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Fall Meeting of the Tidal Fisheries Advisory Commission
October 3, 2013
Tawes State Office Building
C-1 Conference Room
Annapolis, MD 21401
2-5 PM

Preliminary Agenda*

2:00-2:05 Welcome and Announcements – Tom O'Connell, Director MD DNR Fisheries Service
Desired Outcome: Update.

2:05-2:20 NRP Activity report – Lt. Art Windemuth, MD DNR NRP (handout)
Desired Outcome: Update.

2:20-3:00 Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV) – Status and Trends of SAV in Chesapeake Bay, and DNR Efforts to Protect and Restore – Lee Karrh, MD DNR Resource Assessment Service (handout)
Desired Outcome: Informational per TFAC request at July 2013 meeting.

3:00-3:20 Seafood Marketing Update – Steve Vilnit, MD DNR
Desired Outcome: Update.

3:20-3:30 Industry Lead Blue Crab Design Team Activity Report – TBD Blue Crab Industry Design Team Member
Desired Outcome: Update.

3:30-4:20 Fisheries Management Planning

- Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission (ASMFC) Annual 2013 Meeting Overview (handout) – Tom O'Connell, MD DNR
 - Desired Outcome: Update and obtain Commission input.
- ASMFC Striped Bass Benchmark Stock Assessment (handout) and Management – Lynn Fegley and Tom O'Connell, MD DNR
 - Desired Outcome: Update and obtain Commission input.
- Chesapeake Bay Striped Bass Fishery Management Plan Review (handout)– Nancy Butowski, MD DNR
 - Desired Outcome: Obtain Commission input.

4:20-4:45 Regulatory Updates and Legislative Items

- Regulatory Scoping Items (handout) – Sarah Widman, MD DNR
 - Desired Outcome: Obtain Commission input on regulatory scoping ideas under consideration, and proposed scoping strategies.
- Spot Pot Workgroup Update – Sarah Widman, MD DNR
 - Desired Outcome: Update

4:45-4:50 Proposed 2014 TFAC Meeting Schedule – Tom O’Connell, MD DNR Fisheries Director

Desired Outcome: Establish meeting dates for 2014 as follows:

February 20, 2014 2-5 PM

May 1, 2014 2-5 PM

July 24, 2014 3-6 PM

October 16 2-5 PM

All meetings to be held in Tawes State Office Building in Annapolis

4:50-5:00 Public Comment**

5:00 PM Adjourn

*The Preliminary agenda is subject to change

**Public comment as time allows

Handouts: [Agenda](#), [NRP Activity Update](#), [ASMFC Annual Meeting Schedule web link](#), [ASMFC Striped Bass Stock Assessment Summary Report web link](#), [Draft Striped Bass FMP Review Report](#), [Regulatory Update](#), and [Regulatory Scoping Documents](#).