he hopes to fill the 13 vacancies by September 2013. These positions are permanent positions and will carry over to the next fiscal year, consistent with other full time position in NRP. As each cadet reaches the age to go into NRP's police academy, it will create a vacancy in the cadet program. At that point, NRP will immediately request that the cadet position be filled to maintain the 13 positions allotted in their budget.)