

## **Sustainable Fisheries GIT Executive Committee Meeting**

Minutes for August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 from 1:00-3:00pm

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Webinar: [http://chesapeake1.adobeconnect.com/fisheries\\_git\\_excomm/](http://chesapeake1.adobeconnect.com/fisheries_git_excomm/)

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**In Attendance:** Peyton Robertson, Tom O’Connell, Bryan King, Bob Beal, Joe Grist, Bruce Vogt, Nancy Butowski, Richard McEntee, Doreen Vetter, Karl Blankenship, Jack Frye, Daniel Ryan, Adam Davis

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### **Presentation:**

#### **ChesapeakeStat** (15 min; 5 min Q&A)

- Richard McEntee presented a PowerPoint on the utility of *ChesapeakeStat*. Following the PowerPoint, he walked through the live online version of the website.
    - Discussion began over the content that has been put into *ChesapeakeStat*. The fisheries content is misleading and needs to be fixed. If the information on each GITs section of the website is *their* content, then each GIT should have final say in what is published on their page.
    - Potential pages:
      - “Where are the crabs in the Bay?”
      - Oyster restoration by tributary
    - **Action:** Bruce and Adam with work with Doreen and Richard to improve the *ChesapeakeStat* content.
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### **Decisional**

#### **Chesapeake Bay Program (CBP) Blueprint:**

- Peyton walked through why the Chesapeake Bay Program is revising their indicators and framework for decision making and adaptive management.
  - **Handout:** *GIT Goals and Objectives Combined (v7).pdf*
    - Consensus was that the goals represent the GITs current focus, but need to have more foresight and specificity.
    - **Action:** Bruce and Adam will rework the Fisheries GIT’s goals and distribute around to the Executive Committee for approval.
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### **EBFM?**

- Discussion on what to do about the uncertainty of the FEW and their work on developing indicators of EBFM for the Chesapeake Bay
  - **Action:**
    - Reach out to Jon Kramer to discuss situation
    - Try to identify a “champion” to continue EBFM efforts
    - Look for short term management applications (including analysis of FEP for ideas)
    - Look for more cross-GIT topics that will benefit fisheries
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### **December Meeting Logistics:**

- Location Options:
  - DDOE Conference Room
  - Waterfront Location
  - DC Convention Center
  - National Harbor

- Agenda Topics?
  - Idea was to look for some broader topics to encourage increased attendance and participation from GIT members
    - Oysters, Brook Trout, River Herring, Land Use
- Field Trip Ideas:
  - Land Use → Wastewater Treatment Plant and/or Sewage Overflows
- **Action:** Set up a Steering Committee to help with meeting logistics (site selection, agenda preparation, communications, etc.)
  - Bryan King and Bob Beal offered staff help
  - Send staff support names to Adam and Bruce

### **Invasive Catfish Policy**

- Adam has developed a draft Invasive Catfish policy adoption statement
  - **Action:** Looking for examples to refine draft
- **Action:** Bruce and Bryan will discuss the Public Outreach Document on Thursday (8/25)
- **Action:** Adam will distribute the response letter to the American Sportfishing Association to the Executive Committee

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### **Informational**

#### **CBSAC Tasking:**

- Handout: *CBSAC Tasks and Charge (v7).pdf*
- **Action:** Send 'Tasks and Charge' document to CBSAC so they can begin work

#### **Next Fisheries GIT Executive Committee Meeting:**

- September 19<sup>th</sup> from 1:00-3:00pm