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MEETING OF THE MD DNR ARTIFICIAL REEF COMMITTEE

Thursday, March 10, 2011, 6:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M.
Tawes State Office Building, C-1 Conference Room
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DRAFT-MOTIONS AND ACTIONS

ARC Members in attendance: Chairman Monty Hawkins, Vice-Chairman David Dansberger, MARI Treasurer Ed Liccione, Stephanie Westby, Richard "Dickie" Webster, Doldon Moore, David Sutherland, Tom Humbles, Greg Madjeski, Curtis Johns, Jamey Danford, Bill Huppert, Norman McCullough, Karl Willey, Brian Keehn, Dick Berich, Drew Payne (Proxy for Tom Ireland).

ARC Members not in attendance: Gail Blazer, Tom Ireland, Gary Setzer, Clint Waters, Mark Galasso, Bruno Vasta, Darryl Del Pino.

Motions:

Motion – By Bill Huppert to officially name new artificial reef site off Calvert Cliffs in honor of Lefty Kreh. Motion seconded by Norm McCullough. Vote: All in favor, none opposed. Motion passes unanimously.

Actions:

Action Item – Ed L - Unanimous consensus from ARC on the proposal of putting a MARI donation option on Maryland fishing license applications, when new COMPASS system is implemented. DNR staff advised after the ARC meeting to put this on as a formal agenda item at April SFAC meeting. (March SFAC meeting agenda was full).

Action Item – Upper Bay Projects – More than 200K has been allocated to reef projects in the upper Bay (North of Bay Bridge). Need to figure out best way to spend the funds.

- Simkin's Dam material – site location still being discussed. Bill Goldsborough will be invited to next ARC meeting to give his presentation. (Unable to attend 3/10)
- Ferry Point – Erik Z to obtain bids from Langenfelder's Marine to move NSA pavers in storage to Ferry Point site (estimated amount of material is 22,935 square feet, or 0.5 acres)
- Love Point – some hard bottom remains open for material. EZ to obtain bids for moving pavers from Langenfelder's and deploying at Love Pt. (*Note-other materials of opportunity or quarry rock could also be used at this site.)

- Hail Cove - Erik Z to get bids from Vulcan Rock for transport to Hail Cove Site.
- Elk Neck Project-MD Bass Federation is looking for funding for a stone breakwater project around the Elk Neck boat ramp. This would benefit all upper Bay largemouth bass anglers and boaters and will provide fish habitat. Also may provide a local economic boost with bass tournaments. Dick Berich will write a formal letter to ARC explaining the project and funding needs.

Action Item - Long term monitoring plan for MARI Reefs – Erik Z will re-visit monitoring plan that was developed by Kent Carlson.

Action Item – new MARI Brochure printing-Chairman Hawkins requested that Friday, March 18 be final deadline to any changes in MARI brochure drafts. One smaller printing (500-1000 copies?) should be done now, then a second, larger printing in October which incorporates USS Radford deployment.

Next ARC meeting date proposed for April 7th, 6-9PM. ARC approved this date, however, EZ has learned that Bill Goldsborough and Karl Willey from CBF will be out-of-state on that day. EZ would like to accommodate Bill so that he can give his Simkin's Dam material presentation. Can we move the meeting date to week of April 11-14?