

CHESAPEAKE BAY COMMISSION

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Agenda APEAKE BAY COMMISSION MEETING Port Isobel Island Tangier, Virginia September 4-5, 2014

Thursday, September 4

STARTING LOCATION

1) Somers Cove Marina 2) Smith Point Marina Crisfield, Maryland Reedville, Virginia (Those needing accommodations for Wednesday night will leave from Crisfield)

MEETING LOCATION

Chesapeake Bay Foundation Port Isobel Island Education Center Tangier, Virginia

9:00 A.M. Reedville, Virginia: Depart on CBF Boat from Smith Point Marina

9:30 A.M. Crisfield, Maryland: Depart on the *Loni Carol II* from Somers Cove Marina.

10:30 A.M. Arrive at Port Isobel Island and settle in.

11:00 A.M. WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER

Representative Ron Miller, Chair

ROLL CALL

11:05 A.M. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

ADOPTIONS/MODIFICATION OF AGENDA APPROVAL OF 2015 CBC MEETING LOCATIONS

ORIENTATION TO THE DAY

11:15 A.M. ENVIRONMENTAL LITERACY—A Primer

Sarah Bodor

Director of Education Outreach, Chesapeake Bay Foundation

11:30 A.M. CRABS, OYSTERS & STRIPED BASS — Status and Management Actions

Bill Goldsborough

Fisheries Program Director, Chesapeake Bay Foundation

12:00 P.M. LUNCH

1:00 P.M. ASSEMBLE FOR AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES

Baker Lodge

1:15 P.M. FIELD ACTIVITIES

Joined by fisheries managers, scientists and Bay Foundation senior staff, we will spend the afternoon on two Bay workboats collecting the three main Bay indicators found in this part of the Bay by using the same harvesting tools the watermen use every day.

OYSTER DREDGING

Review of ecological importance and progress towards restoration goals

CRAB POTTING

Review of current harvest techniques

SAV SCRAPING

Review of ecological importance and function as indicators of achievement of Chesapeake Bay water quality goals

4:15 P.M. RETURN TO PORT ISOBEL & BREAK

4:45 P.M. FISHERIES ENFORCEMENT

Protecting Public and Private Investment

Tom O'Connell, Fisheries Service Director, MD DNR Martin Gary, Executive Secretary, Potomac River Fisheries Commission John Bull, Commissioner of Marine Resources, Virginia Marine Resources Commission

5:45 P.M DISCUSSION WITH TANGIER LEADERSHIP

Ooker Eskridge, Tangier Island Mayor

6:30 P.M. BEST OF THE BAY OYSTERS

A tasting to determine which region of the Bay really does produce the very best oysters!

7:30 P.M. DINNER

Prepared Island Style by Tangier Island Resident Carol Moore

8:30 P.M. BONFIRE AND FELLOWSHIP

Ideas, Strategic Direction and Insights welcome!

Friday, September 5

LOCATION

The Chesapeake Bay Foundation Education Center Port Isobel Island Tangier, Virginia

6:00 A.M. SUNRISE APPRECIATION (Optional – Please sign up at dinner)

Sunrise on the Islands is the perfect time of day to witness the Bay at its fullest wonder. You will have optional activities available to you to take advantage of this magnificent time of day.

CANOE: Canoe the shallow sea grass beds surrounding Tangier with CBF Education Staff

FISH: Try to catch a rockfish

ISLAND BIRD WALK: Search for wildlife and spectacular sunrise vistas with avid birder Ann Jennings, CBF's Virginia Director.

8:00 A.M. BREAKFAST DELEGATION MEETINGS TANGIER ISLAND

9:00 A.M. CHESAPEAKE BAY COMMISSION FY14 AUDIT REPORT

Representative Ron Miller, Chair

9:15 A.M. SUPPORTING THE NEW BAY AGREEMENT

Staying Our Course while Expanding Our Reach

- Phosphorus
- Verification
- Management Strategies
- Membership
- Local Government/Legislative Leadership

Facilitators: Ann Swanson, Executive Director, Chesapeake Bay Commission

Kim Coble, Vice President, Chesapeake Bay Foundation

11:00 A.M. ADJOURN AND PACK UP

11:30 A.M. **DEPART**

Packed lunches will be provided for participants during your travel back to the mainland.

12:30 P.M. ARRIVE IN CRISFIELD, MD

1:00 P.M. ARRIVE IN REEDVILLED, VA

The next meeting of the Chesapeake Bay Commission will be held at Williamsport, PA on November 6-7, 2014.

