

Martin O'Malley, Governor Anthony G. Brown, Lt. Governor Joseph P. Gill, Secretary Frank W. Dawson III, Deputy Secretary

Meeting of the MD DNR Artificial Reef Committee (ARC)
MARI Monitoring and Angler Logbook Survey
Webinar/Phone Conference
Wednesday, July 18, 2013
4:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

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ARC Members in Attendance: Doldon Moore (BPW), Ed Liccione (MARI Treasurer/CCA), Vice-Chairman Dave Dansberger (Rec Fishing Community, Upper Bay), Norm McCullough (MD Hydronauts), David Sutherland (USFWS), Chairman Monty Hawkins (OCRF).

DNR-Fisheries Staff in Attendance: Erik Zlokovitz, Karen Knotts, Linda Barker

Motions:

Motion by MARI Treasurer Ed Liccione, Second by Chairman Monty Hawkins. The ARC will use MARI funds, not to exceed \$4,000, to fund a volunteer angler logbook survey on 5 selected MARI artificial reef sites and five comparison sites. Motion passed with all in favor, 0 against, 0 abstained.

Actions:

- DNR Staff will follow up with Frank Dawson regarding ARC's statement that the Department committed to allocate \$500,000 in monitoring funds. A spreadsheet summarizing expenditures of \$411,000 to Woodrow Wilson Bridge project contractors will be provided to ARC. These MARI funds had previously been set aside for monitoring, but with ARC approval (at a briefing in early December, 2007), were redirected to complete the transport and deployment of material from the Woodrow Wilson Bridge.
- DNR Staff will continue to provide updates on the upcoming Bill Burton reef ball project (starting 8/14-8/15) and will work with Vice-chairman Dansberger to set up meeting with Talbot/Dorchester schools to identify any opportunities for student involvement.
- DNR Staff will follow up with ARC members on status of the following artificial reef projects: Hail Cove (with USFWS), Middle Grounds proposed site.

Next Meeting – October 30, 2013 (Wednesday), 2-5 PM in the Tawes State Office Building, Annapolis, MD.