



Martin O'Malley, Governor
Anthony G. Brown, Lt. Governor
John R. Griffin, Secretary
Joseph P. Gill, Deputy Secretary

Joint Meeting of the MD DNR Sport Fish and Tidal Fisheries Advisory Commissions
May 17, 2011
Phillip Merrill Environmental Center
Chesapeake Bay Foundation
Annapolis, MD 21401

Commissioners Present:

SFAC - Dave Smith, Deby Blum (Proxy for Carol Stevenson), Bill Windley (Vice Chair), Herb Smith, Brandon White, Roger Trageser, Dave Sikorski, Dr. Ray Morgan, Ed O'Brien, Larry Coburn, Greg Jetton, James Wommack, Bill Goldsborough, Jim Gracie

Commissioners Not Present: Val Lynch

TFAC – Jack Brooks (Chairman), Russell Dize (proxy for Vice Chairman Larry Simns), Russell Dukes, Greg Price, Steve Gordon, Andrea Jacquette, Moochie Gilmer, Bob Evans (proxy for J.R. Gross), Gibby Dean, John Van Alstine, Mike Benjamin, Brian Keehn, Billy Rice, Richard Young, Bill Goldsborough

Motions & Actions

TFAC Motion by Russell Dukes for the TFAC to adopt the female crab harvest option preferred by the Blue Crab Industry Workgroup (2nd option), 2nd by Moochie Gilmer
Vote: 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstain. Motion carries.

TFAC Motion by Brian Keehn to maintain Maryland's commercial striped bass allocation (among gear types) for 2011 at status quo. 2nd by Bill Goldsborough. 4 in favor, 11 opposed. Motion fails.

TFAC Motion by Bob Evans to adopt the Maryland commercial reallocation recommendation (among gear types) by the commercial striped bass industry workgroup for the 2011 commercial striped fishery. 2nd by Russell Dukes. 11 in favor, 4 opposed. 0 abstentions. Motion carries.

SFAC Motion by Dave Sikorski to maintain Maryland's commercial striped bass allocation (among gear types) for 2011 at status quo (what was done in 2010). 2nd by Brandon White. 13 in favor. 0 opposed. 1 Abstention. Motion carries.

TFAC Motion to allow commercial Hook & Line on Fridays by Gibby Dean, 2nd by Russell Dize. 13 in favor, 2 opposed, 0 abstentions. Motion carries.

SFAC motion by Dave Smith to not allow commercial hook and line fishing on Fridays and not allow commercial hook and line fishing till sunset. 2nd by Brandon White. 9 in favor, 1 opposed, 3 abstentions. Motion carries.

TFAC Motion to adopt commercial striped bass industry work group's recommendation to adopt daily/weekly poundage limits of 500 lbs per day/1500 per week by Russell Dukes, 2nd by Gibby Dean. 15 in favor, 0 opposed, 0 abstentions. Motion carries.

TFAC Motion to accept commercial striped bass work group's recommendation to accept extension to allow fishing sunset by Billy Rice to accept, 2nd by Mike Benjamin. 13 in favor, 2 opposed. Motion carries.

TFAC Motion to adopt commercial striped bass industry work group' recommendation for H&L and pound net tagging requirements by Bob Evans, 2nd by Gibby Dean. 12 in favor, 3 opposed. 0 abstentions.

Action Item for SFAC: an update will be delivered by e mail to update the SFAC on the status of outreach on coastal, recreational sport fish license sales.

