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REGISTRATION

All meetings are open to the public free of charge. However, if you plan on attending any of the Annual Meeting social events (Monday Reception, Tuesday Dinner, Wednesday Hart Award Luncheon, and spouse/guest activities), please help us prepare for these events by registering TODAY. It's easy, just click [here](#) to begin. Remember, no payment is necessary until you arrive at the meeting.

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

The agenda is subject to change. The agenda reflects the current estimate of time required for

scheduled Board meetings. The Commission may adjust this agenda in accordance with the actual duration of Board meetings. Interested parties should anticipate Boards starting earlier or later than indicated herein.

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Public Comment Guidelines

With the intent of developing policies in the Commission's procedures for public participation that result in a fair opportunity for public input, the ISFMP Policy Board has approved the following guidelines for use at management board meetings:

For issues that are not on the agenda, management boards will continue to provide opportunity to the public to bring matters of concern to the board's attention at the start of each board meeting. Board chairs will use a speaker sign-up list in deciding how to allocate the available time on the agenda (typically 10 minutes) to the number of people who want to speak.

For topics that are on the agenda, but have not gone out for public comment, board chairs will provide limited opportunity for comment, taking into account the time allotted on the agenda for the topic. Chairs will have flexibility in deciding how to allocate comment opportunities; this could include hearing one comment in favor and one in opposition until the chair is satisfied further comment will not provide additional insight to the board.

For agenda action items that have already gone out for public comment, it is the Policy Board's intent to end the occasional practice of allowing extensive and lengthy public comments. Currently, board chairs have the discretion to decide what public comment to allow in these circumstances.

In addition, the following timeline has been established for the **submission of written comment for issues for which the Commission has NOT established a specific public comment period** (i.e., in response to proposed management action).

1. Comments received 3 weeks prior to the start of a meeting (Monday, October 7, 2013) will be included on the briefing CD.
2. Comments received by 5:00 PM on the Tuesday immediately preceding the scheduled ASMFC Meeting (in this case, the Tuesday deadline will be **October 22, 2013**) will be distributed electronically to Commissioners/Board members prior to the meeting and a limited number of copies will be provided at the meeting.
3. Following the Tuesday, October 22, 2013, 5:00 PM deadline, the commenter will be responsible for distributing the information to the management board prior to the board meeting or providing enough copies for the management board consideration at the meeting (a minimum of 50 copies).

The submitted comments must clearly indicate the commenter's expectation from the ASMFC staff regarding distribution. As with other public comment, it will be accepted via mail, fax, and email.

Monday, October 28

8:30 - 9:30 AM

Atlantic Herring Section

9:45 - 11:45 AM **American Lobster Management Board**

12:45 - 2:45 PM **Business Session (Strategic and Action Planning)**

1:00 - 5:30 PM **Management & Science Committee**

3:00 - 5:00 PM **Atlantic Menhaden Management Board**

6:00 - 8:00 PM **Welcome Reception**

Tuesday, October 29

8:00 AM - Noon **Management & Science Committee (continued)**

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM **Atlantic Coastal Fish Habitat Partnership (ACFHP) Steering Committee**

8:30 AM - Noon **Atlantic Striped Bass Management Board**

12:15 - 2:15 PM **Legislators and Governors' Appointees Luncheon**

2:15 - 4:15 PM **Atlantic Coastal Cooperative Statistics Program (ACCSP) Executive Committee (a portion of this meeting will be a closed session)**

2:30 - 4:00 PM **Summer Flounder, Scup and Black Sea Bass Management Board**

4:15 - 5:15 PM **ACCSP Coordinating Council**

5:45 - 9:00 PM **Annual Dinner**

Wednesday, October 30

7:30 - 9:30 AM **Executive Committee (a portion of this meeting will be a closed session)**

8:00 - 11:00 AM **ACFHP Steering Committee (continued)**

8:30 AM - 5:00 PM **Law Enforcement Committee (a portion of this meeting will be a closed session)**

9:00 AM - Noon **American Eel Management Board**

12:15 - 1:30 PM **Captain David H. Hart Award Luncheon**

1:30 - 2:30 PM **American Eel Management Board (continued)**

2:30 - 6:00 PM Habitat Committee

2:45 - 5:45 PM Interstate Fisheries Management Program (ISFMP) Policy Board

5:45 - 6:00 PM Business Session (Election of Officers)

Thursday, October 31

8:00 - 10:00 AM Spiny Dogfish & Coastal Sharks Management Board

8:00 AM - 1:00 PM Habitat Committee (continued)

10:15 AM - 12:15 PM Horseshoe Crab Management Board

12:30 - 1:00 PM ISFMP Policy Board (continued if necessary)

1:00 - 1:30 PM Business Session (continued if necessary)